



Alabama State Scholastic Chess Championships

March 24 & 25, 2018

**University of South Alabama
307 N University Blvd
Mobile, AL 36688**

EVENT	Team Championship	Individual Championship
DATE	Saturday, March 24, 2018	Sunday, March 25, 2018
SECTIONS (may be merged for pairings but not trophies)	Open (K-12), Jr. High (K-9), Elementary (K-6), Elementary Club, Primary (K-3), and Primary Club	Open (K-12), Open Under-1000, Jr. High (K-8), Jr. High Under-800, Elementary (K-6), Elementary (4-6) Under-600, and Primary (K-3)
PRIZES	<p><u>Primary & Elementary Scholastic Sections</u> Trophies to top 3 teams.</p> <p><u>Primary & Elementary Club Sections</u> Trophies to top 2 teams.</p> <p><u>Jr. High & Open Sections</u> Trophies to top 2 schools and 1 top club team.</p>	Trophies to top 5 Alabama students each section. Tied scores for Jr High & Open Championship trophies will be decided by blitz playoff; all other trophy awards by standard tiebreakers.
ENTRY FEE	\$50 per team by 3/15; \$100 after.	\$25 (\$55 family) by 3/15, \$35 by 3/20, \$60 after
EARLY REGISTRATION	Early registration forms and fees must be postmarked by March 15, 2018 . For online Registration and Payment refer to www.alabamachess.org starting February 01, 2018. Questions: Balagee.Govindan@AlabamaChess.org	
MEMBERSHIPS REQUIRED	<p>1) US Chess Federation membership. (Obtain memberships / renewals at www.uschess.org where you can print out a temporary ID card.) Events USCF-rated.</p> <p>2) Alabama Chess Federation membership (other states OK). (Obtain memberships / Renewals at www.alabamachess.org; Paypal receipt is proof of membership.)</p>	
SCHEDULE	<p style="text-align: center;">Mandatory Players Meeting: 9:45 a.m. both days</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Round times for Open & Jr. High Championship Sections: 10:00, 12:45, 2:30, 4:15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Round times for All Other Sections: 10:00, 11:15, 1:30, 2:45, 4:00 (5th round Sun. only)</p>	
TIME CONTROL	Open & Jr. High Championship : Game/45d5 All other sections : Game/30d5	
ON-SITE REGISTRATION	8:30 – 9 a.m. New entries accepted after 9:00, but with a first round forfeit.	
TEAM TOURNAMENT RULES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4-board team vs. team, match-point scoring • Substitutions must preserve board-order with alternate on 4th board • A participant can play for only a single team • Multiple teams (“A”, “B”, etc.) OK. • Sections may be combined at TD discretion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All members of a team must be grade-eligible for section entered and represent a school or ACF affiliate. • Team participants must meet school or club participation criteria posted on our home page www.alabamachess.org. (No ringers)
OTHER RULES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keeping score required in Open, Jr. High & Elementary sections • All Open Championship section players must turn in a reasonably complete scoresheet • Keeping score optional (but encouraged) in all Primary sections 	
Credits	Organizer: Alabama Chess Federation Sponsors: ACF, University of South Alabama	