



Alabaster Scholastic

Chess Tournament Report
5 MAR 2011

Thompson Intermediate School * Alabaster, AL

The Thompson Intermediate School - Warrior Chess Club held the 3rd Annual Alabaster Scholastic on Saturday, March 5th. It was a rainy, cold day. However, for 70 eager chess students, it was a great day to be pushing pawns and checkmating kings.

The children represented several public and private schools from cross the Shelby County Schools and metro Birmingham area schools. We also had players from Ellenwood and Alpharetta, Georgia - to participate. For most of the players, this was their first chess tournament. They all played some fun, competitive chess games.

We are truly thankful that Thompson Intermediate School (Dr. Ke' Andrea Jones, Principal and Mrs. Susan Mitchell, GRC/Chess Coordinator) hosted to the Alabaster Scholastic again. Their continuous support for chess in Alabaster is greatly appreciated.

On March 26th, we will be playing chess at the Academy Scholastic tournament at John Herbert Phillips Academy in downtown Birmingham. For more information about chess events in the metro Birmingham area, send an email to: CaesarChess@yahoo.com.

The 2011 Alabaster Scholastic Individual Winners:

Knight (Rated; K-6) Section:

- 1st: Logan Mercer, Advent Chess Club – 4.5 points.
- 2nd: John Lawrence, Advent Chess Club – 3.5 points.
- 3rd: Omar Daniels, Ellenwood, GA – 3 points.
- 4th: Dustin Chumley, Country Knights Chess Club – 3 points.
- 5th: Eric Wang, Chess Kids Nation Chess Club – 3 points.
- 6th: Spencer Robinson, Advent Chess Club – 2.5 points.

Elementary (Not Rated; K-3) Section:

- 1st: Neil Furman, Caesar Chess at Valley – 5 points.
- 2nd: Aidan Ganesh, Caesar Chess at Valley – 3.5 points.
- 3rd: Abby Camlic, Caesar Chess at Valley – 3.5 points.
- 4th: James Shi, Magic City Chess U – 3 points.
- 5th: Joey Peaspanen, Country Knights Chess Club – 3 points.
- 6th: Neal Carlson, Advent Chess Club – 2.5 points

Intermediate (Not Rated; K-5) Section:

- 1st: Easan Ganesh, Valley Intermediate Chess Club – 5 points.
- 2nd: Will McAvoy, South Shades Crest Elementary – 4.5 points.
- 3rd: Kyle Camlic, Valley Intermediate Chess Club – 4 points.
- 4th: Brandon Hampton, Helena Intermediate Chess Club – 4 points.
- 5th: Rob Elia, Oak Mtn Intermediate Chess Club – 4 points.
- 6th: Jackson Nolen, Thompson Intermediate Chess Club – 3.5 points.

Middle (Not Rated; K-8):

- 1st: Wesley Brown, Thompson Middle Chess Club – 5 points.
- 2nd: Isaac Barnett, Thompson Middle Chess Club – 2.5 points.
- 3rd: Luke Perry, Evangel Classical Christian Chess Club – 1.5 points.
- 4th: Katie Stahlhut, Country Knights Chess Club – 1 point.

The 2011 Alabaster Scholastic Team Winners:

Elementary (Not Rated; K-3):

Team: Caesar Chess at Valley – 1st Place

Players: Neil Furman, Abby Camlic and Aidan Ganesh.

Coach: Caesar Lawrence

Team: Country Knights Chess Club – 2nd Place

Players: Joey Peaspanen, Aaron Chumley, Colin Nutting,
and Nathan Holland. Coach: Pedro Pino

Intermediate (Not Rated; K-5):

Team: Valley Intermediate Chess Club – 1st Place

Players: Easan Ganesh, Kyle Camlic, Adam Camlic and Ramsey Finch.

Coach: Caesar Lawrence

Team: Country Knights Chess Club – 2nd Place

Players: Caleb Martin, Dalton Findley, Janae Bethea and Caleb Powers.

Coach: Pedro Pino

Middle (Not Rated; K-8):

Team: Thompson Middle School – 1st Place

Players: Wesley Brown and Isaac Barnett

Coach: Caesar Lawrence

Team: Evangel Classical Christian School – 2nd Place

Player: Luke Perry

Coach: Landon McGee

Knight (Rated; K-6):

Team: Advent Chess Club – 1st Place

Players: Logan Mercer, John Lawrence and Spencer Robinson

Coach: Michael Ciamarra and David Kwong

Team: North Georgia Chess Center – 2nd Place

Players: Samhitha Dasari, Asfreen Anjum and Srihitha Dasari

Coach: Joseph Couvillion

Chief Tournament Director: **Caesar Lawrence**

Assistant Tournament Directors: Susan Mitchell, Mark Stribling and Shyam Dasari

Sponsor: Caesar Chess: www.CaesarChess.com

Attendance: 69 Players (10 in Rated Section and 59 in Not Rated Sections)

USCF Rating Report: <http://main.uschess.org/msa/XtblMain.php?201103051581>