

2019 Lancaster-Lebanon Elementary Chess Tournament

Tournament Director: Tom Magar, USCF National Master

TEAM PRIZES

1 st Place Team	New Holland Elementary School	Team Score: 3½ 13	
2 nd Place Team	Veritas Academy	Team Score: 3 ½ 12 ½	
3 rd Place Team	Bear Creek School	Team Score: 3 12	

BOARD WINNERS

BOARD 1 WINNER	BOARD 2 WINNER	BOARD 3 WINNER	BOARD 4 WINNER	Alternate Player
Patrick D. Veritas Academy	Logan S. New Holland Dean B. Resurrection Catholic	Sienna T. Bear Creek	Jonathan D. New Holland	Carlos B. Hinkletown Mennonite Bryce G. Cocalico

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

Bear Creek School
Blue Ball Elementary School
Brecknock Elementary School
Buchanan Elementary School
Cocalico Elementary School
Hinkletown Mennonite School
Lancaster Country Day School
LMS – Locust Grove
Manheim Central Middle School
Martin K-8 School

Montessori Academy of Lancaster
New Holland Elementary School
Our Mother of Perpetual Help
Pequea Valley
Price Elementary School
Resurrection Catholic School
St. Anne School
Susquehanna Waldorf School
Thomas Wharton Elementary School
Veritas Academy

Total Student Participation: 97

Educational resources were raffled off and given to four participating schools. Each student received a Certificate of Participation with an IU13 raised seal.

~ Student Reflections ~

What do you like about playing chess?

- t's really fun, and it teaches me to think far ahead while I also stay in the moment.
- I like how it feels when you win and what you learn when you lose.
- I like how you meet new people and how you learn new things.
- It makes you think outside the box.
- It is a fun and formal game.
- I like seeing other people's strategies.
- I like how much more complicated it is than checkers. You need to use more skill and think ahead.
- It is fun and it helps me focus on my surroundings.
- The joy of winning and having fun.

What did you learn from this chess tournament?

- ❖ I learned to have fun in desperate times and to make friends.
- ❖ Your score placement matters on the other team's scoring too.
- ❖ I would have liked to win a little more, but I had a great time.
- I would like to have more girls (like me) playing chess. The boys overran the whole thing.
- I learned not to sacrifice large pieces for small ones.
- Never quit and try your hardest.
- Don't get mad when you lose, and show good sportsmanship always.
- There are a lot more chess players than I thought.
- Think before you move and watch your opponent's moves.
- I'm not very good yet, but I am still learning.

How does chess help you in school?

- One way that playing chess can help me in school is that it is intellectually stimulating and helps my mind think more.
- t helps me think before I act.
- I think it helps me work with someone and always keeps my brain working.
- thelps me learn to follow steps.
- It helps you think about your decisions.
- It helps me think slowly.
- It teaches me strategy and a different kind of thinking.
- It makes me more observant and logical.
- It makes my brain stronger.
- It helps your brain get into a thinking mindset.
- It improves my problem solving.
- Chess helps to sharpen your brain.
- It helps me make friends.
- You have to think for a long time before you move.
- It helps me make wise choices in school.

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Final Standings

NEW HOLLAND won first place in the tournament. **VERITAS ACADEMY** won second place in the tournament. **BEAR CREEK** won third place in the tournament.

Each team received a trophy plus a medal for each team member and coach.

TEAM	MATCH POINTS	GAME POINTS
New Holland Elementary School	3 1/2	13
Veritas Academy	3 1/2	12 ½
Bear Creek School	3	12
Resurrection Catholic School	3	10
Buchannan Elementary School	3	9 ½
LMS – Locust Grove	2 1/2	9
Hinkletown Mennonite School	2 1/2	8 ½
Brecknock Elementary School	2	9
Montessori Academy of Lancaster	2	7 ½
Price Elementary School	2	7 ½
Manheim Central	2	7 ½
Lancaster Country Day School	2	6 ½
Thomas Wharton Elementary School	1 1/2	8
Blue Ball Elementary School	1 1/2	8
Cocalico Elementary School	1 1/2	7
Our Mother of Perpetual Help	1 1/2	6 ½
Susquehanna Waldorf School	1	6 ½
Pequea Valley	1	5
St. Anne School	1/2	4 1/2
Martin K-8 School	1/2	2

TEAMS HAVE VARYING DEGREES OF EXPERIENCE AND ARE ALL CONGRATULATED FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION AND SPORTSMANSHIP. CHESS IS A GAME FOR EVERYONE!