



2024 Lancaster-Lebanon Middle School Chess Tournament

Tournament Director: Mr. Jere Cassidy

TOTAL STUDENT PARTICIPATION: 92

Each student received a Certificate of Participation

Winning Teams

1 st Place Team	Hempfield – Landisville Middle School & Centerville Middle School	Team Score: 4.0 13.5
2 nd Place Team	Monarchs – Veritas Academy	Team Score: 4.0 13.0
3 rd Place Team	CAPTU – Donegal Junior High School	Team Score: 3.0 11.5

Board Winners

BOARD 1 WINNERS	BOARD 2 WINNER	BOARD 3 WINNER	BOARD 4 WINNER	ALTERNATE PLAYER
Paul M. Monarchs	Connie L. New Holland Spartans	Declan G. Hempfield	Andriel T. Bright Blazers	Jace B. Pioneers
Atticus T. Hempfield	Elliot L. Trail Blazers	Jackson K. Monarchs		

Participating Schools

Bright Blazers Blue Knights CAPTU Checkmate Crew Cougars- Grey Cougars- Maroon Fool's Mate Hempfield Landis Run Knights Monarchs	New Holland Spartans Nighty Knights No Checks Accepted Pioneers Queen's Sacrifice Raiders The Boys The Rooks Trail Blazers We're Checking You Out!
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Final Standings

Hempfield (Hempfield Landisville Middle School & Centerville Middle School) won first place in the tournament.

Monarchs (Veritas Academy) won second place in the tournament.

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

TEAM	MATCH POINTS	GAME POINTS
Hempfield	4.0	13.5
Monarchs	4.0	13
CAPTU	3.0	11.5
Nighty Knights	3.0	11.5
Bright Blazers	3.0	10.5
The Rooks	2.0	10
Pioneers	2.0	8.5
New Holland Spartans	2.0	8.5
The Boys	2.0	8
No Checks Accepted	2.0	7.5
Raiders	2.0	6.5
Landis Run Knights	2.0	6.5
Cougars- Maroon	1.5	8
Trail Blazers	1.5	7.5
Fools Mate	1.5	7
I'm Checking You Out!	1.5	5.5
Blue Knights	1.0	4.5
Cougars- Grey	1.0	4
Queen's Sacrifice	0.5	4.5
Checkmate Crew	0.5	4

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

~ Student Reflections ~

What did you learn from this chess tournament?

- ❖ Don't get tunnel vision, take your time.
- ❖ I learned good manners in professional chess.
- ❖ I like how it's like a puzzle, and the rush from winning.
- ❖ Taking your time is very important and it would probably be good to learn more than one opening.
- ❖ Don't give up.
- ❖ Chess can increase your attention span and concentration.
- ❖ It is challenging, but fun.
- ❖ I learned that there is a "touch move" rule.
- ❖ I learned about the touch rule, and I learned the importance of good sportsmanship.
- ❖ Take my time and look for good moves.

What do you like about playing chess?

- ❖ Chess is fun and it helps me exercise my brain.
- ❖ I think chess is fun because it can be played casually with a friend, or you can compete formally.
- ❖ I like the critical thinking and concentration that it takes to play.
- ❖ Chess makes you use your brain in challenging situations.
- ❖ I like that chess is simple to learn, yet complex to master.
- ❖ The atmosphere when you play chess. You think hard and strategically, and you meet cool people while playing chess. I respect that.
- ❖ I like how theoretical chess is and how it requires a lot of intellectual processing rather than luck.
- ❖ I love trying to outsmart the opponents.
- ❖ All the pieces have a different job.

How does chess help you in school?

- ❖ Chess helps me think and focus.
- ❖ It helps improve my skills of thinking ahead.
- ❖ It helps me think out of the box and focus in school.
- ❖ Chess helps you stay sharp.
- ❖ It helps me work on my strategic skills and with thinking clearly.
- ❖ I can be calmer under pressure.

**A sincere thank you to Jere Cassidy who helped make this tournament
a wonderful experience for everyone.**

