

We have new players at almost every tournament. The players have a great time and enjoy the events. Chess is self leveling such that after a few rounds the players are playing someone close to their ability level which is good to help the kids strive to improve. Feel free to drop by just to see one of our tournaments.

How to Join USCF to get ready for a Tournament

Each player that wants to compete in the tournament needs to join the United State Chess Federation. This is the national organization that establishes rating for players all over the US.

- 1) go to USCF (link www.uschess.org)
- 2) click the door on the left.
- 3) click *Join/Renew* (located in the upper right hand side of the screen)
- 4) click *No*
- 5) click *Scholastic*
- 6) select *Premium Scholastic Membership* for youth 12 and under
Premium Youth memberships for youth between 13 and 15
Premium Young Adult memberships for those between 15 and 24
- 7) scroll down to fill out the form
- 8) scroll down to click *Add to Shopping Cart*
- 9) after page refreshes then scroll to bottom to click *Review Order and Checkout*
- 10) click *Proceed to Checkout*
- 11) fill in -Membership Appreciation Program Credit: **A6028933** (the 0 is a zero)
- 12) click *Process Charge*
- 13) your USCF ID number will come up on the screen- print this page or just make note of the number.

How to Find Tournaments

To Find tournament around the NC Triangle Area go to www.ChessAchieves.com

To Find tournaments around North Carolina go to www.ncchess.org