You're invited to a Scholastic **Chess Tournament**

(open to all students K-12, any school district)

Scholastic chess tournaments offer an excellent opportunity to strengthen your playing ability or engage in learning the game through competitive play. And yes, have fun too.

This tournament is offered at Foxview Intermediate School in De Pere on **Saturday**, **Nov. 9**th. See 2nd page for details.

For additional tournaments in Wisconsin click here http://www.wisconsinscholasticchess.org/

The Benefits of Playing Chess from a Young Age

"According to research, Test scores improved by 17.3% for students regularly engaged in chess classes, compared with only 4.6% for children participating in other forms of enriched activities," states 4-time World Champion Susan Polgar in a recent interview. In approximately 30 nations across the globe, including Brazil, China, Venezuela, Italy, Israel, Russia and Greece, etc., chess is incorporated into the country's scholastic curriculum. Just as athletics are a part of the required agenda at schools in the United States, Chess has been that way in the European Nations abroad.

Click here to read more http://www.susanpolgar.com/susan-polgar-foundation-benefits.html

5 Reasons To Play Chess with Your Child

September 15, 2012 at 11:48 pm, by Nick Shell

I predict that the classic game of chess is about to get real relevant in American pop culture, especially for children. The book Microtrends explains that as a norm is established in modern society, a complimentary archaic version of that trend begins to surface to counter it. Some of us, who don't have nor want Internet on our phones, want to further unplug our lives from all the collective over-stimulation. Therefore, chess is officially becoming cool. And it's perfect for kids, despite any preconceived ideas you might have about it being as difficult as a child having to memorize their multiplication tables.

More... http://www.parents.com/blogs/dadabase/?p=15760

10 Big Brain Benefits of Playing Chess

- 1. It can raise your IQ
- 2. It helps prevent Alzheimer's
- 3. It exercises both sides of the brain
- 4. It increases your creativity
- 5. It improves your memory

- 6. It increases problem-solving skills
- 7. It improves reading skills
- 8. It improves concentration
- 9. It grows dendrites
- 10. It teaches planning and foresight

Click here for the article on these 10 big brain benefits...

http://www.chessvibes.com/reports/10-big-brain-benefits-of-playing-chess

A Wisconsin Scholastic Chess Federation Event

K-12 Chess Tournament

At Foxview Intermediate School

Saturday, November 9, 2013

Location: 650 S Michigan St., De Pere, WI 54115

Format: K-3, K-6 and K-12, Wisconsin rated. Six round Swiss G30.

Awards: K3: 1 team trophy, individual trophies to top 3 players and medals to all

K6: 1 team trophy, individual trophies to top 3 players and medals to all **K12**: 1 team trophy, individual trophies to top 3 players and medals to all

Award Ceremony around 3:00 pm if not before.

Entry: \$10 per player for advance registration, \$15 on-site registration.

Check-in from 8:00 to 8:40 am. Round 1 begins close to 9:00. Onsite registration for Round 1 ends at 8:30. Pre-registrants and on site registrations arriving after 8:40 can enter the tournament for Round 2. Please check in as early as possible. For advance registration, register online at www.wisconsinscholasticchess.org before 11:00 pm on Nov 7. Registration fee will be paid at the tournament. Make checks payable to WSCF.

Lunch: Available for purchase on-site.

Supervision: At least one designated adult supervisor must be present at all times during the tournament to oversee your school's team, or individual participants who are in K through 8th grade.

Bring: Pencils and clocks if you have them.

Questions: Contact WSCF at td@wisconsinscholasticchess.org or 262-573-5624 Carol Karls at ckarls@new.rr.com or Karen Milkie at dkmilkie@sbcglobal.net

Chess Notation: Strongly encouraged for those students 3rd grade and older.

Inclement Weather: If severe weather go to WSCF website after 7:00 am on the day of the tournament to see if tournament is delayed, postponed or canceled.