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Pan-American Youth Chess Championship 2023 United States of America

INVITATION

The Renaissance Knights Chess Foundation, the International Chess School, the Confederation of Chess for America (CCA) and the US Chess Federation Federation, are pleased to invite all National Chess Federations of the Americas to the XXXIII Pan-American Youth Chess Festival Open and Girls, from August 11 - 18, 2023 in Chicago, Illinois, USA.

Official Website: www.panamyouth2023.com

Hotel: Hyatt Regency McCormick Place - 2233 S Dr Martin Luther King Jr Dr, Chicago, Illinois 60616, USA

Playing Site: McCormick Place West, located across the street from the hotel

*This is the first time the event is being held in the United States of America and is taking place in one of the world's greatest cities unlike any other – **CHICAGO.***

The English text of these Tournament Regulations is the Official version





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I. PARTICIPANTS IN THE EVENT

Each National Federation may register as many players as they wish. All participants must be endorsed by their FIDE recognized national federations unless CCA President states otherwise.

OFFICIAL PLAYERS

Each Federation may register an Official Player for each of the 12 competitions that will be played in the event. They will also be considered Official Players (as defenders of their title) the champions of the different categories of the Pan American Festival of 2022 as well as the 2022 champions of the regional tournaments CAC, South America, and North America.

Official players must pay for their transportation to the hotel. The organization will be responsible for their board and lodging from dinner on August 11 to lunch on August 18 in the form of a shared sleeping room and a food stipend.

HEAD OF DELEGATION

Each participating Federation may register a Head of Delegation who must participate in technical meetings and coordination with the organization and ensure good behavior of their full delegation and their companions.

Head of Delegation must pay for their transportation to the hotel. The organization will be responsible for their board and lodging from dinner on August 11 to lunch on August 18 in the form of a sleeping room and a food stipend.

ACCOMPANYING PLAYERS

Each Federation will be able to register the number of accompanying players that it wishes, who will have to pay their full expenses of transportation, accommodation, and food.

ACCOMPANYING PERSONS

Any accompanying persons will also have to pay their full expenses of transportation, accommodation, and food.

IMPORTANT: All players must bring an authorization from their parents, in case they do not attend, indicating who will be the responsible person during their stay in USA.





**It is mandatory for everyone to have travel insurance for any eventuality.
VISAS**

Many non-U.S. citizens need a visa to enter the United States. We recommend checking <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.html/> if you need a Visa.

II. SCHEDULE

Date	Activity	Time
Friday, August 11	Arrival	1400 hrs
Saturday, August 12	Technical Meeting	0900 hrs
	Opening Ceremony	1500 hrs
	Round 1	1600 hrs
Sunday, August 13	Round 2	0930 hrs
	Round 3	1700 hrs
Monday, August 14	Round 4	0930 hrs
	Blitz - Pan American Youth	1700 hrs
Tuesday, August 15	Round 5	0930 hrs
	Round 6	1700 hrs
Wednesday, August 16	Round 7	0930 hrs
	BugHouse	1700 hrs
Thursday, August 17	Round 8	0930 hrs
Friday, August 18	Round 9	0930 hrs
	Closing Ceremony / Awards	1600 hrs





III. GENERAL CONDITIONS

This event will follow the rules and regulations written in this invitation. In case of any omissions, the "Regulations for the Pan-American Youth Chess Championship" will be in effect. These regulations can be found at: [REGULATIONS FOR THE PAN-AMERICAN YOUTH CHESS FESTIVAL](#), published on CCA website.

The events will be divided into two divisions: Open and Female divided into 6 age categories which will be played simultaneously.

CATEGORIES

Category	Sections	Born in year
Under 8	Open Female	2015 or later
Under 10	Open Female	2013 or later
Under 12	Open Female	2011 or later
Under 14	Open Female	2009 or later
Under 16	Open Female	2007 or later
Under 18	Open Female	2005 or later





TOURNAMENT FORMAT

9 Rounds, Swiss System. In case a tournament has 10 or less players it will be played as a Round Robin.

TIME CONTROL

The time control shall be 90 minutes with an additional 30 seconds per move from move one.

TIEBREAK SYSTEM

1. Direct encounter.
2. Buchholz cut 1
3. Buchholz
4. Most games with black
5. Greater number of wins
6. Sonneborn Berger
7. Coin toss

APPEALS COMMITTEE

The appeals committee members will be announced before the first round. It will be composed of 3 members and 2 reserves from different federations. Appeals must be submitted in writing to the chief arbitrator of the event, no later than 1 hour after the end of the round. It must be accompanied by a deposit of \$100 (one hundred US dollars). If the appeal succeeds, the deposit will be returned.

PAIRINGS & PGN FILES

The Swiss Manager software will be used using the Dutch pairing system. Pairings and PGN files will be published on: <https://chess-results.com> at the end of each round.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography will be authorized in the Playing Room in accordance with FIDE regulations to duly accredited people.





PRIZES

- Medals for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category and gender.
- Trophies for the countries placed in 1st, 2nd and 3rd place by accumulating points for each category and gender, as follows:
 - 1st - 3 points
 - 2nd - 2 points
 - 3rd - 1 point

DIRECT TITLES

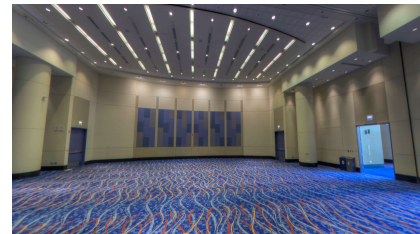
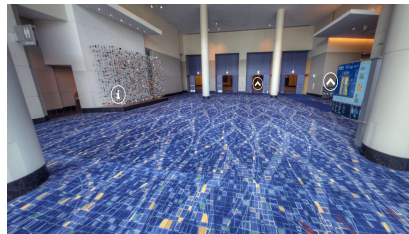
As stipulated by FIDE regarding Titles: **FIDE Website**. Titles are conferred per FIDE regulations on awarding direct titles: **FIDE Handbook**.

OPEN EVENTS	IM	FM	CM
U18	Gold – title; 1st equal – norm	Silver & Bronze – title	
U16	Gold – norm	1st equal – title	Silver & Bronze – title
U14 & U12		Gold – title	Silver & Bronze – title
U10 & U8			Gold, Silver & Bronze – title
FEMALE EVENT	WIM	WFM	WCM
U18	Gold – title; 1st equal – norm	Silver & Bronze – title	
U16	Gold – norm	1st equal – title	Silver & Bronze – title
U14 & U12		Gold – title	Silver & Bronze – title
U10 & U8			Gold, Silver & Bronze – title





IV. HOTEL / PLAYING VENUE



The event will take place in the McCormick Place convention Center West building, located on King Drive in Chicago, opposite the Hyatt Regency McCormick Hotel.

Official players and delegates of each Federation will be lodged at the Hyatt Regency McCormick Place Hotel on a double room basis. If someone wishes to stay in a single room, they must pay the difference.

Hotel Rate is \$195 (one hundred ninety-five US dollars) per night plus tax, which is currently 17.40%, single - quad. Reservations must be made on or before July 20, 2023. Food is not included in the hotel rate. Hotel rate is good from August 16 - 20 for pre or post extra nights.

Online reservations link can be found at www.panamyouth2023.com.

Phone reservations may be made through Hotel's Reservation Department by calling +1(402) 593-6018 and referring to the Event's name. Reservations for rooms accessible to guests with disabilities may be made in the same manner.

Players Under 18 years old can't be lodged without someone responsible for them.





V. REGISTRATION

TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEES

All players without exception must pay

FOR THE CCA

Official Players: \$75 (seventy-five US dollars)

Additional Players: \$100 (one hundred US dollars)

FOR THE ORGANIZER

Official Players & Additional Players: \$150 (one hundred fifty US dollars)

TOTAL REGISTRATION COST

Official Players: \$225 USD (two hundred twenty-five US dollars)

Additional Players: \$250 USD (two hundred fifty US dollars)

ACCREDITATION BADGES

Official players, additional players, delegates, and accompanying persons: \$25 (twenty-five US dollars). The accreditation badge is the document that identifies the people who may have access to the playing venue, analysis, and the waiting rooms located in the playing venue.

TRANSPORT FROM & TO AIRPORT (optional):

People who wish transportation from Chicago O'Hare International Airport to the official hotels (round trip) on August 11 or 12 and August 18 or 19, must confirm at the time of the registration. It costs \$ (TBD US dollars).

DEADLINES

Official Players: **Sunday, June 11 (included)**. Otherwise, they will be considered Additional players and they will have to cover their costs.

Additional players and accompanying persons: **Tuesday, July 11 (included)**.

After this deadline, the organizer may accept late registrations depending on availability. A penalty of \$100 (one hundred US dollars) per player will be charged in this case. A penalty of \$150 (one hundred fifty US dollars) per player will be charged for onsite entry.

Once the participation payments have been made, no refunds will be given.





The deadlines involve the complete sending of the participant's information and all payments corresponding to registration, accreditation, stays and transportation as appropriate.

Important: Those who do not meet these requirements they will not be CONFIRMED in the event, therefore, they will be eliminated from any registration of the tournament and will not be able to participate in this event.

ONLINE TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

Players may register individually online at www.panamyouth2023.com. See below data for registration before registering online. No online registration accepted after **Friday, August 10 (included)**.

DATA FOR REGISTRATION

Each Federation is responsible for registering their players and the relevant data:

- Full Name
- Date of Birth
- FIDE ID
- National ID and rating
- Tournament (Category and Gender)
- Type (Official, Additional, Accompanying person, Delegate, Trainer)
- Country
- Transportation needed from-to airport
- Arrival and departure times
- Airline & Flight Number
- Room type (double, triple, single)
- Roomate/s
- Extra days
- Proof of registration payment
- Hotel confirmation number (If hotel booked on their own)

Registration form can be found at www.panamyouth2023.com.

The information must be sent to the official email: info@panamyouth2023.com





VI. PAYMENT PROCESS

INTERNATIONAL BANK TRANSFER

- The National Federations must send to the Organizer the data previously requested at the official email info@panamyouth2023.com
- Once this information is received, the Organizer will send an invoice to the Federations with the International Bank Transfer details included
- Then, the National Federations will make the necessary bank transfer*
- Finally, the National Federations will send the vouchers of the bank transfers to the official email info@panamyouth2023.com

*All bank transfer fees must be paid by the sender.

PAYMENT WITH CREDIT CARD

Federations or individuals wishing to pay by credit card may do so by

- Registering their players online. Link at the www.panamyouth2023.com
- Making hotel reservations online. Link at the www.panamyouth2023.com
Or by phone by calling +1(402) 593-6018 and referring to the Event's name.

Once the participation payments have been made, no refunds will be given.

VII. ADDITIONAL EVENTS

PANAMERICAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP BLITZ

The Pan American Youth Championship Blitz Championship will take place on Monday, August 14 at 1700 hrs using the current FIDE Blitz chess laws. It will be registered, valid for FIDE rating. It will be played in as open events in under 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 categories.

Registration for the Blitz Championship will take place online at www.panamyouth2023.com through Sunday, August 13 and at the venue of the event on Sunday, August 13, 2023. Cost of registration is \$30 (thirty US dollars).

Those who request to register on Monday, August 14, the same day of the tournament, will be subject to the approval of the Tournament Director and the cost will be \$35 (thirty-five US dollars).





PANAMERICAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP BUGHOUSE

The Pan American Youth Championship Bughouse tournament will take place on Wednesday, August 16 at 1700 hrs using the current US Chess Scholastic Bughouse Regulations. It will be not registered or valid for FIDE rating. It will be played in as open event.

Registration for the Bughouse tournament will take place online at www.panamyouth2023.com through Tuesday, August 15 and at the venue of the event on Tuesday, August 15, 2023. Cost of registration for the team is \$40 (forty US dollars).

Those who request to register on Wednesday, August 16, the same day of the tournament, will be subject to the approval of the Tournament Director and the cost will be \$50 (fifty US dollars).

VIII. TOURNAMENT AUTHORITY

Organizers: David & Sheila Heiser

Chief Arbiter: IA David Hater

Deputy Chief Arbiter: IA Francisco Guadalupe

IX. INFORMATION & CONTACT

For any further information you may contact the Organizing Committee at the following:

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