Why Chess?

Chess has been played and enjoyed by people around the world for almost two thousand years. Summer is a great time to enroll your children in this state-wide chess program. We believe learning and playing chess directly contributes to academic performance. Studies show that children who learn chess show rapid improvements in:

- mathematics,
- reading,
- spatial awareness,
- visualization,
- focus,
- social skills and much more.

Not only does chess engage students of all learning styles and strengths, but it also promotes problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

How does it Work?

Whether playing for fun or competition, brand-new to the game or experienced, this summer chess program caters to all children of different abilities and offers:

A. **Instruction for new players** – Don’t know how to play chess? Come to the club and learn the game.
B. **Recreational play** – Providing a fun environment for kids to come and play chess with each other.
C. **Instruction for experienced players** – For the player ready to advance, begin studying tactics and strategies.
D. **Club competition** – Have mini-tournaments and competitions to stimulate interest.
E. **Tournament competition** – Competing with other schools or participating in local tournaments offers a new level of excitement and also provides incentive for advanced instruction.

**Coach: Christopher Gu**

Christopher is a talented youth chess player. At age 12, he became the youngest National Chess Master and state champion in Rhode Island history! He is currently ranked #4 in the U.S. in his age group and has been a member of the All-American Chess Team every year since 2011. Christopher competed in various national and international chess tournaments since he was a young child. His biggest chess accomplishment to date was winning the 2014 National Denker High School Chess Championship in Orlando, Florida.

For details and registration, please visit: [http://web.uri.edu/chineseclub/2015-rhode-island-summer-chess/](http://web.uri.edu/chineseclub/2015-rhode-island-summer-chess/)
Please use the form below to sign up for the 2015 RI Summer Chess Program:

Student Name: ___________________________  Grade: ______________

School Name: ___________________________

Work/Cell Phone (Parent/Guardian): _________________________________

Email: _____________________________________________________

Home Address:  _________________________________________________

City:  ____________________  Zip:  ____________________

Chess skills:  □ Beginner  □ Intermediate  □ Expert

USCF Rating (if available): _________________________________________

I give my permission for _____________________________ to participate in the 2015 RI Summer Chess Program.

Please contact the organizers if you have any questions or concerns.

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Parent/Guardian Signature                                                                Date

Time: August 3-August 7, 9am—12pm

Place: URI Multicultural Center

74 Lower College Road,

Kingston, RI 02881

Cost: $150

All proceeds will go to RI Chess Association and the Jonnycake Center of Peace Dale.

Online registration:

http://web.uri.edu/chineseclub/register-2015-summer-chess/

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