# 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/

# 2015 RI Summer Chess Program



### Time:

August 3—August 7 9am—12pm

# Location: 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.



# 2015 RI Summer Chess Program Sign Up Form

Parent/Guardian Signature

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:	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/
City: Zip:  Chess skills: Beginner Intermediate Expert  USCF Rating (if available):	Contact: Christopher Gu Phone: 401-782-2536 richessboy@gmail.com
I give my permission for to participate in the Please contact the organizers if you have any questions or concerns.	2015 RI Summer Chess Program.

Date