

Maui Chess Club

Presents Youth Chess lessons

For the first time ever, we will be offering chess lessons on a regular basis to Maui's children.

Why should children learn to play chess?

Chess is one of the oldest, most challenging and fun games. It has been proven through numerous studies that chess improves academic performance (Kamalii Elementary School has a chess program).



- 1) Chess involves all levels of critical thinking;
 - a) Knowledge
 - b) Comprehension
 - c) Analysis
 - d) Evaluation
- 2) Chess requires forethought and cultivates visualization skills
- 3) Chess improves problem-solving / math skills.
- 4) Chess encourages children to overcome the fear of risk taking
- 5) Chess teaches concentration and self-discipline
- 6) Chess enables children to assume responsibility for their decisions
- 7) Chess rewards determination and perseverance
- 8) Chess raises self-esteem and promotes good sportsmanship
- 9) Chess encourages socialization skills that extends across cultures and generations
- 10) Most of all chess is FUN to play

Classes will be taught by Michael Wojcio from the mainland with over 25 years experience as a chess teacher and tournament director as well as a certified teacher in Hawaii. Michael brings with him a wealth of experience in teaching chess from ages 5 and above to beginning and intermediate players. Ken Kenar will assist teaching chess. Ken has taught chess at the Wailuku library, Lihikai school, Emmanuel Lutheran as well as Mililani Chess Club in Oahu.

When: Begining Classes start at 10:30 am to 11:45 Intermediate 11:50 to 1:05pm

Where: Pizza in Paradise 60 E. Wakea, Kahului Phone: 871-8188 Web; pizzamaui.com

Day: Program begins March 19th Saturday and every Saturday until May 7, for a total of 8 lessons. You child may take as many lessons as they like. We will end the sessions with a mini chess tournament on May 14th. The tounament details to be determined.

Cost: Only \$10 for 1 and 1/4 hours of class for 10 students or less if there are more that 10 students per session then that session cost is \$7 per 1 and 1/4 hours of class. Payments are on a per session basis at the begining of class. You pay only for the sessions your child attends.

Equipment: We will provide United States Chess Federation authorized chess sets free of charge.

Download: sign up sheet at: pizzamaui.com or the day of your first lesson