

Summer 2009 – Chess Camp at North Austin Mathnasium

June 8–12

July 6–10

August 3–7

Featuring certified USCF Master instruction

Advanced technology! These chess camps employ a digital computer projection system which effectively enables rapid analysis and review when compared to using only manual demonstration boards. There are three camps to choose from – each offering a fun yet structured learning environment. *A great price for an interactive learning experience from Austin's chess coaching experts!*

- Three camps to choose from!
- Individual and team competitions
- Light exercise/stretching breaks
- New hi-tech interactive teaching methods
- **Friday — Tournament of Champions!**
- **All participants receive a t-shirt and award!**

**Submit registration via mail or directly at North Austin Mathnasium
(MasterCard® and VISA® accepted at the Mathnasium center only)**

JUNE

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT/SUN
1	2	3	4	5	6/7
Summer Chess Camp - June 8–12					13/14
15	16	17	18	19	20/21
22	23	24	25	26	27/28
29	30				

Location: Mathnasium Center
10401 Anderson Mill Rd
Austin, TX 78750

Directions: Off of 183 – exit Anderson Mill Rd. and head west about 1 mile to a strip mall on the left at Olson Dr. and Anderson Mill Rd.

JULY

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT/SUN
		1	2	3	4/5
Summer Chess Camp - July 6–10					13/14
13	14	15	16	17	18/19
20	21	22	23	24	25/26
20	21	22	23	24	25/26
27	28	29	30	31	

Daily Schedule: Drop-off is 8:00 – 9:00 AM
Lunchtime normally begins between 12:15 and 12:45 PM
Pick-up is 4:00 – 5:00 PM

Registration Schedule:

For June 8–12
\$200 if received by May 31
\$220 if received by June 5

For July 6–10
\$200 if received by June 28
\$220 if received by July 3

For August 3–7
\$200 if received by July 26
\$220 if received by July 31

AUGUST

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT/SUN
					1/2
Summer Chess Camp - August 3–7					8/9
10	11	12	13	14	15/16
17	18	19	20	21	22/23
24	25	26	27	28	29/30
31					

Contact:

Paul Chaplin – pc@turbochess.com

Eugene Kohnitz – chessensei@aol.com

Late Registration \$240 No guarantees! Contact organizers by email or phone

*Please read the following camp details carefully!
Each form must be read, agreed to and signed ...*

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REGISTRATION

Fees and Refunds ...

- Reservations will be established when all required camp fees (as listed in the chart below) and registration forms (signed where indicated) have been received.
- Late Registration: contact either by phone or in person is required.
- If a reservation is cancelled one week before the first day of camp, a refund of all but \$50 will be issued; no refunds will be issued after that.

Note: cancellations after the start of camp, based on medical or other emergencies, will be considered for appropriate (e.g., prorated) refunds based on the proper submission, in due time, of true and accurate evidentiary documentation.

There will be no refunds in the case of any disciplinary dismissals!

LUNCHES & SNACKS
Food and drinks are not provided at the Mathnasium center! Please plan for, prepare or provide your own lunches and snacks as needed. Water is the only drink offered and available at the site.

REGISTRATION				
Camp Week ⇔	June 8–12	July 6–10	Aug. 3–7	Fees
If received by...	May 31	June 28	July 26	\$200
If received by...	June 5	July 3	July 31	\$220
Late registration ⁺	Contact organizers if after above dates			\$240

⁺Direct contact either by phone or in person is required for late registration, so sign up early to avoid the hassle!

Registration Form [Circle chess camp: **June / July / August**]

All fields with an asterisk (*) are required information

*LAST NAME: _____ *FIRST NAME: _____

*AGE: ____ (**Age 7–17 ... otherwise, organizer approval, per the Rules Agreement Form, is necessary**)

*SCHOOL: _____ *GRADE: ____

*PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN NAME: _____

*HOME or WORK PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

*OTHER PARENT / GUARDIAN / CONTACT: _____

*HOME or WORK PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

*EMAIL: _____ EMAIL #2: _____

Make checks payable to: North Austin Mathnasium

Please send all completed and signed camp forms along with check to:

North Austin Mathnasium
10401 Anderson Mill Rd., #109A
Austin, TX 78750

Or ... visit North Austin Mathnasium (and pay by check, MasterCard® or VISA®)

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Medical & Emergency Services Release Forms

Medical Release

The camp will attempt to accommodate special needs participants. However, resources are not unlimited, so such accommodations, though desirable, may not be possible. This is also true of dealing with specific dietary allergies, e.g., exposure to foodstuffs including peanuts or peanut derivatives. If the prospective participant is considered to have special needs, or has significant allergies or other medical/dietary needs, these particulars must be disclosed and discussed before a reservation is accepted. This is for the benefit of the child, the other participants, and the staff members and volunteers at Mathnasium.

Please disclose all special medical, dietary and other concerns of the registrant in the space provided. This information will be reviewed and, if necessary, discussed with you prior to the acceptance of the reservation.

Emergency Services

I, the undersigned parent or legal guardian of the registrant minor, agree to allow Mathnasium staff, chess camp instructors and volunteers, to take what actions are deemed appropriate in emergency situations involving said minor, including the alerting of Emergency Medical Services (EMS). I also accept full financial responsibility for any and all charges for emergency services and for subsequent and consequent care.

I do hereby agree to release, discharge, and hold harmless Mathnasium, the camp staff, instructors, and volunteers of and from all liabilities, damages, claims, or demands whatsoever on account of any injury or accident involving the said minor arising out of the minor's attendance of the Summer 2009 – Chess Camp at Mathnasium or in the course of activities held during the camp. I have read, understand and fully accept the policies of the Summer 2009 – Chess Camp at Mathnasium.

Signature _____ Date _____

Photography and Name Release Form

I, the undersigned parent or legal guardian of the registrant minor, agree to allow Mathnasium staff and chess camp instructors to use said minor's name and/or image for advertising, news and awards purposes.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Rules Agreement Form

Disciplinary Policy

The primary goal of this camp is to provide chess instruction and competitive experiences to all the participants. If one or more participants interfere significantly with this process, then it is deemed as detrimental to the group as a whole and will not be tolerated. We have developed a number of skills to guide occasional and insignificant offenders back into the process, but we are not equipped, nor required by circumstances, to deal with continued and repeated disruptions, and certainly not *any* involving bodily injury to anyone present, or physical damage to the premises or any of its contents.

Parents should be aware that these chess camps are not suitable for all children. These chess camps are not suitable at all for horsing around or making noise. For this reason, we do not accept children under the age of 7 unless they are highly recommended by one of the local chess teachers for being serious and focused chess students.

A special note for complete beginners: Registrants who have no USCF chess tournament experience should pass an entrance exam to qualify for any of the camps in this summer series. These exams are a confirmation that the registrant understands all the basic piece and pawn move rules completely and, to some lesser degree, the 'special moves' – castling, pawn promotion, and en passant captures.

If you believe your child is unable to pass such an exam at this point, then now is the best time to have them learn the basics! It is not difficult, and there are many resources in a variety of media that offer such instruction. We will be happy to advise you in these matters if you ask. *Note: A few private lessons (focusing on move rules and notation) prior to the chess camp will also help bring the beginner up to speed.*

Knowing this, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) responsible for registering the participant should consider whether or not the basic camp regimen, including but not limited to group study, exercise, discussion and competition, fits the minor's personality and expectations.

I, the undersigned parent or legal guardian of the subject minor, agree to allow Mathnasium staff, chess camp instructors, and volunteers, to use appropriate disciplinary measures in dealing with said minor. Appropriate measures refer to, upon ...

- First offense – a behavioral warning will be issued to the minor.
- Second offense – direct discussion with the undersigned parent/guardian (and/or other provided contact).
- Third offense – dismissal of the minor from the camp, to be facilitated by the prompt removal of the minor from the premises by the undersigned.
- ANY significant acts of physical or emotional aggression to others, or acts causing property damage, may result in the participant's *immediate* dismissal and prompt removal by the undersigned.

Note: There will be no refunds in the case of any disciplinary dismissals!

Signature _____ Date _____

Placement Questionnaire (note: this is not an entrance exam)

General chess knowledge ...	A Lot	A Little	None	Reads and writes chess notation?	Y	N
Has received some chess instruction by a coach, mentor or other trainer?	A Lot	A Little	None	Plays at their school chess club?	Y	N
Knows something about chess etiquette and competitive rules?	A Lot	A Little	None	Plays at home with family member(s)?	Y	N
Knows the three special moves: <i>castling</i> , <i>en passant</i> and <i>pawn promotion</i> ?	All	Some	None	Uses software and/or books to improve chess skills?	Y	N
Has played in competitive scholastic tournaments?	A Lot	A Few	None	Plays at or visits online chess sites?	Y	N