

## **Fall Chess Tournament**

South Central Service Cooperative (SCSC) and Mankato Community Education/Recreation (CER) partnered Nov. 5 to offer the Fall Chess Tournament at Dakota Meadows Middle School to students from across south central Minnesota.

Twenty-four students in grades K-8 from multiple schools in Mankato, Mapleton, St. Peter and New Ulm competed in primary, elementary and middle divisions based on grade levels. The tournament was a Swiss-style tournament in which students are not eliminated. SCSC and CER feel these tournaments foster a competitive spirit without discouraging young players from continuing to play chess.

All players enjoyed a pizza lunch and received a participation certificate. Ribbons were also awarded to top students in their grade level and medals were awarded to primary, elementary and middle division champions.

For information about area chess tournaments or starting a chess club in your school or community, please contact Mary Hillmann: [mhillmann@mncsc.org](mailto:mhillmann@mncsc.org) or Melanie Schmidt: [mschmi3@isd77.k12.mn.us](mailto:mschmi3@isd77.k12.mn.us).

Congratulations to the students that participated!

Students were awarded by grade level and also as division champions:

### **Grade K:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Lucian Nova, Franklin Elementary, Mankato
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Cameron Burke, Washington Elementary, Mankato
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sam Haggerty, Roosevelt Elementary, Mankato

### **Grade 1:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Parker Kelley, Mapleton

### **Grade 2:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Ella Haggerty, Roosevelt Elementary, Mankato

### **Primary Division:**

#### **Grade 3:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Mateo Englehorn, Good Shepherd Lutheran School, Mankato
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Henry Wood, Loyola Elementary, Mankato
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Blake Fults, Franklin Elementary, Mankato
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Aiden Axness, Franklin Elementary, Mankato

#### **Grade 4:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> (tie) – Luke Haggerty, Roosevelt Elementary, Mankato
- 1<sup>st</sup> (tie) – Kaia Austin, Washington Elementary, Mankato
- 1<sup>st</sup> (tie) – Luke Banks, North Intermediate, St. Peter
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sterling Boyer, Roosevelt Elementary, Mankato
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Aiden Mock, Hoover Elementary, Mankato
- 4<sup>th</sup> (tie) – Julio Zempoaltecatl, Jefferson Elementary, Mankato
- 4<sup>th</sup> (tie) – Sophia Post, Hoover Elementary, Mankato
- 4<sup>th</sup> (tie) – Ashley Pipes, Hoover Elementary, Mankato

### **Elementary Division:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Mateo Englehorn, Good Shepherd Lutheran School, Mankato
- 1<sup>st</sup> (tie) – Luke Haggerty, Roosevelt Elementary, Mankato
- 1<sup>st</sup> (tie) – Kaia Austin, Washington Elementary, Mankato
- 1<sup>st</sup> (tie) – Luke Banks, North Intermediate, St. Peter
- 2<sup>nd</sup> (tie) – Henry Wood, Loyola Elementary, Mankato
- 2<sup>nd</sup> (tie) – Sterling Boyer, Roosevelt Elementary, Mankato
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Aiden Mock, Hoover Elementary, Mankato

### **Grade 5:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Tad Wrage, Washington Elementary, Mankato
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Drew Strande, Franklin Elementary, Mankato
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Michael Frutos Krueger, Bridges Community School, Mankato
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Logan Kreilkamp, St. Anthony Elementary, Mankato
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Calvin O'Connor, Hoover Elementary, Mankato

### **Grade 7:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Andrew Mages, New Ulm Middle School

### **Grade 8:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Jack Roering, Dakota Meadows Middle School

### **Middle Division:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Jack Roering, Dakota Meadows Middle School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tad Wrage, Washington Elementary, Mankato
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Drew Strande, Franklin Elementary, Mankato

***Photos available upon request.***