

The Saint Louis Chess Conference: Schedule At-A-Glance

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Presented by the Saint Louis Chess Club, US Chess, and Kasparov Chess Foundation

Day	Start Time	End Time	Event
Thurs 10/24/24	6:00 PM	10:00 PM	US Championship Closing Ceremony
Friday, 10/25/24	8:00 AM	8:45 AM	Breakfast Buffet
	8:45 AM	9:30 AM	Keynote: Grandmaster Maurice Ashley
	9:45 AM	10:45 AM	Plenary Session 1.1
	11:00 AM	12:15 PM	Concurrent Sessions 1.1
	12:30 PM	1:30 PM	Lunch + Keynote: Grandmaster Judit Polgár
	1:45 PM	3:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions 1.2
	3:15 PM	4:30 PM	Plenary Session 1.2
	5:30 PM	6:30 PM	Cocktail Reception – World Chess Hall of Fame
	8:00 PM	10:00 PM	Kingside After Dark
Saturday, 10/26/24	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	Breakfast Buffet
	9:30 AM	10:45 AM	Concurrent Sessions 2.1
	11:00 AM	12:15 PM	Concurrent Sessions 2.2
	12:30 PM	1:30 PM	Lunch + Keynote: World Champion Garry Kasparov
	1:45 PM	3:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions 2.3
	3:15 PM	4:30 PM	Plenary Session 2.1
	5:00 PM	7:00 PM	9LX Opening Ceremony/Autographs
	6:00 PM	10:00 PM	The Legendary CWE Halloween

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

GM Maurice Ashley

The Life-Changing Magic of Chess

Friday, 8:45 AM

GM Judit Polgár

The Power of Chess in Education

Friday, 12:30 PM

GM Garry Kasparov

*Chess in Education: Challenges and Advantages in the Age of
Computerization and AI*

Saturday, 12:30 PM

PLENARY SESSIONS

Chess and Gender

Sex Differences in Chess Ability: A Cohort Study of US Chess Players

Mark Glickman, Harvard University; Angela Li, Harvard University

Quantifying the Impact of Gender-Based Segregation in Chess Careers

Kishore Vasan, Northeastern University; Dr. Albert-Laszlo Barabasi, Northeastern University; Dr. Larry Han, Northeastern University

Gender Inequality Dynamics: Women's Participation and Performance in Competitive Chess in the Netherlands

Jeroen Struben, Associate Professor at Emylon Business School

Searching for the Queen's Gambit: An Exploratory Analysis of 15 Million U.S. Chess Games

Mike Podgursky, Michelle Wickman, Matthew Pepper, & Brian Kisida

Cheating and Chess

What Do We Really Know about Chess Cheating?

Dr David Smerdon, Senior Lecturer in Economics, The University of Queensland

[Title Forthcoming]

Dr. Kenneth Regan, University at Buffalo

Training for Elite Chess [Details Forthcoming]

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Chess and At-Risk Populations

Cops & Kids Chess Initiative - Using Chess to foster positive relationships between police and youth

David Heiser - Founder & CEO Renaissance Knights Foundation & retired Police Officer for 27 years, Arlecia Taylor - Director of Academic Competition Chicago Public Schools

Chess and Executive Functions in Adolescents: Current research

Jade Oldfield, MSc Student, University of Lethbridge, Lance Grigg

Girls Club in Kakuma and Chess4Peace

Anastasiya Karlovych, FIDE Woman Grandmaster

Chess in the Business World

Strategy and Tactics: Lessons from Chess for Consulting Success

Krishnan Vishnu Warriar

Business and Life Lessons in Chess

Evan Rabin, CEO of Premier Chess

My Top Ways to Get Businesses More Involved With Chess

Jim Egerton, CEO of Business on the Board

Chess & Students with Disabilities

How to grow a champion with Asperger syndrome in charter schools

Elena Anikina, Marshall chess club

Infinite Chess Program: Chess for Kids on the Autism Spectrum Disorder

Anastasia Sorokina, FIDE Women Commission Chair

Checkmate to Mental Health Challenges: The Impact of 'The Brain on the Curriculum

Mikkel Nørgaard, Chief Learning Officer, Danish Scholastic Chess Federation

Chess Standards & Curricula

Scholastic Chess Standards for US Chess

Christina Mullinax, Adam Porth, Paul Swaney, Abel Talamantez

Chess During the School Day: Key Skills for Students and Resources for their Teachers

Matan Prilleltensky: Director of Curriculum and Instruction for the National Scholastic Chess Foundation; Robert McKenzie, STEM and math specialist at Lauderdale Lakes Middle School.

Developing Chess Standards for In-School Chess

Maurice Ashley, Richard Pointer, Brian Kisida, Matthew Pepper

Grassroot Case: Kazakhstan. Introducing chess at math lessons in primary school of Astana city

Mr. Akhmet Ishmukhamedov, Founder and CEO of Sauwat Education; Mrs. Saule Yermukhanovna, School Principal # 96 Astana city, Kazakhstan

Chess in Higher Education

Academia Professional Chess Development

Dr. Jonathon Singler, Department of Teacher Education Professor, Webster University

Chess-themed Research and Courses at Universities

Dr. Alexey Root, The University of Texas at Dallas

Chess Courses in Higher Education

Alex Onischuk, Director/Head Coach, Texas Tech Chess Program

Psychology, History, & Philosophy of Chess

Jarrold Brown, Franklin College

Chess Tournament Strategies and Practices

Chess Tournaments as an Opportunity for Teen Workforce Development and Community-building

Jenny D. Ingber, PhD, CEO and President, Chess in the Schools

How to make chess tournaments a positive experience for our youth players and their parents: Framework for Organizers and Arbiters

Dr. Judit Szatray, IA/NTD Affiliated with: Mechanics' Institute (part time) and Chess.com (full time). Independent arbiter and organizer.

A Tool for Tournaments: Instant Feedback App

Lamar Lockett, Executive Director of Twist and Shout School of the Performing Arts

Creating and Growing Chess Clubs

Building a Free, Bilingual Chess Program for a Whole Rural County

Nicholas Mueller, Founder and Coach of Cochise Chess.

Building up competitive chess in rural communities: A case study in Western Kentucky

David Sye, Murray State University and Kentucky Chess Association

From Small Beginnings to Statewide Success: The Downriver Chess Club Story

Andrew Squitiro, Downriver Chess Club

Chess Education and Life Skills

New Ways to Utilize Chess to Teach Students Life Skills

Jonathan Ferry, Founder of Chess Tales Publishing Company

Letting Kids Try Different Things to Keep Them Participating in One: Hamilton K-8 Case Study in a Holistic Approach to Learning and Retaining Chess Students.

Abel Talamantez: He is the Chess Program Director at Hamilton K-8 School in Novato, CA.

Innovative Approaches to using Chess: Mindfulness

Victor Lopez, Founder and Executive Director of Learners Chess, learnerschess.org

New Research on the Impact of Chess

Checkmate to Mental Health Challenges: The Impact of 'The Brain on the Curriculum

Mikkel Nørgaard, Chief Learning Officer (CLO) with the Danish Scholastic Chess Federation

Chess as an Intervention to Improve Executive Functioning Among Youth

*Anandita Oberoi, PhD Walden University
Gregory Hickman, PhD, Walden University
Barbara Benoliel, PhD, Walden University
Sarah Matthey, EdD, Walden University*

Impact of Playing Chess on Development of Cognitive Skills in Schools Under Chess Association of Ampara District

Abdul Majeed Sakeer Ahamed

CAStLE: Chess Attainment Study in Saint Louis

Brian Kisida, University of Missouri, Matthew Pepper, Basis Policy Research

Chess Book Club

Three authors of chess-themed books will discuss their process, work, and topic.

Sunil Weeramantry

Peter Doggers

Atiyab Sultan

Exploring the Benefits of Learning Chess

Chess and Critical Thinking

*Jerry Nash, FIDE Chess in Education
Commission Chairman*

Chess Guiding Your Future: Harnessing the Power of Chess for Student Success

*Steve Abrahams. Director of Chess and
Graduate Support Associate; Academy Prep
Center of Lakeland, Chess Coach for Florida
Polytechnic University*

It's Not Really About the Chess

*Christina Schweiss, Executive Director,
Hampton Roads Chess Association*

Building a Community of Players: How We Can Learn from and Offer Resources to Marginalized Chess Publics

Zachary Davis

Saving for All: Preserving and Cataloging Chess Games and Magazines (Panel Presentation)

Andy Ansel – Unaffiliated

Joshua Anderson – Chess Journalists of America

Jon Edwards – Chess Journalists of America

Chess Education around the Globe

A Global Vision for Chess in Education: 2024 and Beyond

*Jerry Nash, FIDE Chess in Education
Commission Chairman*

The State of Chess in the Americas

*Sadiqah Razark, Mauricio Arias, FIDE America
Education Commission*

Innovative Approaches to using Chess: Chess Service Trips Abroad

*Victor Lopez, Founder and Executive Director
of Learners Chess*