



# 6th Annual K-12 Winter Blast

Saturday, March 2nd

Summerour Middle School

321 Price Place, Norcross GA 30071

**Open to any player grade 12 and below. Cap: 200**

**4SS, G/30,d5 in rounds 1 – 4,**

**except G/45,d5 in round 4 for the 2 top sections**

**Round Times: 10:30; 12:15; 2:00; 3:30**

**7 SECTIONS: 5 Rated Sections**, USCF membership required: **Under 300, Under 500, Under 800, Under 1100** and **Premier** for players ever rated **1100 and above**. Notation is required in U-1100 and Premier. Players may play up one section if rated within 100 points of the section.

**2 Unrated Sections:** Grade 3 and Below and Grade 4 – 12 are for new players and players rated below 500. Unrated and new young players may also play in either the Under 300 or Under 500 Sections if they want to become rated. It is suggested for new young players to play at least one tournament in an unrated section and earn a plus score before playing rated.

**Entry Fee: Advance entry** received by midnight **Wednesday, February 20**, the cost is **\$29**.

**Late registration** is \$34 through midnight **Tuesday, February 26**. Then, \$39 on Wednesday and Thursday, **February 27 and 28**. No online registration Friday, **March 1**. **Onsite registrations** okay at \$42. At site, register by 9:30am to be paired for round #1. If later, you will probably get a 1/2 point bye in Rd #1. We will post registration updates on the Website, but the FINAL registration list will be posted at the tournament. It is the parent's responsibility to arrive by 9am to have errors fixed before Round #1 begins.

**Byes:** 1/2 Point Byes available only in Rounds 1-3. No byes in Round #4. Byes for Round #1 must be made when you register. Byes for Rounds 2 & 3 made when registering or before Round #1.

**Register online at:** <https://www.championshipchess.net> and click **Register**, choose **Tournament**, and follow steps to register and pay for the **Winter Blast**. Current USCF ID# required to be paired for Round 1, unless playing in an unrated section.

**Trophies** to top scores in each section and all players with plus scores. Special Chess Medals to all players in the Unrated Sections who don't receive a trophy.

**Premier Section: 1<sup>st</sup> place \$100 and 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$50** for chess expenses, in addition to trophies.

**Team Trophies Sponsored by Simha Restaurants** to top 3 schools based on most *weighted points* of 5 players in *Rated Sections*.

**Tournament Director Update:** Since we have Wi-Fi onsite, we plan on having online pairings and Wall Charts available at <http://www.keithval.com/chess/>

*National Master Tim Brookshear, Life Master Dave Vest and other top Championship Chess Coaches will be available between rounds to review games.*

**Information:** [chess@championshipchess.net](mailto:chess@championshipchess.net) or <https://www.championshipchess.net/activities-tournament-rules/> or call Coach Tim Brookshear 770-633-6718