

# Spring Break Chess Camp

HOSTED BY NORTH AUSTIN MATHNASIUM

North Austin — March 12–16, 2012

Featuring Certified USCF Master Paul Chaplin

**Advanced technology!** The Spring Break Chess Camp at Mathnasium will employ a digital computer projection system which effectively enables rapid analysis and review. The camp offers five exciting days with students immersed in a fun yet structured hybrid chess learning environment. One low price for one great interactive learning experience! *Limited seating is offered on a first come first serve basis to qualified entrants.*

- Interactive hybrid chess instruction
- Beginning and Advanced grouping
- Individual and team competitions
- Light exercise breaks (yoga/tai chi/stretching)
- **End of camp – Tournament of Champions!**
- **All participants receive a t-shirt and award!**

Submit registration via mail or drop-off at North Austin Mathnasium  
(MasterCard® and VISA® accepted at the Mathnasium center only)

## MARCH – 2012

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT/SUN
			1	2	3/4
5	6	7	8	9	10/11
<b>Spring Break Chess Camp Mar. 12-16</b>					17/18
19	20	21	22	23	24/25
26	27	28	29	30	31/1

**Registration** \$200 if received by March 8, 2012

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

\* The Spring Break Chess Camp reached capacity last year! Register early to secure a seat!

For more information, please contact:

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**Sign-up form(s)** are available online at  
[www.turbochess.com](http://www.turbochess.com)  
or visit ... North Austin Mathnasium

**Daily** Drop-off is 8:30 – 9:00 AM  
Lunchtime normally begins  
between 12:15 and 12:45 PM  
Pick-up is 4:00 – 5:00 PM

**Location:** North Austin Mathnasium Center  
10401 Anderson Mill Rd.  
Suite #109 A  
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.

## Mathnasium Summer Chess Camp Calendar

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI		
Chess Camp #1 .....					June 4–8	Tentative
Chess Camp #2 .....					July 16–20	Tentative
Chess Camp #3 .....					August 6–10	Tentative

# Chess Camp at North Austin Mathnasium

## REGISTRATION

### Fees and Refunds ...

- Reservations will be established when all required camp fees (as listed below) and registration forms (signed where indicated) have been received. Mathnasium and chess camp instructors reserve the right to limit attendance, change Mathnasium locations and/or cancel chess camps and refund registration fees without notice.
- If a reservation is cancelled one week or more before the first day of camp, a refund of all but \$25 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 (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!*

*+ Direct contact either by phone or in person for all approved late registrations; sign up early to avoid the hassle!*

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		
MATHANSIUM	Received by –	Late Registration
<b>Spring Break</b>	March 8 / \$200	*\$240
<i>* Late registration ... No guarantees! Camps have filled in the past!</i>		

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## Registration Form

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: \_\_\_\_ USCF RATING: \_\_\_\_\_

\*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®)

# Chess Camp at North Austin Mathnasium

## 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.

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### 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 chess camp at North Austin Mathnasium or in the course of activities held during the camp. I have read, understand and fully accept the policies set forth by North Austin Mathnasium.

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## 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 the 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 beginners:** Registrants who have no tournament experience should understand all the basic piece and pawn move rules, and to some lesser degree, the 'special moves' – castling, pawn promotion, and *en passant* captures. It is also highly beneficial to be able to read and speak chess through algebraic notation. Students should expect a "total immersion" chess experience and to gain knowledge with respect to their abilities and maturity.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

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