

## General Rules

1. All participants must complete an online registration form available at [www.kagw.com](http://www.kagw.com) and submit the mandatory registration fees by the end date – April 17th, 2021.
2. Registration fees for tournament will be \$10.00 per participant.
3. Payments must be made through the registration website using Paypal.
4. Tournament will be conducted online on [www.chesskids.com](http://www.chesskids.com).
5. Trial tournament to get accustomed to the online portal will be held before the tournament date. Further details will be sent to the participants before the trial.
6. Only one registration form should be submitted per participant.
7. Registration forms submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.
8. Organizers reserve the right to extend the deadline for registration. Any extension of the registration deadline will be announced through the KAGW website.
9. Organizers reserve the right to cancel the whole tournament or a specific category within the tournament if there are less than 4 participants for that tournament /category.
10. The tournament will be held based on the following categories:
  - a. Category 1 – Below 3rd grade
  - b. Category 2 – 4th grade to 6th grade
  - c. Category 3 – 7th grade to 10th grade
  - d. Category 4 – Above 10th grade (no upper limit) + Adults
11. The tournament timing
  - a. Category 1 – 04/24/2021 at 9 AM
  - b. Category 2 – 04/24/2021 at 10 AM
  - c. Category 3 – 04/25/2021 at 9 AM
  - d. Category 4 – 04/25/2021 at 10 AM
12. For administrative purposes, categories are determined based on the grade/class in which the participant is currently studying. The participant's actual age will not be considered to determine their category.
13. False representation of the category will result in disqualification of the participant.
14. Participants can only participate in one category. However, participants may opt to participate in a higher category. Under no circumstances will they be allowed to participate in a lower category. A participant cannot contest in multiple categories.
15. There will be no separate tournaments for male and female participants.
16. Participants should login to the [www.chesskid.com](http://www.chesskid.com) portal at least 15 minutes before the tournament time.
17. Participants will not receive any communication from the organizers if they fail to report on time.
18. The KAGW Sport's Committee reserves the rights to revise the rules at any time.
19. The KAGW Sport's Committee decision shall be final.
20. Please contact for any questions:
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#### Registration guidelines

1. The tournament will be conducted online at [www.chesskid.com](http://www.chesskid.com).
2. After registration is complete, minor participants need to have their parents send an email to [patil\\_venkatesh@hotmail.com](mailto:patil_venkatesh@hotmail.com) to create an account at [www.chesskid.com](http://www.chesskid.com) by providing adult/parent's cell phone number, participant's first name, last name and category.
3. Participants are recommended to play practice games with other members of the portal before the tournament date and get accustomed to the user interface.
4. Playing practice games will establish a rating which will be used by the portal to group participants during the tournament.
5. Please ensure you are familiar with the rule book and game timings. If participant is late he/she will lose the first round and have to wait for the second round to start. Participant will not be able to join the tournament if they join after the second round starts.

#### TOURNAMENT RULES:

1. The rules follow the basic principles of a Swiss System tournament.
2. There will be six rounds in each category. This is not elimination round tournament.
3. Two players may play each other only once.
4. Players are paired with others of the same score, or nearest score.
5. If there are odd number players, the lowest rated player will get a bye (he/she wins). This will apply on each round.
6. When possible, a player is given the white pieces as many times as he is given the black pieces.
7. When possible, a player is given the color other than that he was given the previous round.
8. The final ranking order is determined by the aggregate of points won: 1 point for a win, 0.5 point for a draw and 0 point for a loss. A player whose opponent fails to appear for a scheduled game receives one point.
9. The player with the highest total number of points wins the category. In case of 2 players having same points, the tie breaker point system will be used that is based on Swiss format rules used by the portal.

#### GAME RULES:

1. All standard rules of Chess will be followed by KAGW for this tournament unless mentioned below. In case of conflict, committee has all the rights to take a decision.
2. Timings Rule – Each round is of 20 mins maximum with 10 minutes per player.
3. The player will not be able to join back the tournament if they accidentally log out or the system crashes or if they close the browser during the tournament.
4. No Interference – When the game is in progress, no third party is allowed to interfere in the game.