



Hey the Chess Club is beginning! We start the week of Nov. 22nd this year. We will offer it in two ways: during recess and after school. You do not need to know how to play. Each time we will offer some instruction. The after school version will meet on Tuesdays in the Library from 3:45 until 4:40. This will be available for students in grades 2-5 with no more than 26 students possible. After school bus service may become available in January and times may change at that point to coincide with other after school programs.

The recess version will meet on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12:35-1:30 or until your recess is done **unless Mr. Boyd is teaching during that time.** Mr. Boyd will announce his availability on Morning announcements. Grades 3-5 will be welcome at first but total numbers will be limited to the number of chess boards we have. Fifth grade will only be able to stay until 1:30 unless I have a parent volunteer.

We will work on developing students' skill in this game, trying many different ways to keep all challenged, and all having fun! This year I hope to end up with a tournament. To ensure that this activity is successful I am asking you to agree to the following.

1. Behavior cannot be an issue! From the time you leave to come to chess club to the time you return to your room or get picked up you must make wise behavior choices.
2. Sportsmanship is very important! We play fair, encourage others, accept our losses in stride, and help others learn. Everyone will need to be willing to take time to help others learn the game, and learn more ourselves.
3. Maintaining the chess club is everyone's responsibility! Setting up, packing items, and maintaining the chess items is everyone's job.
4. **Picking students up after school in a timely fashion is very important.** Students should be picked up at the main entrance. If this becomes a problem your child will not be allowed to stay.

I give _____ permission to attend chess club (after school, during recess). We agree to abide by the above guidelines. **(Circle all that apply)**

Parent Signature

Student Signature

Grade ____ Teacher _____

_____ I would be willing to help set-up/monitor this activity. (**Recess,** **After School**)
(Circle all that apply)

Home Phone _____

I know how to play chess: Not at all beginner OK Fairly well Advanced

Please return to Mr. Boyd as soon as possible!