



Cornerstone Chess Club

Playing for the King

Chess Magnet School Membership Benefits

One of the tools that Cornerstone Chess Club has used for the last several years to improve the chess skills of our students is Chess Magnet School. This is an interactive online tool available through <http://www.chessmagnetschool.com/> that allows the students to work at their own pace through 21 levels of chess problems. The lesson guide on the Chess Magnet School site which is located at http://www.chessmagnetschool.com/lesson_guide.php can give you an idea of the large range of topics that are covered across the beginning, intermediate, and advanced skill levels.

This tool is used during Chess Club on a regular basis in the computer lab at Cornerstone. It can also be used at home to further challenge their chess skills. This tool can be valuable to the majority of students in our Chess Club. If the student is very advanced, there are other tools that our coaches can recommend as well.

A personal account is not required to participate in Chess Magnet School during Chess Club, as they can use a guest account. However, there are a number of benefits to having a personal account. The coaches can monitor the progress of those students with personal accounts in Chess Magnet School, and can give assignments based on the areas in which they feel the students need to focus. This will also allow the student to better track their own progress as they move up through the various levels in the program. Also, throughout Chess Club, the students are awarded for extra work they do, including computer notated and hand notated games (minimum of 15 moves) that they turn in, playing in tournaments, working on chess puzzles and turning them in, and working on problems in Chess Magnet School. Three times a year, the top few kids in each section with the most points can earn awards at Chess Club.

If you choose to sign up for Chess Magnet School through Cornerstone Chess Club, you will pay only \$15 per child for the school year.

Questions? Call/e-mail Lori Davis, Chess Club volunteer, @ 360-253-5744(h), 503-975-9523(c) or chess@playingfortheKing.com. See you on Thursday!