Riverton Elementary Presents Our Chess Club Tournament Friday, December 13th

This in-school tournament is open to all Riverton Elementary Chess Club members!

- 3 rounds starting at 1:30 pm (right after school in the gym)
- Awards at 4:00 pm (this is an estimate time.)
- Free icecream cone just because you are that cool ☺

Location: Riverton Elementary 13150 South 1830 West

Pre-registration: I need your forms by Dec 11th. But if you forget to turn them in and really want to come, call me – I'll still get you in!

Cost: FREE!!!

Awards: Yes, there will be awards for all participants. At a minimum, everyone will be offered a medal. I haven't decided yet if giving out trophies is a good idea or not. Parents – your input is welcome ⁽²⁾

Send registration info to: Riverton Elementary Chess Registrations 13150 South 1830 West Riverton Utah, 84065 Or e-mail <u>hammond@clarkwork.com</u> Or call / txt me: 801.809.2304

If you register and then realize you can't come, PLEASE let me know ASAP so everyone can be paired for round 1. THANK YOU!!

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FAQ

Q: Can parents come and watch?

A: Yes! You may also bring other children with you, though you will want to bring things for them to do.

Q: Are parents required to attend with their students?

A: No, but this is not a babysitting deal. If your child is requiring supervision, you will be called to pick them up (or accompany them.) But we'll let you decide if your child is responsible enough to try it without you.

Q: When will this be finished?

A: I'm only guessing but hopefully the awards will be at 4pm and we'll be cleaned up by 4:45.

Q: Does my child need to know how to play chess to attend?

A: For me, that's kind of like asking if my child should know how to read before visiting a library. We all play chess on different levels and that's okay. Come have fun. One thing we learn through tournaments is to be a good sport and how to lose gracefully. Also, I try to pair them with equally skilled players.

Q: My child has been a member of the chess club previously but I'm not sure how much he/she has come this year. Can he/she still attend the tournament?

A: You betcha!

Q: If my child loses a game, are they out for the tournament?

A: No. Every player plays all 3 rounds. Unless they need to leave early, in which case, please let us know so we don't pair them for the next round.

Q: My child just handed me this paper. I didn't even know the school had a chess club. Who are you and what is this about?

A: Chess club is held Mondays and Wednesdays during lunch recess. There is no "sign up" or commitment required so it is common that parents don't realize their child is attending. We do this to have fun and offer a sense of accomplishment and belonging. And WOW do these kids belong! They are brilliant and fun – which is what has kept me doing it for 8 years now. My name is Catherine Hammond and I am a mom of 6 kids who have attended or currently attend Riverton Elementary. And I love chess club because I love your children!

Q: This sounds fun. Can I help?

A: I never turn down help and no, you don't need to know anything about chess. Contact me and I'll find the perfect assignment tailored just for you. Thanks 😳

Q: This sounds a bit chaotic. Why do you do these tournaments anyway?

A: Because I love your children and want to celebrate how incredibly smart they are. What better way to spend your weekend? And yes, tournaments are *crazy* fun!!