

# INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS CHESS FESTIVAL

IASI, ROMANIA

JUNE 30 – JULY 6, 2025

III rd EDITION

IASI City Hall, CSM Iași 2020

**are inviting school chess teams to attend the International Schools Chess Festival**



- **Venue:** Hotel Unirea\*\*\*\*, city of Iasi, Romania.
- **Participants:** school teams of 4 children (at least 1 girl), 1 Team Captain.
- **Team composition:** 3 boards open (for boys and girls), 1 board for girls. Board order of the players on the 3 boards (open) is according to ELO ratings. A team may have substitutes 1 boy and 1 girl.
- **Players must have FIDE ID.**
- **A school may register 1 or more teams.**
- **Tournaments:**

**Section A – Primary school teams - children U12 (born in 2013 or later).**

**Section B – Secondary school teams - children U15 (born in 2010 or later).**

**A child U12 can play in a U15 team.**

- **Playing system:** classical chess, 1hr + 30 sec./more.
- **Team Captain** is registering the team with team composition and together with a letter from the school endorsing that the kids belong to that school, by the June 10.
- **System of play:** swiss system, 8 rounds.
- **Rankings:**
  - **Teams tie-breaks:** match points (2 for win, 1 for draw, 0 for lose), total boards points, direct encounter, extended Sonneborn Berger for teams – 1 (EMGSB), Bucholtz – 1

- Boards tie-breaks: number of points, Bucholtz – 1, Bucholtz, number of games played with black pieces, number of wins. If still equal, players will be awarded ex-aequo
- The tournaments are FIDE registered and comply to FIDE rules.
- Limited number of participants

Prizes, in each section:

- First 3 teams: 1 Cup, medals and diplomas for all components, prizes in objects
  - First 3 players on each board receive: medal, diploma and prizes in objects
  - All participants receive diplomas
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- Program:
    - June 30: Arrivals day
    - July 1st, 09:30 hrs. Opening ceremony and Technical meeting
    - July 1st: 10:00 hrs. Round 1; 16:00 hrs. Round 2
    - July 2nd: 10:00 hrs. Round 3; 16:00 hrs. Round 4
    - July 3rd: Free day.
    - Activities: Chess in Schools International Conference, city tour, Open air chess event for kids
    - July 4th: 10:00 hrs. Round 5; 16:00 hrs. Round 6
    - July 5th: 10:00 hrs. Round 7; 16:00 hrs. Round 8
    - July 5th: 20:00 hrs. Awarding Ceremony
    - July 6th: Departures day

Venue: Playing halls and accommodation in Hotel Unirea\*\*\*\*

Registration of teams must be sent by 10 June 2025.

Registrations: [sahinscoala@gmail.com](mailto:sahinscoala@gmail.com)

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