

# 2025 Susan E. Kantor Tennessee State Scholastic Individual Chess Tournament

(Open to Tennessee Students or Residents Only)



**Tennessee  
Chess  
Association**

## Regional Qualifiers - Saturday, October 25th, 2025

## November 1st

**Region 1**  
Lenoir City High School  
1485 Old Hwy 95  
Lenoir City, TN 37771

**Region 2**  
Cleveland Middle School  
3635 Georgetown Rd NW  
Cleveland, TN 37312

**Region 3**  
Lighthouse Christian School  
5100 Blue Hole Road  
Antioch, TN 37013

**Region 4**  
Lausanne Collegiate School  
1381 W Massey Rd  
Memphis, TN 38120

### Sections:

High School (grades 9-12) Denker  
Middle School (grades 6-8) Barber  
Elementary (grades K-5) Rockefeller  
Primary (grades K-3) Ashley

**Format:** Swiss System - Rounds based on attendance  
<16 players in section = 4 rounds  
17-48 players in section = 5 rounds  
48+ players in section = 6 rounds (rds 1-3 G/30;d5)

### Time Control:

Rounds 1&2 - G/30;d5  
Remaining rounds G/45;d5  
All participants are encouraged to bring their own clock

**Awards:** Top 8 (Additional prizes based on pre-registration.)

Awards ceremony immediately following last round in section.

**On-site Registration:** 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.

All players must check in by 8:30 a.m. or they will not be paired for Round 1.

Round 1 starts at 9:00 a.m. Rounds 2-5 as announced.

**Dues:** No membership dues are required for Regional Qualifiers.

**Byes:** One one-half point bye is available for any round if requested at registration.

**Tiebreaks:** Only one champion! G/10 playoff for First Place each section. Otherwise:

(1)Modified Median, (2)Solkoff, (3)Cumulative, (4)Opp. Cumulative, (5)Median, (6)Kashdan, (7)Sonnenborn-Berger

**Entry Fee: \$20 -- Late Entry \$30 after October 17th or on-site.**

Pre-register online at [tnchess.us](http://tnchess.us) – Pre-registration ends October 23rd

ENTRIES BY MAIL SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO YOUR REGIONAL COORDINATOR (See Counties)

Must be postmarked by October 18, 2025

**Region 1**  
Christina Mullinax  
193 Caramel Lane  
Loudon, TN 37774

**Region 2**  
Michael Ake  
1004 17th St. NW  
Cleveland, TN 37311

**Region 3**  
Chris Prosser  
733 Long Hunter Court  
Nashville, TN 37217

**Region 4**  
Arlene Kleiman  
1614 Vance Ave  
Memphis, TN 38104

## 2025 Susan E. Kantor TN State Scholastic Individual Entry Form

|                                        |            |                             |                   |       |
|----------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------|
| Name:                                  |            | US Chess ID (if available): |                   |       |
| Address:                               |            | Region:                     | DOB:              |       |
| School:                                | Grade:     | Phone:                      |                   |       |
| Section (circle one): K-3 K-5 6-8 9-12 |            | Email:                      |                   |       |
| Bye Rd?                                | Entry Fee: | TCA Memb N/A                | US Chess Memb N/A | Total |

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## State Individual Finals - Saturday, November 15, 2025

**Location:** Tennessee Tech University  
Roaden University Center, 1000 N Dixie Ave, Cookeville,  
TN 38505

**Qualifications:** Top 8 Individuals from each section  
in each region may play.

**Awards/Sections:** Same as Regionals

**Format:** 5 Round Swiss

**Time Control:**

Rounds 1&2 - G/45:d5; Rounds 3-5 G/60:d5

All participants are encouraged to bring their own clock.

**Tiebreaks:** Same as Regionals, plus G/10 playoff for 2nd  
place in HS section for scholarship prize (see below).

**Check-In:** 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. CT

All players must check in by 8:30 a.m. or they  
will not be paired for Round 1. Round start times  
are approximate. Rounds will start no earlier  
than stated.

Round 1 starts at 9:00 a.m.

Round 2-5 as announced

**Dues:** US Chess (\$24 USChess.org) and  
Tennessee Chess Association (\$10 tnchess.us)  
memberships are required for all players.  
Please have memberships up-to-date by  
November 12th.

**National Invitationals:** The top players in the sections below will be invited to represent Tennessee in the  
Tournament of Champions at the 2026 U.S. Open Invitationals August 3-9th, 2026 in Grand Rapids, MI

- High School Champion: The Arnold Denker Tournament of High School State Champions
- Middle School Champion: The Dewain Barber Tournament of Middle School State Champions
- Elementary Champion: The John D. Rockefeller III Tournament of Elementary State Champions
- Primary Champion: The GM Maurice Ashley Tournament of Primary State Champions

### Special Prizes:

Tennessee Tech University will award four-year Tennessee State Scholastic Chess Championship  
Scholarships to the first place and second place winners of the High School Section as follows:  
\$2,000 per year (first place), and \$1,000 per year (second place). For more information, about  
scholarship opportunities at Tennessee Tech, visit [www.tntech.edu/scholarships](http://www.tntech.edu/scholarships).

## COUNTIES IN EACH REGION

**Region 1:** Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Carter, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Greene, Hamblen, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson,  
Johnson, Knox, Loudon, Monroe, Scott, Sevier, Sullivan, Unicoi, Union, Washington.

**Region 2:** Bledsoe, Bradley, Clay, Coffee, Cumberland, DeKalb, Fentress, Franklin, Grundy, Hamilton, Jackson, Marion,  
McMinn, Meigs, Morgan, Overton, Pickett, Polk, Putnam, Rhea, Roane, Sequatchie, Van Buren, Warren, White

**Region 3:** Bedford, Cannon, Cheatham, Davidson, Dickson, Giles, Hickman, Houston, Humphreys, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln,  
Macon, Marshall, Maury, Montgomery, Moore, Perry, Robertson, Rutherford, Smith, Stewart, Summer, Trousdale, Wayne,  
Williamson, Wilson

**Region 4:** Benton, Carroll, Chester, Crockett, Decatur, Dyer, Fayette, Gibson, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Henry,  
Lake Lauderdale, Madison, McNairy, Obion, Shelby, Tipton, Weakley