

# 2010 Montessori Chess Camp Placement

## Montessori School of Bowling Green

### Placement Procedure

The completion of this form will allow camp coaches to place your student in the most appropriate section. Please read the section descriptions below and then answer the following questions.

### SECTION DESCRIPTIONS

Read each description of the various playing sections offered at the 2010 Montessori Chess Camp. Please take into consideration any USCF rating that your child may have. Since many scholastic players do not yet have a USCF rating, rating is only one of several criteria that coaches will use for placement.

#### **Beginner (Unrated)**

Player may or may not know how pieces move and is learning (or ready to learn) basic tactical knowledge.

#### **Intermediate I (Rating 100-500)**

Player knows some tactics and is now ready to apply tactics and develop various strategies. Player is willing to learn notation.

#### **Intermediate II (Rating 501-800)**

Player routinely uses pieces in combination and is well versed in basic opening & endgame tactics.

Player is comfortable with notation and is ready to study basic openings & endgame strategies.

#### **Advanced (Rating of 801 and higher)**

Player demonstrates firm knowledge of basic openings and endgame strategies.

Player has a genuine interest in chess theory, plays several times/week & willingly reads on subject.

### PLACEMENT QUESTIONS

1. How long has your child played chess? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Has your child belonged to a chess club before? \_\_\_\_ If YES, which one? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Who was your child's most recent chess coach? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Does your child have United States Chess Federation rating? \_\_\_\_\_ If YES, what is it? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Has your child ever played in a tournament (not matches)? \_\_\_\_\_ If YES, how many? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Consider the sections above, which do you think may best suit your child? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please feel free to provide any additional info. on the reverse side which may be helpful in placing your student.**

If a parent has a concern/question regarding their child's placement, please feel free to contact Coach Van Vorhis at the number below. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Coach Van Vorhis  
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