



# Wanted: A Few Good Kids for the



## Parkside Chess Club!

*Kids, you'll love it because it's fun! Play with your friends every Thursday after school. Play in Saturday tournaments. Help represent Parkside in team tournaments against other schools. And maybe make a trip to the Indiana team Chess Championships in March!*

*Parents, you'll love it because of the many ways chess benefits your child; see other side for more information.*

*You say you don't know how to play? No problem!  
We'll teach you how to play. And how to WIN!*

*Chess club meets every Thursday in the cafeteria from 2:50 until 3:50.  
We'll meet all fall and winter long – until Spring Break.*

*Cost for the program is \$15.  
Scholarships are available.*

*Questions? Ask your coach,  
Mr. Dan Shenk, at 534-9673  
or [dan@shenkcopyproof.com](mailto:dan@shenkcopyproof.com)*

*Please see other side for more information  
and an enrollment form.*



*Parents*, chess is more than “just a game.” It has an amazing way of developing **higher-order thinking skills** in those who play regularly. Doctoral studies have shown that chess **enhances concentration, problem solving, patience, deferred gratification, creativity, planning, pattern recognition, cause/effect awareness, impulse control, sportsmanship, self-esteem and resiliency in the face of adversity**. Chess also levels the playing field between girls and boys. All these skills help students be successful in school, in other sports and in life itself. That’s why we named the program Chess for Scholastic Success. The game is not a cure-all, of course, but it can be an **important piece of students’ success puzzle**.

Parkside coach Dan Shenk has been teaching chess for a long time, including an earlier stint as Parkside chess coach in the early 1990s when both his sons attended here. He also helped start the Chess for Scholastic Success program in 1993. You may contact Mr. Shenk at **534-9673** or **dan@shenkcopyproof.com**. He will be assisted by Phil Bauman, also the father of two former Parkside chess players.

Make checks payable to **Chandler Elementary School**. Please return this form and your payment to the **Parkside office by Friday, October 13**.

**First chess club meeting will be Thursday, October 26; open to students in Grades 2–5. Please return form by October 13.**

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Student first and last names (printed) \_\_\_\_\_ (P)

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian contact info: Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Fees:

\_\_\_\$15\_\_\_ After-school program

\_\_\_\_\_ Add \$10 for optional Goshen Chess T-shirt (new design this year)

Shirt size: YS\_\_\_ YM\_\_\_ YL\_\_\_ AS\_\_\_ AM\_\_\_ AL\_\_\_ 1XL\_\_\_ 2XL\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Total enclosed