



19TH CHANDIGARH CHESS ACADEMY OPEN & CHILDREN PRIZE MONEY ★ CHESS FESTIVAL 2026 ★



Date:
22 - 23 August 2026



Organized by:
CHANDIGARH CHESS ACADEMY



Website: <https://chandigarhchess.com>

Venue Partner



52 PRIZES
TO BE WON

CATEGORIES
OPEN, U-14
U-11



Total Prize Fund: ₹66,000



— VENUE —

Chandigarh Baptist School
Sector 45-D, Chandigarh

At Chandigarh Chess Academy, we build thinkers—because true mastery begins with classical chess.



🏆 PRIZES					
OPEN (Boys and Girls) CATEGORY			U-14 OPEN (Boys and Girls) CATEGORY		
1 st Prize	₹ 5,100.00	Trophy	1 st Prize	₹ 5,100.00	Trophy
2 nd Prize	₹ 3,100.00	Trophy	2 nd Prize	₹ 3,100.00	Trophy
3 rd Prize	₹ 2,100.00	Trophy	3 rd Prize	₹ 2,100.00	Trophy
4 th Prize	₹ 1,500.00	Trophy	4 th Prize	₹ 1,500.00	Trophy
5 th Prize	₹ 1,200.00	Trophy	5 th Prize	₹ 1,200.00	Trophy
6 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy	6 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy
7 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy	7 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy
8 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy	8 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy
9 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy	9 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy
10th – 12th Place		Medals	10th – 12th Place		Medals
CATEGORY PRIZES					
Best Women	₹ 1,400.00	Trophy	Best U-14 Girl	₹ 1,400.00	Trophy
2 nd Best Women	₹ 1,100.00	Trophy	2 nd Best Girl	₹ 1,100.00	Trophy
3 rd Best Women	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy	3 rd Best Girl	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy
4 th Best Women		Medal	4 th Best Girl		Medal
U-11 OPEN (Boys and Girls)					
1 st Prize	₹ 5,100.00	Trophy			
2 nd Prize	₹ 3,100.00	Trophy			
3 rd Prize	₹ 2,100.00	Trophy			
4 th Prize	₹ 1,500.00	Trophy			
5 th Prize	₹ 1,200.00	Trophy			
6 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy			
7 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy			
8 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy			
9 th Prize	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy			
10th – 12th Place		Medals			
CATEGORY PRIZES					
Best U-11 Girl	₹ 1,400.00	Trophy			
2 nd Best U-11 Girl	₹ 1,100.00	Trophy			
3 rd Best U-11 Girl	₹ 1,000.00	Trophy			
4 th Best Girl		Medal			
UNDER 7 CATEGORY (Will play in U-11)					
1 st Best Under 7 Boy	₹ 1300.00	Trophy			
2 nd Best Under 7 Boy	₹ 1000.00	Trophy			
Best Under 7 Girl	₹ 1200.00	Trophy			
2 nd Best Under 7 Girl	₹ 1000.00	Trophy			



💰 **Entry Fee: ₹ 1,050/-** (Pay online at www.chandigarhchess.com)

GM/IM/WGM/WIM/FM/WFM **FREE**

🚫 **Limited Entries – May Close Anytime Without Notice**

📅 **Last Date for Registration: 19th August 2026**

📅 **With Late Fee (₹ 200): Until 20th August 2026 by 10:00 PM**

❌ **No Spot Entries allowed**

ELIGIBILITY & AGE LIMIT (Open to players from all states)

✅ **Open Category:** No age restriction

✅ **Under-14:** Born on or after 1st January 2012

✅ **Under-11:** Born on or after 1st January 2015

📌 **After successful registration, participant names will be updated within 24 hours on:**

- [Chandigarh Chess Academy Website \(https://chandigarhchess.com/\)](https://chandigarhchess.com/)
- [Chess-Results.com \(https://chess-results.com/fed.aspx?lan=1&fed=IND\)](https://chess-results.com/fed.aspx?lan=1&fed=IND)

TENTATIVE TIMINGS

Reporting Time (22/08/2026) Day 1	09:00 AM
Opening (22/08/2026) Day 1	09:45 AM
1 st Round (22/08/2026) Day 1	10:00 - 12:00 PM
2 nd Round (22/08/2026) Day 1	12:15 - 02:15 PM
Lunch Time	02:15 - 03:00 PM
3 rd Round (22/08/2026) Day 1	03:00 - 05:00 PM
4 th Round (23/08/2026) Day 2	09:00 - 11:00 AM
5 th Round (23/08/2026) Day 2	11:15 - 01:15 PM
Lunch Time	01:15 - 02:00 PM
6 th Round (23/08/2026) Day 2	02:00 - 04:00 PM
Closing Ceremony (23/08/2026) Day 2	04:30 PM

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- 📌 **Reporting Time:** All participants must report by **09:00 AM on 22nd August 2026**.
- 📄 **E-Certificates:** Every participant will receive an **e-certificate**.
- 🏆 **Prize Allocation:** Each player is eligible for only **one higher prize**.
- 🔪 **Entry Acceptance:** The organizing committee reserves the right to **accept/reject late entries**.
- 📄 **Eligibility Confirmation:** Submitting an entry **does not guarantee participation**.
- 💰 **Prize Money:** **Will not be shared** among players with equal points.
- 🚫 **Non-Refundable Entry Fee:** Once paid, the entry fee **will not be refunded**.
- 🏠 **Accommodation:** Outstation players **must arrange their own stay**.
- 📄 **Age Proof:** Parents must submit a **valid Date of Birth proof** for their children.
- ⚠️ **FIDE-Rated Players:** Must provide their **correct FIDE ID & Rating**. Incorrect details may lead to **penalties or disqualification** without appeal.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. **Tournament Format:** The tournament will be conducted under the **Swiss System**.
2. **Rounds:** The total number of rounds will be **six (6) in each category**.

3. **Time Control: 45 minutes + 15 seconds increment from move 1.**
4. **Walkover Time (Default Time):** A player will be considered forfeited if they fail to arrive within **15 minutes** of the round's start. **No requests of any kind will be entertained once the default time has elapsed.**
5. **Automatic Withdrawal:** If a player is absent for any round without prior notice, they will be **automatically withdrawn** from the tournament.
6. **Tie-Break System:**
 - a) Buchholz Cut 1 b) Buchholz c) Sonneborn-Berger d) Direct Encounter
 - e) Greater number of wins (including forfeits) f) Greater number of wins with Black pieces
7. **Rule Modifications:** The organizing committee reserves the right to **change or modify any rules** if necessary, without prior notice.
8. **Disputes & Protests:**
 - o The decision of the organizing committee will be **final and binding** in all disputes and rule interpretations.
 - o Any protest against a decision must be **submitted in writing** along with a protest fee of **Rs. 1000/-** within **15 minutes** of the incident. The fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.
9. **Conduct & Discipline:** All participants must maintain **silence and discipline** inside the tournament hall.
10. **Chess Clock Introduction:** The organizing committee **may introduce chess clocks** at any stage of any game (with a minimum of 10 minutes per player), and no appeal against this decision will be entertained.
11. **Game Analysis & Friendly Matches:** **No friendly games or game analysis** is allowed inside the tournament hall.
12. **Chess Equipment:** **International Chess Sets** will be used.
13. **Tournament Cancellation:** In case of an **unforeseen cancellation**, the organizers' obligation is **limited to refunding the entry fee only**.
14. All types of electronic devices/wrist watches/mobiles will not be allowed in the playing arena.
15. **Chess Clocks:**
 - a) Chess clocks will be provided for the **top 14 tables in each category**.
 - b) Other tables may receive clocks **subject to availability**.
 - c) **Players are encouraged to** bring their own chess clocks.

CONTACTS FOR MORE DETAILS

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Note: For greater transparency, prizes will be calculated using powerful tool Chess Prize Calculator, <https://chandigarhchess.com/organizer-tools/>

If a child learns classical chess first, they don't just play better—they think better