

Chess Camp

Instructors



Coach Clausen

Coach Clausen has been playing chess for over 20 years. He competed in scholastic tournaments as a youth and now competes in USCF (United States Chess Federation) rated tournaments all over the US. He currently holds a USCF rating of 1521.

Coach Clausen has been teaching children since 2005. In addition to visual and vocal instruction, he has developed an in class workbook to ensure that each child has learned important points of the lesson. Additionally, parents receive feedback about their child's performance on each lesson.

Coach Clausen is a USCF Tournament Director. He hosts monthly trophy tournaments for children. Tournaments are a chance to test your new skills against other children.

Coach Clausen will help your child learn in an encouraging environment.

Special Game where Coach Clausen checked out his opponent:

Bill Clausen 1474 vs Knightmv 1452 (ICC) G/5

1. e4 c5 2. d4 d6 3. dxc5 dxc5 4. Qxd8+ Kxd8 5. Bf4 f6 6. Nc3 e5
7. O-O-O+ Kc7 8. Nd5+ Kc6 9. Be3 Bg4 10. f3 Be6 11. Nc3 Ne7
12. Bb5+ Kb6 13. b4 a6 14. bxc5+ Kc7 15. Ba4 Nec6 16. Nge2 Be7
17. Nd5+ Bxd5 18. exd5 Nd4 19. d6+ Bxd6 20. cxd6+ Kxd6 21. c3 b5
22. Bb3 Nc6 23. cxd4 exd4 24. Nxd4 Nxd4 25. Rxd4+ Ke5 26. Rd5+ Ke6
27. Rxb5+ Ke7 28. Rb7+ Kd6 29. Rd1+ Ke5 30. Rd5+ Ke6
31. Rb6+ Ke7 32. Bc5+ Kf7 33. Rg5+ Ke8 34. Rxg7 Rc8 35. Ba4+ Kd8
36. Rd6# 1-0

Coach Abrahams

Creator and Head Coach of the Ravenscroft Chess Camp 2005-2008

Castle Chess Camp Counsler 2007-2008

New Hampshire State High School Champion 2005

New Hampshire Denker (national high school invitational) Representative 2005

New Hampshire Scholastic Team; Board 1 in the Championship 2005 & 2006

Boston University Open u1900 Champion 2007

Played competitive chess for almost ten years

Coached students since 2005

Students have gone on to win scholastic tournament of their own

An A class player with a current USCF rating of 1768

Vice-President of the Boston University Chess Club

Special Game where Coach Abrahams beat an expert playing a5.

Russel Haag 2076 vs Steven Abrahams 1768 (ICC) G/30 Tournament

1. e4 a5	19. Qxd5 cxd5	37. Kf2 Kd3 {White resigns} 0-1
2. d4 a4	20. dxe5 Bxe5	
3. Nf3 a3	21. Bxe5 Rxe5	
4. Nxa3 e6	22. Rfd1 f6	
5. Nc4 d5	23. Rd2 Kf7	
6. exd5 exd5	24. Rad1 Ke6	
7. Ne3 Nf6	25. Kf1 Rc8	
8. c4 c6	26. Re1 Rc6	
9. cxd5 Nxd5	27. f4 Rxe1+	
10. Nxd5 Qxd5	28. Kxe1 Rc1+	
11. Be2 Bd6	29. Kf2 d4	
12. O-O O-O	30. Kf3 Kd5	
13. b3 Bg4	31. g4 Rc3+	
14. h3 Bh5	32. Kg2 Ke4	
15. Bb2 Nd7	33. f5 Ke3	
16. Ne5 Bxe2	34. Rf2 d3	
17. Qxe2 Rfe8	35. Rf3+ Ke4	
18. Qf3 Nxe5	36. Rf1 d2	

Coach Perez

Coach Perez has been playing chess for over 30 years. He has competed in scholastic tournaments as well USCF (United States Chess Federation) rated tournaments all over the US. He is a Certified Chess Coach via the United States Chess Federation. He currently holds a USCF rating of 1810.

Coach Perez has taught chess to children, teenagers and adults. Coach Perez has also taught at private, public and independent school sites. In addition to teaching chess for personal development, Coach Perez has prepared scholastic chess teams for local, state and national tournaments.

Furthermore, Coach Perez has taught in tandem with USCF rated Chess Masters at several Chess Academy settings. The Chess Academy is a focused and vigorous environment for chess players interested in skill development, increased ratings and competition.

Special Game where Coach Perez beat a computer!

Hector Perez (1917) vs Robochess (1919) (ICC) G/1

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| 1. e4 c5 | 19. Qg7+ Ke8 |
| 2. d4 cxd4 | 20. Qxh8+ Ke7 |
| 3. Nf3 e6 | 21. Qxh4+ Kf7 |
| 4. c3 dxc3 | 22. Qh5+ Kf8 |
| 5. Bc4 Nc6 | 23. Bh6+ Kg8 |
| 6. O-O a6 | 24. Qg6+ Kh8 |
| 7. h3 Nge7 | 25. Qg7# 1-0 |
| 8. Nxc3 b5 | |
| 9. Bb3 Na5 | |
| 10. Bc2 Ng6 | |
| 11. h4 Be7 | |
| 12. h5 Nh4 | |
| 13. e5 Bb7 | |
| 14. Nxh4 Bxh4 | |
| 15. Qg4 g6 | |
| 16. hxg6 hxg6 | |
| 17. Bxg6 fxg6 | |
| 18. Qxg6+ Ke7 | |