

High School Coaches,

This is your official invitation to the 2019 NMAA State High School Team Chess Tournament!

- **Date:** The tournament will take place on the 21st and 22nd Of February. There will be two categories of competition, made up of the Small School Division (1A-3A) and the large Schools Division (4A-6A). The first round will take place on Thursday evening, followed by two to three more rounds depending on number of entries the next day.
- **Location:** The Location of the tournament is at the Ramada 2020 Menaul Blvd NE Alb 87107, mention your with the chess tournament and receive a special discount for a room.
- **Registration:** All Schools need to register by 5:45 PM on February 21st Thursday afternoon. The first round will begin at 6:30 PM, Thursday evening.
- **Schedule:** The first round will begin at 6:30 PM, Thursday evening, for Friday games at 9:00, 11:15, lunch at 1:30 and 2:30 for the final round, with an awards ceremony after the end of the last round, depending on turn out some schools may not have to stay until 2:30 round. This schedule will be for all as well as the NM Team Challenge Tourney.
- **Time Control :** G/55 Delay 5 seconds
- These tournaments will not be USCF rated but can be if both players are USCF, ask for details.
- The NM Team Challenge Tourney, a side tournament that will be run parallel to the NMAA State tournament, space is limited, so send your reregistration early.
- **Important Items:**
 - The hotel will allow outside food to be brought into the Tournament rooms.
 - There will be a 40 dollar entry fee for the tournament. Cash or checks, please. Please have all checks and/or Money orders made out to Steve Perea and send to 2550 Isleta #36 Alb NM 87105. Payment for the Tournament must be received by April 18th by mail. Payment can also be made onsite. Be sure to bring the NMAA eligibility form for your players! This form, attached, needs to be filled out and signed by the appropriate school official.
 - We encourage you to bring extra players to the tourney. The TD will pair extra players with extras from other schools. \$2 entry fee.

If you have any questions or concerns, please drop me a line at nmaachess@gmail.com or give me a call 505-315-8709. I'll see you in Albuquerque!

Steve Perea
NMAA State Chess Director