Sugar Hill Chess Team 2010-2011

The Sugar Hill Elementary Chess team is actively recruiting members for the 2010-2011 tournament season. Chess Team is for any student who wants to improve their chess playing ability and is willing to spend at least 1-2 hours per week on training and practice. Participation will include competing in scholastic chess tournaments. Chess skill and knowledge is greatly enhanced and solidified by playing against players outside your chess team. Tournaments are for players of all levels, even beginners. Last year we had players who started out with little or no tournament experience but went on to become some of our top players. In the 2009-2010 school year, in addition to many individual awards, our team won 3 Georgia state awards and 2 national awards.

Chess Team members will receive the following:

- Chess instruction including but not limited to: tactics, openings, endgame strategy and game analysis
- A one year membership to Chess Magnet School (an online training resource)
- Free entry into several 3 round "Quick Rated" chess tournaments to be held about once a month during our team meetings
- A Team Tee Shirt
- Free entry to the Georgia K-8 Team Tournament when we qualify

The membership dues are \$50 plus tournament fees. To start, please sign up for your free 30-day membership at <u>Chess Magnet School</u> and begin the exercises. The link to sign up is: http://www.chessmagnetschool.com/memberstudent.php. Be sure to put she38 in the Class Code to associate your child with the Sugar Hill Elementary class. Also, please send an email to kbsewell@yahoo.com when you sign up. Players should reach the title of "Duke" before joining the team. We are planning to have an introductory class on August 25th for all prospective new team members. This class will be free of charge but students MUST have a permission form to attend. Please call or email with any questions.

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^{*} Requires current USCF membership