

Revere Chess Club Information Sheet

The Revere Chess Club is open to RMS and RHS students. The club meets from November through the month of February, usually on Tuesday and Wednesday of each week, from 3:00pm to 5:00pm in room 125 at RHS.

The purpose of the club is to promote the game of chess, increase critical thinking skills, and provide a place for socialization among Revere students. Beginners are welcome, but concentrated instruction is not fully available until after Thanksgiving, as the start of the season is a busy time, spent qualifying players for the Varsity, Varsity Reserve, and JV teams. The club provides all chess sets and boards, so there is no need to bring your own.

Many members come to chess club just for the fun, and attendance is not mandatory or strictly monitored. Some members, however, do wish to be included in the competitive side of the club. The top five players comprise the Varsity team, the next five make up the Varsity Reserve team, and the following five make up the JV team. During the season, both teams attend Home and Away matches with teams from neighboring schools. Members not on a team, can still challenge up throughout the season, to try to win a spot on the team. For match play, the “Touch Rule” is strictly enforced, meaning that if you touch a piece, you must move that piece if possible. Touching an opponent’s piece means you must take that piece, if possible.

All members are welcome to attend Home matches, and we always have a regular club meeting going on at the same time as a Home match. During a Home match, the club meeting will conclude at the normal time of 5:00pm, however the match itself normally goes on longer—usually 5:30 for a JV match and 6:00pm for a varsity one.

Away matches are normally attended by just team members. The bus leaves promptly from the Revere Rd. entrance to RHS at 3:00pm and you can expect to return by 6:00 pm if just a JV match, and 6:30 if a varsity match. Note that on the day of an Away match, there is no regular chess club meeting held.

To see the match schedule for a given week, please ask for a copy of the schedule when it comes out in mid-November. Most matches are scheduled on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, but there are definitely exceptions.

To insure the club functions smoothly and as intended, there are some basic rules that must be followed.

1. During a club meeting, non-RHS students may not leave the room without receiving permission from the advisor or his designee. RHS students are permitted to leave the room without permission, but are expected to conduct themselves in a responsible manner.
2. Food and drink are permitted in the room, but it is expected that you will clean up after yourself.

3. We come for relaxation and fun and chess, so it is expected that each member will behave in a friendly manner, treating every one else with the respect and consideration they would like to receive.
4. The advisor has other commitments besides the club, **so if you are not able to be picked up promptly at 5:00pm, please do not attend the meeting for that particular day.**
Students should be picked up at the Everett Rd. entrance to the high school.

To cover the fees of belonging to the Greater Akron Chess League, and to cover the cost of equipment and the season-ending club tournament, pizza party, and awards presentation, each member is required to pay dues for the season in the amount of \$15.00. Checks should be made payable to the Revere Chess Club. If payment is an issue, please contact the advisor, as considerations and/or alternate arrangements can be made.

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