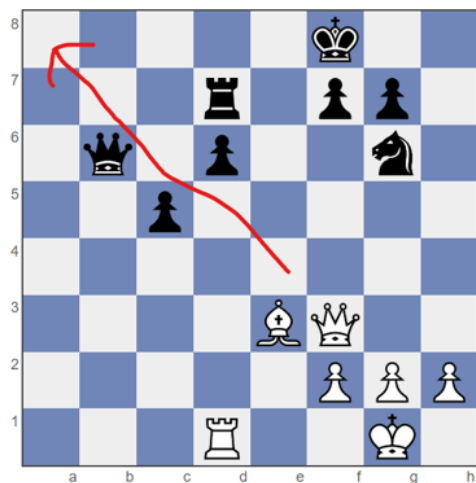


Prairie Chess Club Newsletter: Week 4 Summary

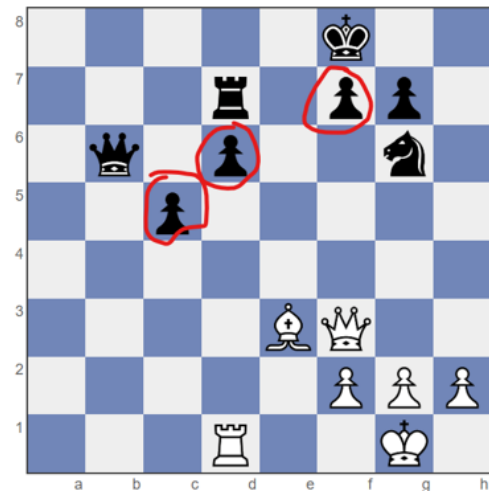
Dear Chess Club Families:

Ridge Chess Club:

Ridge students reviewed the methodology for threats, captures, and checks. Afterward, they played matches against one another. Students were grouped by experience level, with beginners receiving support from Middle School and High School volunteers. High school volunteers also helped students work through puzzles.



Example of a Check



Example of a Captures

Chess Puzzles Elementary School (Durning chess club):

#1	Luella Robison	Elementary	9
#2	Amir Traore Mama	Elementary	6
#3	Vance Trampe	Elementary	2

Chess Notation Scores Elementary School (Durning chess games):

1	Annika Mrazek	9
2	Vance Trampe	8
3	Rowan Roush	7
4	Julian Bass	7

Thank you to everyone who has been bringing in snacks. The kids especially enjoyed the donuts this past week.

Creek Chess Club:

This week, we began a bughouse team tournament, a fast-paced chess variant played in pairs on two boards. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bughouse_chess



Bughouse Setup

Chess Puzzles Middle School (Durning chess club):

#1	Eli Hoffman	Middle School	24
#2	Everett Tungsiripat	Middle School	16
#3	William Frese	Middle School	15

Chess Tournaments

Prairie Chess Tournament is planned for **10/24/2026**, and Chess in Iowa is helping us run the event. You can register here: https://www.kingregistration.com/event/CRLJ_10_26

I have a list of redeemable vouchers for registering on <https://uschess.org>. Please reach out if you need one.

There is another chess tournament planned on **November 14, 2026**.

You can register here: https://www.kingregistration.com/event/CRLJ_11_26

Allergy Form:

I'm reaching out to confirm our records regarding student allergies. Please fill out this form with any known food allergies.

Allergy Form: <https://forms.gle/NLXgJogJWam5MWdo8>

Shirt Update:

The order form has been submitted. We encountered issues with the Triblend shirts, so we switched to a Port & Company tee, which is priced at \$10.50 instead of \$12.50.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions. I'm planning to get the ChessKids accounts sent out shortly.

Thanks, Josh