



38th TAMILNADU STATE UNDER - 11 OPEN & GIRLS FIDE RATED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS - 2026

(AICF Event Code: 471851/471852/TN(S)/2026 & TNSCA APPROVAL No. SO-10/TPR/26-27)

Organized by
FRONTLINE SCHOOLS &
TIRUPUR DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION
on behalf of
TAMIL NADU STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION

Date: 27.05.2026 to 31.05.2026

Total Cash Prizes: Rs. 50,000/-

(Rs. 25,000 for Open & Rs. 25,000 for Girls)

Prizes	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 to 10
Boys	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 1250/-
Girls	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 1250/-

Normal Entry Fee: Rs.500/-

Special Entry Fee: Rs.1200/-



**Venue: Frontline Millennium School,
Peruntholuvu Road, Off Dharapuram Road,
Tirupur.**

Entries can be paid through:
<https://registration.tamilchess.com/online-entry/>

****Please note that only the players who take part in this State Championship will be permitted to represent Tamil Nadu as selected/special entries in the forthcoming National U-11 Chess Championship. Hence participation in this State Championship is COMPULSORY****

Note to District Chess Associations: Advise all your U-11 players to take part in this State Championship.

All entries, be it regular or special, should be routed through the respective district chess association on or before 19.05.2026. No entry will be entertained after 19.05.2026.

Entries / Entry fee: All entries including be normal / special entries should come through the concerned district chess association. Entries paid through online portal (<https://registration.tamilchess.com/online-entry/>) only will be accept the above championship and no other payment mode will be accepted. Players submitting their entry should upload their date of birth certificate for verification. Provisional list of players list will be prepared only after obtaining the prior recommendations from concern district chess association.

Tournament Schedule

Arrival: 27.05.2026 at 8.00 AM			Managers Meeting and Inauguration: 27.05.2026 at 9.30 AM		
1st Round	27.05.2026	11.00 AM	6th Round	29.05.2026	3.00 PM
2nd Round	27.05.2026	4.00 PM	7th Round	30.05.2026	9.30 AM
3rd Round	28.05.2026	9.30 AM	8th Round	30.05.2026	3.00 PM
4th Round	28.05.2026	3.00 PM	9th Round	31.05.2026	9.00 AM
5th Round	29.05.2026	9.30 AM	Prize Distribution	31.05.2026	2.00 PM

Eligibility: Subject to Age Stipulation

1. Only Indian nationals are eligible to participate.
2. Every affiliated District Chess Association / Special Unit of TNSCA is entitled to field two entries in each category. Only Tamil Nadu players are eligible to participate.
3. The TNSCA General Secretary can nominate one entry.
4. The top four rankers from TN State Under – 11 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2025 held at Tiruvallur.
5. The champion from TN State Under – 9 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2025 held at Trichy.
6. The host TDCA (Tirupur District Chess Association) is entitled to field one additional entries.
7. Any players who pay the prescribed entry fee: Open & Girls - Rs.1200/- may be considered for participation with recommendation of the respective District Chess Association.
8. In the event of odd entry, the host TDCA is entitled add one more entry to make total number as even in each category.
9. Those who have qualified to represent the country in official FIDE events.
10. Any Current National Champion in any category is to be seeded to All State Championships subject to age stipulation.
11. In addition to above the following Districts can field additional entries by virtue of three medal winners (Gold, Silver and Bronze) secured by their players in the last Tamil Nadu State Under – 11 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2025 held at Tiruvallur.
 - Boys: Gold (3) + Silver (2) – Chennai & Bronze (1) – Virudhunagar
 - Girls: Gold (3) – Chengalpattu, Silver (2) – Tirupattur & Bronze (1) – Chennai
12. All GMs, WGMs, IMs and WIMs are eligible to play as seeded players in the eligible category.

Chief Arbiter: Mr. Sandeep T, International Arbiter

Deputy Chief Arbiter: Mr. Jayaprakash B, International Arbiter

Tournament Coordinators

Mr. Sakthi Nandhan S, Director,
Frontline Group of Schools
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Mr. Sivan T.R, Secretary, TDCA
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Venue Coordinators

Mr. Senthil Kumar A.M,
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Physical Director, Frontline Schools
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Rules and Regulations:

<p>Age Eligibility</p>	<p>Those born on or after 01.01.2015 are eligible to participate. Age proof is required. Certificate should be from the Panchayat/Municipality or corporation obtained soon after birth. Players without the date of birth certificate will not be allowed to participate. As per the rules of AICF, only players whose dates of birth are registered within one year of their birth are permitted to take part in respective age group State/ Nationals. Other country passport holders shall not be allowed to participate in the State Chess Championship.</p>
<p>Boarding & Lodging</p>	<p>Lodging will be provided in unfurnished classrooms. Players are requested to bring their own beddings. Separate accommodation will be given for boys and girls. First preference will be given to seeded/selected players and one manager per team. For special entry players, rooms are subject to availability. Canteen facilities are available on payment basis at the school premises itself.</p> <p>Players are requested to confirm the accommodation on or before 20.05.2026.</p>
<p>AICF Player Registration</p>	<p>AICF player registration is compulsory for all players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs.300/- for the year 2026 – 2027. AICF player registrations will be accepted only through online. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Championship). For renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click http://aicf.in/players/ and click extend membership. For (New) Fresh AICF registration please click http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/</p> <p>For fresh AICF registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address(unique) not used by any other person/ player for AICF, ready before the registration process.</p> <p>Note: Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.</p>
<p>TNSCA Player Registration</p>	<p>TNSCA player registration is compulsory for all Tamil Nadu players. TNSCA Player Registration fee is Rs.150/- for the year 2026 – 2027. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Tournament). New entrants to the field of chess are informed that TNSCA players registration is mandatory and it should be done well before participating in any tournament.</p> <p>For renewing TNSCA player registration of existing players, please click https://registration.tamilchess.com/</p> <p>For fresh TNSCA registration please click https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/</p> <p>For fresh TNSCA registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address ready before the registration process.</p> <p>Note : Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.</p>

Rules and Regulations:

Tirupur District Player Registration	TDCA Registration fee is Rs.75/- for the year 2026 – 2027 (for Tirupur district players only)
Default Time	Default time is 15 minutes. Players have to be at the boards within 15 minutes from the start of the round.
Rules	FIDE rules in force shall apply.
System of play	The Tournament shall be conducted on a nine rounds Swiss System.
Time Control	90 minutes each plus 30 seconds increment from the move one.
Tie-break	Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz, Sonneborn Berger Direct encounter, and number of wins (forfeit included) & Number of wins with Black pieces tie-break rules will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared.
Wrist Watches	As per the AICF regulations, all sort of wrist watches are prohibited while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear wrist watches while playing. It will lead to loss of the game.
Appeals Committee	An Appeals Committee comprising five members, three main members plus two reserves will be formed at the managers meeting. All the members and reserves shall be from different districts. No member of the committee can vote on dispute in which a player from his own district is involved and in such case(s), the reserve member takes his/her place. The decision of the appeals committee is final and binding on all players concerned.
Tournament Committee	The tournament committee consisting of the General Secretary, TNSCA or his representative, the host Tirupur DCA Secretary or his representative and representative from another district to be nominated by the TNSCA shall decide on all emergency matters.
Protest	Protest, if any against the decision of the Chief arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.1000/- within 15 minutes from the completion of the game. The decisions of the appeals committee shall be final and binding on all concerned. The protest fee is a refundable one if the protest is upheld.
Withdrawals	A player may withdraw from the tournament at any stage after informing the Chief Arbiter in writing.
Arrears	The players belonging to Districts which are in arrears to TNSCA will not be allowed to take part.
Rights of Admission	The TNSCA/organizer TPR DCA reserves the rights of admission to the venue and lodging place.

Rules and Regulations:

Silence in the Tournament Hall	Strict silence must be observed in the Tournament Hall. Players who have finished their games shall not remain in the tournament hall. Players shall not analyse the game in the tournament hall.
Participation certificate	E-certificates to all participants will be issued only by TNSCA after the completion of the championships.
Instruction to the District Chess Associations	While sending the entries, District Chess Associations should certify that the players have been duly selected from the selection/District Chess Championship giving details of venue and date. If such a certificate is not sent, all their entries will be treated as special entries.

THE PREVIOUS WINNERS LIST

S. No.	Year	District	Boys	Girls
1	1989	Coimbatore	T. K. Chandrasekar	A. Chithra Selvi
2	1990	Pollachi	Y. Syed Anwar Shazuli	S. Sujatha
3	1991	Salem	G. Vinod	A. Vidhya
4	1992	Madurai	N. Kedar	S. Cynthia
5	1993	Madurai	K. Sasikaran	S. Sasirekha
6	1994	Madurai	R.R. Laxman	S. Sasirekha
7	1995	Madurai	S. Karthik	P. Sumathi
8	1996	Selaiyur	S. Karthik	C. Delphin
9	1997	Coimbatore	M.R. Venkatesh	K. Charanya
10	1998	Chennai	J. Deepan Chakravarthy	M. Kasthuri
11	1999	Sivakasi	R. Siddarth	P. Priya
12	2000	Chennai	B.R. Kidambi	Ishwarya Shobana
13	2001	Salem	T. Abbay	G. Sowmiya
14	2002	Thiruvallur	Aswin Jayaram	Anjanaa N Sowjanya
15	2002	Madurai	S.P. Sethuraman	Pon N Krithika

16	2003	Karaikudi	B. Adhiban	Pon N Krithika
17	2004	Chennai	N. Srinath	C. Savetha
18	2005	Trichy	Ajay Srikanth	J. Vaishnavi
19	2006	Tirupur	Ajay Srikanth	J. Vaishnavi
20	2007	Madurai	S. Koushik	Se. Meenupriya
21	2008	Hosur	Karthikeyan Murali	G.K. Monnisha
22	2009	Salem	B. Kumaran	U. Ashwini
23	2010	Karaikudi	Karthikeyan Murali	R. Vaishali
24	2011	Madurai	M. Arvind	R. Vaishali
25	2012	Mannargudi	M. Arvind	R. Vaishali
26	2013	Chennai	R. Prajesh	C. Lakshmi
27	2014	Trichy	Harshavardhan GB	Lakshmi C
28	2015	Nagapattinam	Balasubramanian H	Jyothsna L
29	2016	Namakkal	Srihari L R	Meenatchi Rajam V
30	2017	Erode	Nikhil Magizhnan	Yashavishree N
31	2018	Kanchipuram	Harsh Suresh	Ratnapriya K
32	2019	Neyveli	Midilesh MS	Mridulashree R
33	2022	Rajapalayam	Vignesh Kannan P	Theephigaa K P
34	2022	Villupuram	Adharsh K	ShanmathiSree S
35	2023	Namakkal	Pranav Sai Ram R S	Charudharshini R
36	2024	Salem	Aarav A	Pavithra R V
37	2025	Tiruvallur	Sarvesh E	Srinika S
38	2026	Tirupur	It could be you!	It could be you!

Organizing Committee

Tournament Director: Mr. Sakthi Nandhan S, Director,
Frontline Group of Schools

Tournament Committee

TNSCA General Secretary - Mr. P. Stephen Balasamy

TNSCA Joint Secretary - Mr. S. Ramesh

TDCA Secretary - Mr. T. R. Sivan

Tirupur District Chess Association

Mr. K. P. K. Selvaraj, President

Mr. T. R. Sivan, Secretary

Mr. R. Rajendran, Treasurer

Food & Accommodation

- Free unfurnished Classroom Accommodation will be provided to the players and accompanying persons.

Note:

1. This will be provided on a First Come First Serve basis.
2. It is compulsory to fill in the Google form to avail accommodation facilities.
3. Accommodation available from the evening of 26th May 2026 to 31st May 2026 afternoon.

- Food will be available from the canteen on a paid basis.

Click on the link below to join the WhatsApp group.

https://chat.whatsapp.com/EUHlleTB7cs7PHhcMMP134?mode=gi_t

Fill the Google Form for accommodation.

<https://forms.gle/iT8x9VMSzo9aiBHBA>

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