

2018 Kansas Open Chess Championship

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Dates: Friday, July 13, for Blitz and Bughouse, July 14 - July 15, for Open Championship

Location: Clarion Hotel, 95th and I-35 in Lenexa, KS (same site as 2016 Kansas Open)

Room rates: \$92 (for standard King bed room, King bed with roll away, standard double bed room)
\$94 (for adjoining rooms with King beds) very limited number of standard double bed rooms because of soccer event in town. Free Wi-Fi in all rooms and complimentary parking. Reservations must be made by June 1st (afterwards only on availability basis) – call 913-217-1000 to get special rate

Hotel website: <https://www.choicehotels.com/kansas/lenexa/clarion-hotels/ks269>

Note: KCA Annual Meeting, which runs 8 – 9 AM. KCA membership must be current to vote.

Kansas Open 7/14 & 7/15 (Three sections)

Entry Fee: \$45 advance, must be postmarked by July 7th, \$55 thereafter, including onsite (for GM and IM entry fee see note at end of flier)

Special Advance Discount: There is an extra \$10 discount for those entering both the Kansas Open and the Kansas Blitz, in advance. **Scholastic Discount:** Scholastic players (K-12 students) who do NOT want to compete for cash prizes but instead play for one of two plaques in Reserve or Amateur, can enter the Reserve or Amateur sections for \$10. Scholastics can play in Open section for \$10, but there are no plaques for them in that section except for State Champion plaque (see special note, below, about arrangement with Kansas Scholastic Chess Association- KSCA- for possible free entry).

USCF & KCA membership required: KCA Membership is \$10 for family, \$7 for adults, and \$5 for juniors (18 and under). USCF and KCA memberships sold onsite. Kansas Chess Association membership required for all Kansas residents. Out of state players are welcome.

On-site Registration: 6:00-7:00pm on 7/13 or 8:30am-9:30am on 7/14

5 Round SS: 7/14 - 10:00, 2:30, 7:00; 7/15 – 9:30, 2:00 (last round could start earlier). A single, 1/2 point bye is available any round upon request, but must be requested before the start of the 2nd round.

Time Controls (for Open, Reserve, and Amateur sections): **Game in 120 minutes, with 5 second delay**

Three Sections!: **Open Section** – Open to all, **Reserve Section** – 1799 and below, **Amateur**- 1399 and below

Prizes: Prizes based on 80 total non-scholastic rate entries in three sections (Open + Reserve + Amateur)

Open Section: 1st = \$350, 2nd = \$250, and 3rd = \$150

U1900: 1st = \$120

Bonus prize of \$25 and trophy to top player from Kansas (State Champion)

Reserve Section: 1st = \$300, 2nd = \$200, 3rd = \$100

1599 and below: 1st = \$75

Bonus prize of \$25 and trophy for top player from Kansas

Amateur Section 1st = \$250, 2nd = \$150, 3rd = \$75

1199 and below- \$50

Bonus prize of \$25 and trophy to top player from Kansas

NOTE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR SCHOLASTIC PLAYERS WHO MUST PLAY IN STATE SCHOLASTIC TOURNAMENT TO QUALIFY- KSCA (scholastic) players may play in the Kansas Open this summer for free (only open or reserve, not quick or bughouse).

To play free the player has to meet the following list of the qualifications

1. Play in the KSCA state tournament- March 10, 2018 in Lawrence, KS
2. Free entry is only for scholastic rate, may choose to play at the adult rate
3. Must pre-register for the event (not onsite)
4. Have a current USCF membership, may purchase at tournament. (Cheaper online) See [USCF Membership](#)
5. Must have a current KCA membership, may purchase at tournament (recommend advance purchase)
6. Free Entry not eligible for side events (not blitz or bughouse), may still play in those events

Kansas Blitz Chess Championship 7/13 (using Double-Round swiss G/5)

Entry Fee: \$25 advance, must be postmarked by July 7th, \$35 thereafter including onsite (see note on previous page concerning special combined advanced entry discount (\$10) for those playing in both Kansas Blitz and Kansas Open)

USCF Membership- required of all. **KCA membership-** required of all Kansas residents (both sold onsite) Other states welcome with no requirement for state membership.

Scholastic Discount: Scholastic players (K-12 students only) who do NOT want to be eligible for cash prizes and instead play for one of three plaques, the entry fee is \$10 (no free entry for scholastic players in this event)

Onsite Registration: 6-7 PM on 7/13 at Clarion Hotel main playing hall

5 rounds SS: 7, 7:30, 8, 8:30, 9 PM

Time Control: Each game in 5 minutes using highest USCF rating, be it Regular, Quick, or Blitz for pairings and for prizes (no time delay). Tourney is 5-Double-Round Swiss System, 10 games total (each round is two games, one White and one Black)

Prizes All prizes for Blitz Championship are based on 40 non-scholastic rate entries

1st = 200, 2nd = \$120, 3rd = 80

U2100- \$60, U1800- \$60, U1500 & unrated- \$60

Bonus Prize of \$25 and trophy to top player from Kansas (State Blitz Chess Champion)

Prize money for Blitz will not be paid until 7/14/18.

Kansas Bughouse Championship-7/13

Entry Fee: \$10 per person (\$20 total for two-player team - pay on-site)

USCF & KCA membership: are **NOT** required

Onsite Registration: 3:30 pm till 4 pm

Either 4 or 5 Round SS: Starts at 4 pm, number of rounds at discretion of tourney director

Time Control: G/5 minutes, blitz with no time delay, two games versus each team

Prizes: 75% entry fees go towards Prize fund: trophies to each member of winning team
2/3 prize money goes to first place team, 1/3 prize money goes to second place team
(see rules on next page)

All Entries: Laurence Coker, 8013 W. 145th St, Overland Park, KS 66223

Call 913-851-1583 or email wlcoker7@hotmail.com

Checks should be made out to "Kansas Chess Association"

NOTES: Tie-breaks if necessary to determine Blitz, Open, Reserve, and Amateur champions: 1) Solkoff, (2) Cumulative, (3) Modified Median and (4) Median . No Insufficient losing chances for all events at the 2017 Kansas Open. Players are expected to know the rules in the U.S. Chess Federation's Official Rules of Chess - 6th edition and any updated rule changes since the 6th edition.

If more than 30 in a section, accelerated pairs may be use for that section.

As stated on previous page- Annual Kansas Chess Association meeting is 8 to 9 am on 7/15 in main playing area.

Last note: Free entry for International Masters and Grandmasters with entry fee taken out of any winnings. Thus, if no money won, then no money owed. If entering Blitz plus Open and \$300 won, then \$60 is taken out of \$300. If just entering Blitz \$25 can be taken out. If just entering Open, \$45 can be taken out. Free entry does not apply to Bughouse.