



# Cincinnati Scholastic Chess (CSC) announces its first-ever **Winter Break Online Chess Event**

We will use [www.chess.com](http://www.chess.com) to host this event. USCF ratings will NOT be affected.

**Dates & times:** Sunday–Thursday, Dec 27– 31, 2020. Play begins at **10:00 am** and ends around noon.

**Format:** 5-round, Swiss tournaments. There will be a different number of tournaments each day.

**Ratings:** Chess.com Rapid ratings will be used; anyone without a chess.com Rapid rating may still enter and will earn one. Anyone who does not have an account at [www.chess.com](http://www.chess.com) must create one before entering. It is simple and free to create a basic account.

**Prizes: Personalized trophies** based on points accumulated during the event, counting the **best 3 scores** out of 5 tournaments. **Personalized medals** for individual perfect scores.

**Entry fee:** \$49 – includes 5 daily tournaments; no refunds/discounts for missing a tournament.

**Entry deadline:** Noon, Saturday, December 26.

## Daily tournaments details are as follows:

<b>Sunday, December 27:</b>	SIX* tournaments at G/12 +2
<b>Monday, December 28:</b>	FIVE* tournaments at G/11 +2
<b>Tuesday, December 29:</b>	FOUR* tournaments at G/10 +2
<b>Wednesday, December 30:</b>	THREE* tournaments at G/10 +1
<b>Thursday, December 31:</b>	TWO* tournaments at G/10 +0

\*The number of tournaments is projected and depends on the number of players entered. Tournament rating limits are determined daily and are based on chess.com Rapid ratings for the entered players. Players may play up. CSC reserves the right to require a player to play up when deemed appropriate.

## Prize details are as follows:

**Trophies** are awarded based on total points scored, counting the best 3 of 5 tournament scores. Players may play on whatever days they choose, from one to five, but in order to accumulate enough points to win a trophy, they must score points in at least three tournaments. A perfect trophy score would be 15.0 (3 scores of 5.0). In addition, anyone scoring 5.0 in any one tournament will receive a **medal** to commemorate the perfect performance. Prizes will be *personalized with the winner's name* and, whenever possible, *home-delivered* in southwest Ohio by Dr. Brackenridge.

<b>Platinum Level</b> (39" trophy):	<b>13.5 points*</b>
<b>Gold Level</b> (33" trophy):	<b>12.5 points</b>
<b>Silver Level</b> (27" trophy):	<b>11.5 points</b>
<b>Bronze Level</b> (21" trophy):	<b>10.5 points</b>

**\*Dr. Brackenridge thinks no one can score this many points; he wants someone to prove him wrong!**

To enter online, visit <https://www.chesscincinnati.com/csc-online/>.

***We hope to see you in this tournament series (virtually) as we conclude an unusual year with some more online chess competition during winter break!***