



# CalChess States Championship 2011 Orientation Information

## I have registered, now what?

1. Relax! This event is being run by best trained professionals in the country. 😊
2. Please check [BayAreaChess.com/states11](http://BayAreaChess.com/states11) to check your entry before coming to confirm that you are registered in the correct section and that all your information is accurate.
3. If you find any errors, please email [ask@BayAreaChess.com](mailto:ask@BayAreaChess.com) with your name, listed section, and correct information.
4. Please check the schedule for your section at [CalChessScholastics.org/rounds.php](http://CalChessScholastics.org/rounds.php).
5. If there is a \$ sign in your name, please bring cash to settle your payment *after* the first round starts and before the second round starts.
6. If you need to miss a round for any reason, please email us at [ask@BayAreaChess.com](mailto:ask@BayAreaChess.com) before Friday 5pm.
7. Please bring power strips because there will be limited number of outlets.
8. We will try to have pairings and standings online at [BayAreaChess.com/states11](http://BayAreaChess.com/states11) before you rise and shine.
9. Monroi is the only recording device allowed. Monrois are available for sale the Toby Chess for \$359 each.

**Everyone have fun tonight!**  
**Everyone Bughouse tonight!**

Fun Events for Everyone

**Fri 6:30-8:30pm: Blitz**

**Sat 6:30-8:30pm: Bughouse**

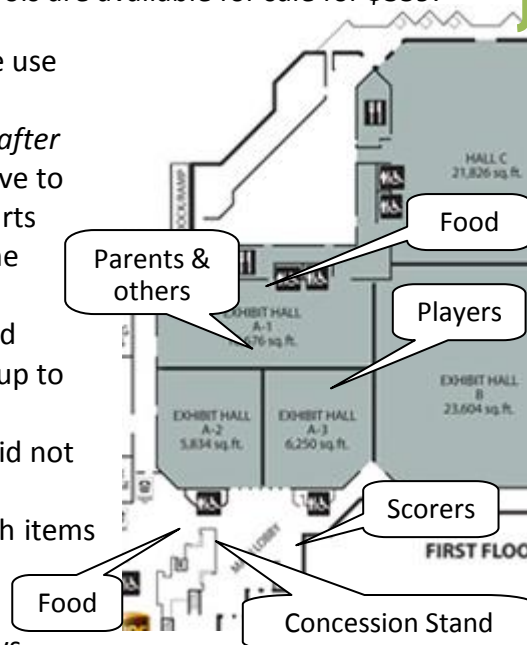
There is a coffee and food cart in the lobby and hot grill in Hall A with items for \$3 and up. No outside food is allowed!

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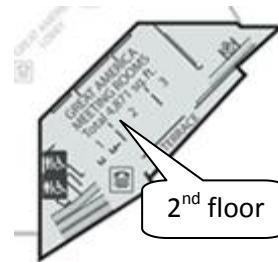
## Getting there!

1. Please aim to arrive by 8:20am. The tournament is at Santa Clara Convention Center at [5001 Great American Pkwy., Santa Clara, CA 95054](http://5001GreatAmericanPkwy.com). Please use free parking in the Convention Center's parking deck.
2. *If there is a \$ sign in your name, please settle your payment in cash after the first round starts and before the second round starts. You will have to pay a late penalty of \$5 for every round after the first round that starts before you settle your account. You are likely to be dropped from the tournament if you do not pay your dues before fourth round starts.*
3. Toby Chess has a concession stand with chess equipment, books, and software. Please support their business because they have stepped up to support our tournament.
4. If you ordered a T-shirts, please pick it from the Toby Chess. If you did not order a T-shirt, you may buy it onsite for \$20 (while supplies last).
5. There is a coffee and food cart in the lobby and hot grill in Hall A with items for \$3 and up. No outside food is allowed in the convention center!
6. Wi-Fi access is available in the lobby and the hall for \$12.95/day.
7. KG, all booster, and 4-6 Premier sections play in Hall A-3 on both days.

Visit Toby Chess concession stand for chess supplies, software, and T-shirts. Monrois are available for sale for \$359.



8. 6-8 Premier, 9-12 Premier, and all championship sections play in Great America rooms on the second floor.
9. Parents & Family may wait in Hall A-1, Hall A-2, and lobby area on both days.
10. The team rooms are upstairs. You can go there on escalator located in the lobby.



## I am here, now what?

1. Recall your section... If you forgot your section, panic! 😊 No, look for the master alphabetical list to look up your section.
2. Consult the pairings chart outside the playing hall to find out color, opponent, and board number for your game. The posted pairing chart will look something like the one on the right.
  - a. Look for your name in the first column. This row with your name tells you the color of your pieces, your opponent's name, and the board number.
  - b. In the example, one player is directed to "See TD" because the section has an odd number of players. If you see this next to your name, please wait next to the computer TD area.
3. As you enter the player area, please locate your board by the assigned board number.
4. Once you locate your board, double check your opponent's name and assigned color of pieces!
5. Directors and volunteers will ask all adults to leave the playing room before games begin in every round.
  - a. Please comply promptly and efficiently.
  - b. Inform your child (player) where you will meet him or her when s/he completes the game.
  - c. If you are taking care of a Kindergartner, please remain at the entrance of Hall A. We will only allow Kindergartners to leave if there is an adult present to receive him/her.
6. Non-players in the playing hall must observe pin-drop silence. The slightest noise will prompt removal.
7. Players, when you are done with your game:
  - a. Report your result to the TD and reset the board.
  - b. Go to the Scorers' table and report your result there as well.
8. Players may only use restrooms in the lobby during their games and non-players are not allowed there. Please go to the restroom a few minutes before every round.
9. If you need to miss a round, please let the TD know ASAP so you are not dropped.
10. If you need help at any time, please stop by at the Information Desk. They will attempt to resolve all issues.
11. The trophy ceremonies will be held in Hall A on Saturday and Sunday.
12. If you see the Directors and VIPs (Volunteering Important Persons), please thank them for making this event possible. Be nice to them and encourage them to return next year.

Player	Color	Opponent	Board
Azhar, Aamir	White vs.	Langland, Steel (900)	on board 4
Azhar, Yousef	Black vs.	George, Daniel (900)	on board 3
George, Daniel	White vs.	Azhar, Yousef (900)	on board 3
Langland, Jorda	Black vs.	Sankar, Arvind (1700)	on board 2
Langland, Steel	Black vs.	Azhar, Aamir (1700)	on board 4
McCain III, John	Black vs.	Obama, Barack (unr)	on board 1
Obama, Barack	White vs.	McCain III, John (unr)	on board 1
Palin, Sarah		See TD	
Sankar, Arvind	White vs.	Langland, Jorda (900)	on board 2

I thank you for attending this event and am honored to organize this with the help of many volunteers and tournament directors. I thank CalChess for the confidence placed in me and ask the guests to excuse any shortcomings. If things go well it is due to all the help and if they do not then it is my responsibility and I apologize in advance... Enjoy & Good Luck!

Salman Azhar, Ph.D.,  
Chief Organizer for CalChess Scholastic State Championships 2008-2012.

Please do not ask us to waive any fees because that would be unfair to others. The cancelation policy states no refunds in the last month (see [calchessscholastics.org/register.php](http://calchessscholastics.org/register.php)).