

Connecticut State Chess Association

2021-2022 National Nominations Rules & Information

1. **Denker (grades 9-12), Barber (grades 6-8) and Rockefeller (grades K-5).** For the 2021-2022 cycle year, the Connecticut Nominee and Alternate for the US Chess National Denker, Barber and Rockefeller Tournaments of Champions will be selected via the 2022 Connecticut Scholastic K-12 Championships, to be held on April 3, 2022 at Ludlowe Middle School (Fairfield). The CSCA President or their designee will nominate eligible Connecticut Champions and runners up in the High, Middle and Elementary School sections as the 2022 Connecticut Denker, Barber and Rockefeller nominees and alternates, respectively.

2. **Irwin (Senior) and Haring (Girls).** The CSCA is in the process of organizing the qualification tournaments for the Irwin and Haring Tournaments of Champions. The events are expected to be finalized in the next few weeks. If for any reason these qualification tournaments are unable to proceed, a rating-based selection process will be organized.

3. **Eligibility.** Any Connecticut player, who meets the category qualifications of the invitational events, is eligible for nomination.

4. **“Connecticut Player”.** For the purpose of these rules, a “Connecticut player” is any player who resides, attends school or maintains a place of employment or self-employment in the state of Connecticut. Players may be requested to provide proof of eligibility. The CSCA reserves the right to limit or expand the definition of “residence”, “school attendance” and “employment” to fit the good faith intent of the nomination process and the rules of the national events.

5. **CSCA Membership.** All candidates for nomination must be CSCA members. CSCA membership is automatically bestowed on all players participating in a CSCA tournament event, including any qualifying tournament. However, if a qualifying tournament is not held and selection is through alternate means, CSCA membership may be obtained on the CSCA [website](#).

6. **Exceptions.** The CSCA President shall not nominate any player, who was previously nominated as a Connecticut Chapter representative to the US Chess Tournaments of Champions and failed to participate without reasonable and adequate notice to US Chess and the CSCA.

7. **Appeal.** Any player determined ineligible for nomination may file with the CSCA President at chess.CSCA@gmail.com, no later than April 15, 2022, a Petition for Review, clearly stating the basis for review and providing all evidence in support of their petition. If, after receiving the petition, the President remains unable to consider the player for nomination, the President will convene the CSCA Board to consider the petition. The Board may request or permit a request by the candidate to appear and address the Board.

8. **Post-Nomination Rules and Information.** Post-nomination rules and information will be provided to all nominees and alternates following their qualifying event and eligibility confirmation.

Questions in reference to these tournaments and the selection process can be directed to the CSCA at chess.CSCA@gmail.com.

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