

## 2021 CONNECTICUT STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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- Date & Time:** Saturday, December 4, 2021 (snow date: December 5, 2021)  
Rounds at 9:30a, 12p, 2:30p and 5p; Awards by 8 PM  
**NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION. Registration ends December 3 at 7 PM.**  
**VACCINATION and MASKS REQUIRED. See policies, notes [4], [5] below.**
- Location:** Wesleyan University  
Exley Science Center  
265 Church Street  
Middletown, CT
- Rounds/  
Time Control:** 4 Rounds SS, G/55 d5. USCF rated.  
One ½ pt bye permitted in Rounds 1-3; must commit by end of registration.
- Sections:** 2 Sections:  
Championship (limited to 16 entries, see notes [2] and [3] for details);  
Open.  
***Connecticut players only—see definition, note [1] below.***
- Prizes:** Championship: \$500-350-250-200-150. Trophy to State Champion.  
Open: \$300-200-150-125-100. Top U1600, U1200, U800 \$100 each.  
Trophy, clock and book prizes to top Female, Unrated, Collegiate, High, Middle  
players in Open.  
Collegiate Team: Trophy to top three collegiate teams in Open.
- Entry price:** \$70 by November 30.  
\$90 by December 3 at 7 PM.  
Register [online](#). **NO on-site registration.**  
Includes CSCA event membership status to 12/4/2022.  
[Vaccination Attestation](#) required as part of registration, see note [4] below.
- Players conditions to GMs and IMs (not deducted from prize).  
Free entry in Championship Section to:
- Players rated 2400 and over
  - Winner of the 2020 CT Senior Championship
  - Winner of the 2020 CT High School Championship
- 2020 State Championship entries honored
- USCF rated. Connecticut players only, note [1] below.  
Bring sets and clocks.

## **Notes:**

[1] **Connecticut player.** For the purpose of these Championships, a “Connecticut player” is  
(a) any player whose state is designated Connecticut (“CT”) with U.S. Chess, or  
(b) any player whose state is not designated “CT” with U.S. Chess, but who (i) resides, (ii) attends school or (iii) is employed or self-employed in the state of Connecticut.

Event entrants pursuant to section (b) will provide proof of eligibility.

[2] **Championship Section Entry Limits.** Entry in the Championship section is limited to the top 14 players by rating and the two event Champion invitees—2020 Senior and 2020 High School Champions. If an invitee declines to participate, an additional rating-based entry will be permitted. Additionally, except for Champion invitees, a minimum rating of 2000 is required to participate in the Championship section.

[3] **Playoff Tiebreak in Championship Section.** In case of a tie score for 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Championship Section, a playoff will immediately follow Round 4. The playoff format will be as follows: G/10 d5 with reversed colors. If players not played, USCF tie breaks determine choice of color. If still tied, Armageddon game with reversed colors G/5v4. If multiple players are tied for 1st place, players will be paired highest finishing against lowest finishing and so on based on USCF tie breaks (NCAA March Madness format), and each playoff round will result in elimination of the losing player. If the number of players in the first playoff round is other than 2, 4, 8 or 16, the highest finishing players on USCF tie breaks will advance without play to the second playoff round to conform to the 2-4-8-16 format. Playoff affects trophy and Champion title only.

[4] **COVID-19 vaccination and completion of site attestation are required** for participation in this event. Pursuant to Wesleyan University policy, no person is permitted inside campus buildings unless they are two weeks removed from the date of receipt of their final vaccination dose. As part of registration, all players are required to complete the Wesleyan University [Visitor Vaccination Attestation Form](#). Unvaccinated individuals are not permitted in campus buildings and to participate in this event. Any player, who fails to complete the Attestation by end of registration, shall be denied entry. Performance under this mandate is subject to legal and site policy remedies, as well as U.S. Chess and CSCA ethics reviews. The site or the organizer may request players to present proof of vaccination.

[5] **COVID-19 Protocols Apply.** In addition to the attestation requirement under note [4], no on-site entries are permitted. All players and family members must wear masks at all times while indoors, including in the playing and waiting areas. Only one accompanying adult is permitted per player. Number of persons in any room may also be restricted.

[6] **Rating Supplement.** Dec 2021 USCF Rating Suppl. used for section entry, pairings and prizes.

[7] **Contact.** All questions/inquiries to [events.CSCA@gmail.com](mailto:events.CSCA@gmail.com).

[8] **Refunds/Cancellation Policy:** To withdraw registration or request a refund, email your request to [events.CSCA@gmail.com](mailto:events.CSCA@gmail.com) no later than December 3 at 8 PM. Refund requests not received by email or received after the above deadline, will not be honored. Refunds are subject to \$15 administrative fee.