

Results from the Rockford Chess Challenge – Fall 2009

138 students from 22 schools competed at the Rockford Chess Challenge on Saturday October 24th hosted by Washington School.

First place individual winners

- Kindergarten - Loral Hess (Spectrum)
- 1st Grade - Tanishk Vijaywargiya (Spectrum)
- 2nd Grade - Sengdao Inthavong (Washington) *A perfect score!*
- 3rd Grade (tie) - Rutu Bhalavat (Washington)
- Matthew(Dmocchowski (St Rita)
- 4th Grade (tie) - Max Tenin (Washington)
- Evan Tsubaki (Montessori Private)
- Yug Mahajan (Montessori Private)
- 5th Grade - Grant Germano (Washington) *A perfect score!*
- 6th Grade (tie) - Vincent Do (Washington) *A perfect score!*
(a 2nd grader playing up)
- Stephen Do (Washington) *A perfect score!*
(a 5th grader playing up)
- Sam Rinaldo (Washington) *A perfect score!*
- 7th Grade (tie) - Benji Bear (Washington)
- Paul Zaczek (Washington)
- 8th Grade (tie) - Zachary Larsen (Hallstrom) *A perfect score!*
- Wyatt Tufte (Washington) *A perfect score!*

Special Awards

"Best Unrated Player" medals awarded to

- Grade 1: Danny Baker (Spectrum)
- Grade 2: Michael Sturm (Rockford Lutheran)
- Grade 3: Andrew Schwartz (Washington)
- Grade 4: Matthew Werkheiser (Pearl City)
- Grade 5: Peter Herrmann (Spectrum)
- Grade 6: Hayden Keltner (Pearl City)

Grade 7: Henry Simpson (Pearl City)

"Biggest Upset" medals awarded to:

Grade 1: Spencer Munch (Rockford Christian)

Grade 2: Nikolas Stadelman (Washington)

Grade 3: Jade Keomanivong (Washington)

Grade 4: TJ Hardy (Hallstrom)

Grade 5: Cameron Strandin (Spectrum)

Grade 6: Logan Rogers (RESA)

Grade 7: Claire Gillen (Spectrum)

Grade 8: Rayomand Tata (Washington)

For more information about Rockford chess tournaments, check the web site
<http://www.RockfordChess.Org>.