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Chess camp for kids set for June 4-8

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Youngsters who are interested in chess are invited to expand their knowledge of the game during a summer day camp at Georgia Southern University.

The annual chess camp for children in grades K-12 will run from Monday, June 4, through Friday, June 8, in the Nessmith-Lane Continuing Education Building.

There will be separate sessions for beginners and advanced players. Both sessions will be taught by U.S. Chess Federation master Rex Demers, who has more than 24 years of coaching experience.

The session for beginners will run from 9 a.m. until noon each day. This session is open to children who will be in grades 2-12 in Fall 2007. Participants will learn standard and specialty chess rules, basic stalemate and checkmate patterns, and how to record moves so that a game can be re-enacted.

The session for advanced players will run from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. each day. This session is open to children who will be in grades K-12 in Fall 2007. Participants will learn mid-game strategy, king and pawn endgames, advanced mating patterns, sacs, and how to choose an opening repertoire that suits their own style of play.

The registration fee is $140 per person, but it will increase to $155 per person after Friday, May 18. The fee does not include lunch or snacks.

The camp is sponsored by the Continuing Education Center at Georgia Southern. To register, visit http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/conted/campchess.html or call (912) 681-5551.

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