2027 College Scholarships
$750 each

Play More Chess Academy (PMCA) and Hamden Chess Club (HCC) are pleased to offer the following college scholarships:

Up to two $750 College Scholarships are available annually. A student is eligible to apply for this college scholarship if they are a class of 2027 graduating high school senior and are planning to attend college in Fall 2027. Successful applicants will have had at least some involvement with PMCA and/or HCC programs over the years (i.e. classes, lessons, summer program, casual play or tournaments).

Applicants should submit the following to info@playmorechess.com:

- A high school transcript (unofficial is fine) showing a 3.3 GPA or higher.
- An essay (minimum 250 words) on what chess means to them. Please include, either as part of the essay or separately, any ways in which applicant has been involved with PMCA and/or HCC over the years (i.e. classes, lessons, summer program, casual play or tournaments).

Next Steps:

- Scholarship winners will receive notification by June 1, 2027. If you are notified that you have been selected to receive an award you would then need to submit a photo of yourself to be used in the announcement of the annual scholarship winner(s). In addition to the photo, please list the name of the College/University you will be attending and your major (or initial field of interest).
- The scholarship award check will be distributed to you directly at a mutually agreed time.

Photo release:

By applying for this scholarship you give permission for an image of yourself, if a scholarship winner, to be used solely for the promotion of chess education and program activities of Play More Chess Academy and the Hamden Chess Club, and waive any rights of compensation or ownership thereto.

Application deadline: May 15, 2027

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