

Polk Scholastic Chess

Privacy Policy and Terms of Use

Welcome to the Web site for the Polk Scholastic Chess, a Florida not-for-profit corporation. The following describes how we handle information we may learn about you when you visit our Web site. *Children under the age of 13 should not use this site without the supervision of a parent or guardian.*

As used in this Privacy Policy, the words “you” and “your” refer to any person accessing the Polk Scholastic Chess Web site. The words “we,” “us,” and “our” refer to Polk Scholastic Chess.

Information We Collect When You Visit Our Web site

The information you may provide in visiting our Web site falls into two broad categories: Personally Identifiable Information, and Aggregate Information. “*Personally Identifiable Information*” is information that can be used to identify or contact you, such as your name, e-mail address, telephone number or mailing address; and “*Aggregate Information*” is information that does not identify you, and may include, for example, statistical information concerning the pages on our Web site that users most frequent. Our Privacy Policy governs both categories of information.

Personally Identifiable Information We Collect Concerning All Users

We collect Personally Identifiable Information when you submit questions or comments to us, request information or materials about our organization, participate in our online surveys, promotions or contests, or submit applications for employment or for other purposes through our Web site.

Personally Identifiable Information We Collect Concerning Children Under The Age of 13

From time to time, we may collect Personally Identifiable Information concerning children under the age of 13 in order to register them for the tournament, or offer other online activities. Our requests are for limited Personally Identifiable Information (e.g., name, address, the child’s e-mail address and/or e-mail address of parent or third party guardian, etc.). We do not condition a child's participation in any of our online activities on the disclosure of more information than is reasonably necessary to participate in the activity.

At any time after receiving the registration confirmation notification e-mail, the child's parent has the opportunity to exercise the option to request that we stop sending the child information and have the child's information removed from our database by sending an email to the webmaster. In addition, parents may at any time review any Personally Identifiable Information collected about their child (the section below entitled “***Parental Access***”).

If you visit our Web site to browse or to read or download information, we may collect and store: the name of the domain name and host from which you access the Internet (for example, aol.com); the Internet Protocol (IP) address of the computer you are using; the browser software you use and your operating system; the date and time you access our site, and other activity on our site; and the Internet address of the Web site from which you linked to our site.

We do not link an IP address to Personally Identifiable Information, meaning that a user’s session will be logged but the user remains anonymous to us. If we do decide to link any Aggregate Information, or your IP address to your Personally Identifiable Information, we will treat the resulting information as “Personally Identifiable Information” for all purposes under our Privacy Policy contained herein.

Use Of “Cookies”

We collect Aggregate Information about your use of our Web site through cookies and similar Internet technologies. “Cookies” are small pieces of information that a Web site transfers to your hard drive, where it is stored by your browser on your computer’s hard drive for record-keeping purposes (such as storing user preferences). If we use cookies, they do not collect or retain your name or other Personally Identifiable Information. If we use cookies, we will treat all information that may be collected through cookies and similar Internet technologies as Aggregate Information. In addition, no third parties are permitted to use cookies we may create at our site for their own purposes.

Please be advised, however, that Web sites you link to from our Web site may use cookies. You should read and understand the privacy policy of the site(s) you link to in order to determine whether and how a particular site uses cookies. Most browsers are initially set up to accept cookies. You can reset your browser to refuse all cookies or indicate when a cookie is being sent. Please consult the help section of your Web browser software to learn how to do this.

We Limit Our Use of Information

We use Personally Identifiable Information that you provide to us when you visit our site strictly for the purposes for which you have provided it.

For example, if you request to receive Polk Scholastic Chess newsletters and notices of events, and you provide us with contact information (which may include Personally Identifiable Information, such as an e-mail address, mailing address, or phone number), we will use that information to contact you regarding your request or to send you the information. If, at any time, you decide you no longer wish to receive such information, simply notify us to that effect (for contact information, see the section below entitled “***How To Contact Us***”).

We use the Aggregate Information that we collect for system administration, to measure the number of visitors to our site, to improve site performance, to help us make our site more useful and/or to gather broad Aggregate Information.

Our Disclosure Limitations

We disclose your Personally Identifiable Information only to companies and persons whose role is to maintain or operate our site, fulfill the requests you make at our Web site, or who may be engaged by us specifically to handle and deliver certain online activities (e.g., conducting contests). These companies or persons have access to Personally Identifiable Information only to carry out their specific support obligations, cannot use it for other purposes, and must agree to maintain the confidentiality of such information.

An exception to our disclosure policy exists in the event that all or substantially all of the assets relating to Polk Scholastic Chess are transferred or sold to another entity. In that case, all information submitted to us may be transferred to the acquiring entity. In the event that Polk Scholastic Chess desires to assign or transfer your Personally Identifiable Information and its rights hereunder to a third party, you agree that Polk Scholastic Chess may do so, on the condition that such third party agree to abide by the terms of this privacy policy. Polk Scholastic Chess, however, cannot and does not guarantee or warrant that such third party will in fact abide by this policy and Polk Scholastic Chess expressly disclaims any such obligations.

Additionally, Polk Scholastic Chess may disclose Personally Identifiable Information when we in good faith believe it is appropriate in connection with legal proceedings, or to comply with law or requests by

law enforcement agencies, to enforce our policies or to protect the rights, property or safety of our Web site, users of our Web site and others.

Security Of The Information You Provide To Us

Polk Scholastic Chess has taken steps to ensure that Personally Identifiable Information collected in the future is secure, including limiting the number of people who have physical access to our database servers as well as electronic security systems and password protections which guard against unauthorized access.

Each of our employees/volunteers abides by our Privacy Policy, and only authorized employees have access to your Personally Identifiable Information. We have in place security control systems designed to prevent unauthorized disclosure of your Personally Identifiable Information. **DUE TO THE NATURE OF THE INTERNET AND DEVELOPING TECHNOLOGIES, WE CANNOT, HOWEVER, PROVIDE ASSURANCES AS TO THE SECURITY OF YOUR INFORMATION, AND POLK SCHOLASTIC CHESS EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ANY SUCH OBLIGATIONS.**

Correcting Information; Opting Out

If at any time you would like us to update or correct Personally Identifiable Information you have previously provided to us, feel free to contact us using the contact information provided below in the "How To Contact Us" section, and we will update or correct your Personally Identifiable Information to the extent your request does not compromise and is consistent with our privacy policies.

In addition, if you request, we will use commercially reasonable efforts to remove your name and Personally Identifiable Information from any database(s) we may maintain. Please understand, however, that it may be impossible to remove this information completely, due to backups and records of deletions. If you wish to remove your name from any database(s) we may maintain, please notify us in writing to this effect by using the contact information provided below in the "***How To Contact Us***" section.

Parental Access

Whenever we conduct an online activity and have actual knowledge that we have received Personally Identifiable Information concerning a child under 13, our goal is to help parents ensure that their child's privacy is protected. To that end, we provide parents with a request form that allows it to review the Personally Identifiable Information we received about their child, have this information deleted, and/or request that there be no further collection or use of their child's information. The request form will be readily available to parents as part of each online activity for which we have actual knowledge that we have received Personally Identifiable Information concerning children under 13. Parents can print out and mail or fax us a signed form for these purposes. We will take steps to verify the identity of anyone requesting information about a child and to ensure that the person is in fact the child's parent or legal guardian.

How To Contact Us

If you have any questions about our privacy policy and/or practices or your dealings with our Web site, you may contact any of the board members listed on our "Board Members" page by mail: .

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If you experience technical problems with the operation of our Web site, contact our Webmaster by emailing: webmaster@polkscholasticchess.com.