# International School Blitz

**Chess Tournament Regulations**

6 December

| DATE | START TIME | TIME CONTROL | ROUNDS |
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| **06.12.2026 (Sunday)** | 11:00 (registration 10:30–11:00) | 5 min + 3 sec./move | 9 (Swiss system) |

**VENUE: Exupéry International School, Riga | ENTRY FEE: EUR 25**

**TOURNAMENT ORGANIZER:** SIA "EISF"; Registration No. 40203181401; Jaunā iela 8, Piņķi, LV-2107; LV16CBBR1126690900010

**CHIEF ARBITER:** IA Agapi Ter-Avetisjana (11619473)

## Aims and Objectives

The aim of the tournament is to promote the popularity and development of chess by bringing together representatives of different international schools for individual and team competitions.

## Date and Venue

- Date: 6 December 2026
- Venue: Exupéry International School, Jaunā iela 8, 10, Piņķi, Babīte Parish, Mārupe Municipality, LV-2107, Latvia
- Participant registration: 10:30–11:00
- Tournament start: 11:00

## Tournament Format

- The tournament will be played over 9 rounds according to the Swiss system.
- Time control: 5 minutes + 3 seconds per move.
- The tournament includes individual and school team competitions. Each school's team score is determined by the points earned by its four highest-scoring players.

## Round Schedule

| ROUND | TIME | ROUND | TIME | ROUND | TIME |
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| **1.** | 11:00–11:20 | 4. | 12:00–12:20 | 7. | 13:00–13:20 |
| **2.** | 11:20–11:40 | 5. | 12:20–12:40 | 8. | 13:20–13:40 |
| **3.** | 11:40–12:00 | 6. | 12:40–13:00 | 9. | 13:40–14:00 |

Round start times are provisional; 20 minutes are allocated to each round. Times may be adjusted depending on the progress of the tournament.

## Registration and Entry Fee

Entry fee: EUR 25 (payable by bank transfer to SIA "EISF"; Registration No. 40203181401; Jaunā iela 8, Piņķi, LV-2107; IBAN LV16CBBR1126690900010. The player's first and last name must be included in the payment reference.)

To register, please use the following link: https://form.jotform.com/263012972641050

**When registering, participants must indicate the school they represent. This school must also be specified in the Chess-Results participant list.**

## Scoring and Standings

A player receives 1 point for a win, 0.5 points for a draw, and 0 points for a loss.

Pairings and tournament standings will be determined using Swiss-Manager software.

In the event of equal scores, individual standings will be determined by the following tie-break criteria, in order:

1. Buchholz Cut 1 (excluding the lowest opponent score);
2. Buchholz score;
3. Tournament performance rating.

In the school team competition, each school's result is the sum of the individual scores of its four highest-scoring players. The school name must be specified in each participant's Chess-Results entry.

Tournament results, including the schools represented by participants, will be published at www.chess-results.com.

## Awards

Awards will be presented in the individual and school team competitions:

| CATEGORY | PRIZE |
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| **Individual competition: 1st–3rd place** | Medals |
| **School competition: 1st–3rd place (four highest-scoring players)** | Trophies |

## Final Provisions

During the tournament, participants must comply with the FIDE Laws of Chess, the instructions of the arbiters, and the internal rules of the venue.

The tournament organizer reserves the right to change the tournament arrangements if necessary to ensure the smooth and effective running of the competition.

The organizer reserves the right to make any necessary amendments to these regulations before the tournament begins.

All expenses related to participation in the tournament shall be covered by the participant or the organization registering the participant.

The participant or the organization registering the participant is responsible for ensuring that the participant's health condition permits participation in the competition.

## Personal Data Processing

By registering for the tournament, participants confirm that they have read the information on personal data processing provided in these regulations.

For the purposes of organizing the tournament and compiling results, participants' first and last names, represented schools, FIDE IDs, ratings, points scored, and final standings will be processed and published. Tournament results will be published at www.chess-results.com.

Photographs and video recordings may be taken during the tournament to document the event and inform the public. Photo and video materials may be published on chess and sports websites and on the organizer's social media accounts.

If a participant does not wish to be individually photographed or filmed, they must inform the tournament organizer before the competition begins. For minors, the participant's legal representative may notify the organizer.