
IEKHS Royal Rays Chess Club Pre-Thanksgiving Scholastic Chess Tournament



On Saturday, October 1, 2022, five members (S'Horri Dominique, L'Rynzo Abraham, Taragee Gumbs, Jaynel Benjamin, and Jermaine Jones) of the Royal Rays Chess Club attended the Pre-Thanksgiving Scholastic Chess Tournament at Lockhart Elementary School. It was sponsored by the STT/STJ Youth Scholastic Chess Club (STT-STJ YSCC) with assistance from Rotary Club of St. Thomas II. Students from private and public schools as well as homeschool and UVI were invited to participate.



This was the first qualifying tournament that will be used to prepare students for our upcoming National K-12 Youth Scholastic Chess Tournament in Washington, DC from March 31st to April 2nd, 2023. Out of four rounds, all five Royal Ray members scored one or more win points. We are very pleased that Taragee Gumbs was an honorable mention for 4th place.



On the far left, Ms. Feldear Webster, Rotary St. Thomas II President, and Mr. Brandon Rhymer, IEKHS Chess Coach, as well as on the far right, Mr. Sinclair Wilkinson, STT-STJ YSCC President, presented the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies for the following categories: Ages 9 years and under, and Ages 13 years and above. We are proud that one of our very own, Jermaine Jones, a Royal Ray, won 2nd place in the Ages 13 years and above category. Congratulations to all participants, especially our Royal Rays.



Keep Calm, Kean is soon King.

Special Thank You - From IEKHS Royal Rays



Hear ye, Hear ye!

We are extremely grateful to the STT/STJ Youth Scholastic Chess Club and Rotary Club of St. Thomas II for making local chess tournaments in the STT-STJ District possible. We also give major KUDOS to Kean alumni and former Royal Ray Chess Champions, Marco Emile (standing on the far right) and Jeanne Viray (seated on the far right) for their assistance and oversight of the Ages 9 Years and Under Category. Finally, thank you to all the wonderful parents, donors, and individuals who do their part to encourage and support our youths.