



MEDIA ADVISORY

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Chess Firsts in Western Canada

Today, 375 students from three West Kelowna schools will gather at Mount Boucherie Secondary (MBSS) for a chess tournament. The students in Grades 4 to 6 will be guided by 31 mentors who are taking Chess 12*, the first course of its kind in Western Canada.

The Chess 12 course was co-developed by MBSS teacher Luke Campbell and Arnie Nermo, a teacher in Abbotsford. The tournament is an opportunity for the Grade 12 students to share their skills with newcomers to the game and to judge the competitors.

“The main force behind this tournament is Chris Laurie, a teacher who has recently moved to Kelowna from Nelson,” says Campbell. “He has been volunteering extensively at the three schools involved in the tournament: Rose Valley, George Pringle and Hudson Road Elementary. He has taught hundreds of students the fundamentals of the game in preparation for this event.”

When: 12:20 p.m. to 2:10 p.m. on November 23, 2009

Where: Gymnasium
Mount Boucherie Secondary School
2751 Cameron Road
West Kelowna, BC

**Course outline available upon request*

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