The Nordic Championship for Scholastic Teams 2018 (NCST):

Competition regulations

1§ Timetable

Friday, September 7th

Arrival

18.00 Dinner and Captains meeting

19.00 1st Round

Saturday, September 8th

8.00–9.00 Breakfast

10.00-14.00 2nd Round

13.30–14.30 Lunch

16.00-20.00 3rd Round

19.30–20.30 Dinner

Sunday, September 9th

8.00–9.00 Breakfast

10.00–14.00 4th Round

13.30–14.30 Lunch

16.00–20.00 5th Round

19.30–20.30 Dinner and Prize-giving

2§ General regulations

The tournament will be played in accordance with competition regulations of Finnish Chess Federation and FIDE Laws of Chess. The results will be sent to the national rating system (SELO) and to FIDE rating system (ELO). Default time is 30 minutes.

3§ Competition committee

The competition is organised by Finnish Chess Federation. Chief Arbiter (CA) is NA Jyrki Kytöniemi. Tournament director is STJ Eetu Tiiva.

4§ Pairings

The competition is a round robin. Pairings will be made in accordance with the Berger tables. The starting numbers of the teams will be drawn in the captains' meeting starting 18.00. According to FIDE competition regulations the representatives of the teams are allowed to follow the drawing.

5§ Teams

Teams consists of 4 players and 1 or 2 reserve players. Reserve players can be used. The reserve player(s) will play in the lowest table(s). In case a team wants to use a reserve player in the next round, the team captain must tell the tournament director about that when the current round has finished. Otherwise the team must play with the line-up named to play on boards 1-4. In case of emergency the competition committee may allow the reserve player to play even though tournament director has not been informed about that in time.

6§ Time control

Time control is 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move starting from move 1.

7§ About electronic devices

Mobile phones must be shut down during the games. If the phone rings, in the first time a warning will be issued. In the second time the game will be lost. Players, captains or spectators are not allowed to use electronic devices in the playing venue without arbiter's or tournament director's permission.

8§ Tiebreaks

- 1. Game points
- 2. Match points (2,1,0)
- 3. Direct encounter

If all tiebreaks are even, the placing will be shared.

9§ Captain's position

A player is not allowed to talk to anybody during the game, other than what is allowed in the FIDE Laws of Chess. If a player needs to talk to the captain, he/she must talk **always under the presence of an arbiter or tournament director**. Only Finnish, English and Swedish language is allowed. Player can discuss about the draw offer with the captain and captain can suggest that player should offer a draw. Any other discussion with the captain or other persons is strictly forbidden without arbiter's permission. Captains should be present in case a problematic situation occurs.

10§ Prizes

There will be medals for the 3 best teams of each group.

11§ Other

Smoking is allowed only in specified smoking areas. The anti-doping rules apply to all participants.

The competition committee will answer other questions if necessary.

Only players and captains/head of delegations are allowed in the playing hall. The parents and other spectators are allowed to be inside for the first 10 minutes of the round.

I case you need help or you need some information, you may call to the tournament director Eetu Tiiva. (+358409357959)