

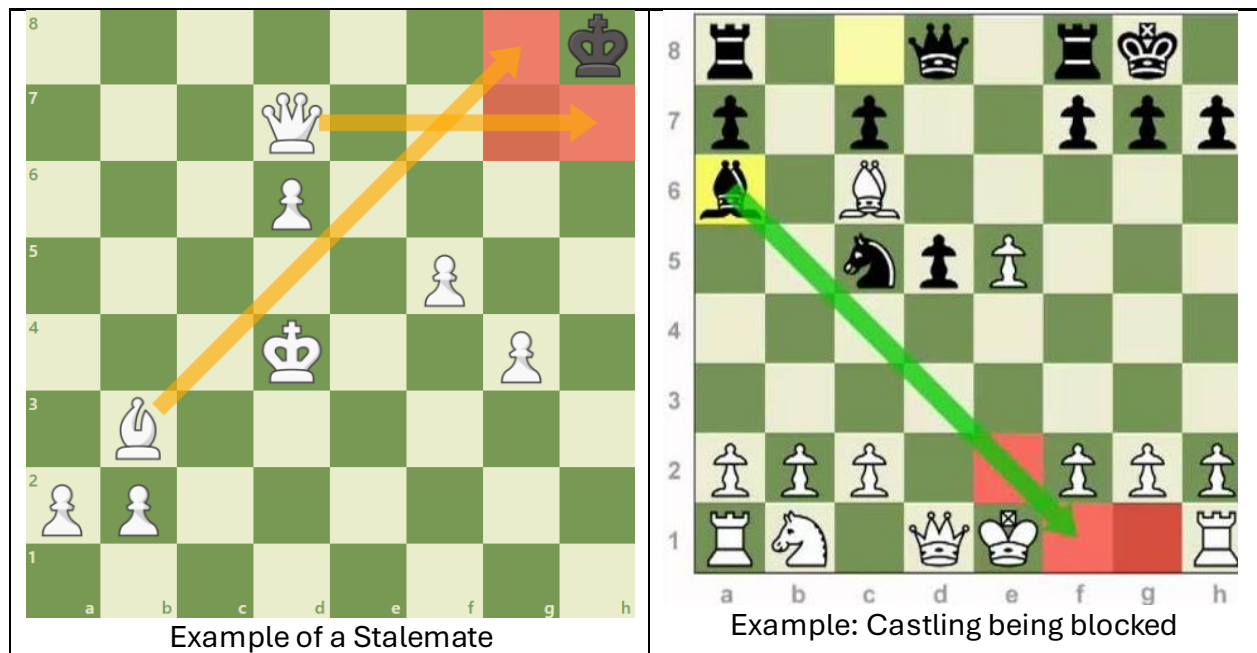
Prairie Chess Club Newsletter: Week 1 Summary

Dear Chess Club Families:

We had an exciting start filled with learning, reviewing the basics, and plenty of playing.

Ridge Chess Club:

Ridge students explored the fundamentals of each chess piece, focusing on movement patterns and gameplay mechanics. Afterward, they played matches against one another to apply their newly learned skills. Students were grouped by experience level, with beginners receiving support from middle school and high school volunteers.



Chess Puzzles (During chess club):

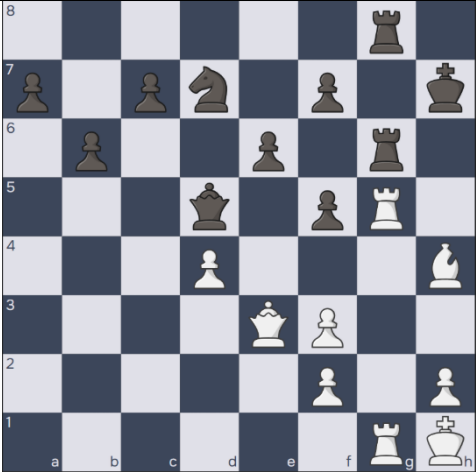
Rank	Student	Club	Total Attempts	Puzzles Solved
#1	Alora Barksdale	Elementary	21	6
#2	Robert Palmer	Elementary	2	2
#3	Jackson Gallardo	Elementary	1	1

During downtime, students can use tablets to solve chess puzzles. Their attempts, solves, and times are recorded and can be reviewed online.

Prairie Ridge has run low on healthy snacks and is looking for volunteers to bring in snacks for the chess club. If you would like to donate some healthy snacks, please let me know.

Creek Chess Club:

This week, we reviewed the following puzzle and started game play.



White to Move



Blacks Options

Rank	Student	Club	Total Attempts	Puzzles Solved
#1	Everett Tungsiripat	Middle School	25	10
#2	Cooper Sanborn	Middle School	24	3
#3	Elijah Dorrell	Middle School	16	1

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Chess Tournaments

Prairie Chess Tournament is currently planned for **10/24/2026**, and Chess in Iowa is helping us run the event. You can register here:

https://www.kingregistration.com/event/CRLJ_10_26

Before we lock in the date, we want to see which option works best for everyone. Please fill out this quick poll between **October 24** and **October 31**. We'll finalize the date next week:

<https://forms.gle/T67wVZBD4R3TsFd9>

Chess Shirts:

Along with the chess tournament, we're checking to see if there's interest in ordering chess shirts. I've reached out to Southpaw Print Co. for details (Triblend T-Shirts \$12.50). Let me know if you have any questions. We need roughly 26 to commit to purchasing a shirt.

Chess Shirt Order Form: <https://forms.gle/nkCYpfzNjUhFUCRB8>

Thanks, Josh!