## MSSSP'S INAUGURAL CHIESS TOURNAMENT "A BATTLE OF MINDS"

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On August 21, 2024, Modern Senior Secondary School, Patiala, successfully hosted its first-ever Inter-School Chess Tournament, drawing 13 leading schools from across Patiala. The tournament, conducted in three categories—

outstanding performance to claim first place. Dilmeet Kaur from The Millennium School and Vainika from Our Lady Fatima Convent secured the second and third positions.

The tournament was officiated by Arbiter Mr.

Under-14, Under-17, and Under-19—showcased some of the finest young chess talents in the region.

In the Under-19 category, Shubhamdeep Singh from Career Academy, Patiala, emerged as the winner, with Radhesh from Shri Aurobindo International School securing second place and Bhavraj Singh from Our Lady Fatima Convent Senior Secondary School finishing third.

The Under-17 category was fiercely contested, with Gurshabad Singh of Army Public School taking the first spot. Sarthak Singhal from Career Academy and Akash Singla from Our Lady Fatima Convent earned second and third positions, respectively.

In the Under-14 category, Rudra Partap Singhal from Career Academy delivered an Ankur Garg, an International FIDE chess player, whose extensive experience ensured that the matches were conducted with the highest level of fairness and professionalism. He was assisted by Mr. Arvind Singh, a seasoned state player, who acted as the Assistant Arbiter.

Specially designed "**Running Trophies**", featuring **a king, queen**, and **pawn** for each category, were presented to the winners. In addition to these unique trophies, individual winners were awarded **gold**, **silver**, and **bronze cups**, along with **certificates of achievement**.

This successful tournament highlighted the immense chess talent among Patiala's young students and set a high benchmark for future competitions.

**Congratulations to all the Winners!!!** 







