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Press Release

The Pembroke Hill School finishes 5th at Nationals in the K-5 Under 900 section. Also bughouse team finishes in 4th and K-6 blitz team finishes in 5th to complete the trifecta. Overall, Team Midwest Chess Academy brought home 17 different trophies from the event.

The National Elementary Chess Championships took place May 5-8 at the beautiful Hilton Anatole with its Japanese themed lobby in vibrant downtown Dallas, TX. As usual, this event brought 1,841 players from all across America and all sections were fiercely contested.

Pembroke Hill's K-5 Under 900 team was either in first or third for much of the tournament and was unable to hold their position due to heavy competition. That team was represented by Michael Innes, Aaron Swartz, Ross Copeland and Karthi Murari. This team had a lot riding on its shoulders after losing its two strongest players this year. I think they performed admirably.

Team Midwest Chess Academy also fielded single players in other sections who represented the brand quite well. This was the most amounts of trophies secured by players from Midwest Chess Academy by several fold. Note to parents: We take care of business!!

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Here is a list of our top finishers:

K-3 Unrated

Chinmay Krishna, Arbor Creek Elementary
Finishes 4th overall with 5/5/7

TJ Anderson, Pembroke Hill School
Finishes 7th overall with 5.5/7



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K-6 Unrated

Jake Cohen, Pembroke Hill School
Finishes 7th overall with 5.5/7



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K-5 Under 900

Michael Innes, Pembroke Hill School
Finishes 2nd overall with 6.5/7



Team (Michael Innes, Aaron Swartz, Karthi Murari, Ross Copeland)
5th place overall



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Lucas Dryer, Cedar Creek Private Academy
Finishes 3rd overall with 6.5/7



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Karthi Murari, Pembroke Hill School
Finishes 22nd overall with 5/7



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K-3 Championship

James Dryer, Cedar Creek Private Academy
Finishes 110th overall with 4/7
Wins class trophy for 3rd for 800-899

K-6 Championship

Zac Schuh, California Trail Middle School
Finishes 43rd overall with 4.5/7
Wins class trophy for 2nd for 1300-1399

K-3 Under 800

Dawson Gulley, Cedar Creek Elementary (Lee's Summit, MO)
Finishes 11th overall with 6/7



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K-1 Championship

Siddarth Jasti, Arbor Creek Elementary
Finishes 31st overall with 5/7
Wins tied for 30th trophy

K-5 Championship

Bryce Rogers, Arbor Creek Elementary
Finishes 56th overall with 4.5/7
Wins class trophy for 1st 1000-1099

Blitz

K-6 Team (**Nicholas Pallotto, Michael Innes, Aaron Swartz and Karthi Murari**)
Finished in 5th place

Individual winners were:

Michael Innes 3rd place for 800-899
Aaron Swartz 3rd place for Under 800

Bughouse

Team of **Michael Innes** and **Nicholas Pallotto** of the Pembroke Hill School take 4th place