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Press Release

Smaller crew sent from Midwest Chess but still brought home enough hardware.

Elementary (K-6) Nationals took place May 11-13, 2018 at the Opryland Convention Center in Nashville, TN.

As usual, Midwest Chess students were able to bring home 5 trophies of the 13 participants. This equates to 38%. This is the percentage we typically hover around each year. Each section typically only gives out 8% of the playing field in awards.

I want to highlight our top finishers:

K-6 Championship

Tied for 15th (18th overall), 5/7 points, **Cael Province**

K-6 U 1400

Tied for 15th (16th overall), 5/7 points, **Sky Moerlien**

K-3 U 700

6th place with 6/7 points, **Hannah Hillyer**

K-1 U 500

10th place with 5.5/7 points, **Rebekah Hillyer**

K-1 Championship

6th place with 6/7 points, **Oliver Ohly**

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Other notable performances:

K-6 Championship

80th place, **Ryland O'Hanlon**

K-6 U 1400

50th place, **Henri van Zandweghe**

K-6 U 1000

76th Place, **Owen Nielsen**

K-5 U1200

39th place, **Andrew Lamping** (TX)

K-5 U 900

182nd place, **Eugene Giam**

K-3 Championship

55th place, **Kevin Yang** (NC)

K-3 U 700

258th place, **Tyler Gaona**

K-3 unrated

16th place, **Noah Ramsey**

Now I'd like to report on the side events. Our students typically do not get much practice at the "fun" versions of chess but we do alright under the circumstances. No awards this time around.

K-6 Blitz

Cael Province, 34th place

K-3 Blitz

Kevin Yang, 13th place

Henri van Zandweghe, 18th place

Bughouse

Sky Moerlien/Cael Province, 7th place

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Oliver Ohly