

# **BGS CHESS** Proudly Presents: *The After School Chess Program*



BGS Chess has been providing quality chess instruction in the North Texas area for over 4 years. We are dedicated to creating an atmosphere where children can learn the wonderful game of chess and all the benefits that come with it, while simultaneously having a great experience.

Our teachers have a vast amount of experience in chess education, in addition to having competed at the highest levels of chess.

Our goal is to provide caring and intelligent chess instruction to children in any environment. Whether in a school, day care, recreational center, park, home, or institution, our goal is to teach success through chess.

We know that through chess children learn important skills that will be used for the rest of the child's life. Skills such as concentration, critical thinking, pattern recognition, as well as sportsmanship are all part of the experience that playing chess provides.

Chess is also excellent for enhancing social skills. Children are taught to shake hands before and after a game, to show respect for their opponents, and to accept responsibilities for their actions. When children play chess, they begin to believe in themselves. Perhaps the most important thing chess does for many children is to build confidence.

A confident child is a child heading for success.

BGS Chess will work in cooperation with administrators, teachers, parents, counselors, and others to provide a high level of chess instruction to children in any setting.

## **The Founders**

### **Herminio Baez**



Born and raised in New York has been playing and teaching chess for over 30 years. He is a national expert who has taught in the New York Area for over 12 years including 7 years in National Summer Chess Camps. Throughout the years, Herminio has had numerous students on the top 100 list. He is also very involved in promoting chess which can be seen by his involvement in the Harlem Education Activities Foundation as well as the NYC dept.of Education

### **Dmitri Shneider**



International Master Dmitri Shneider has traveled the world in order to represent USA in international chess competitions including 7 times in the World Youth Chess Championships. Dmitri is an 11 time Pressman All-American, as well as a 2-time Pan-American Youth Gold Medalist. He was a key member of the 2003 UTD National Championship Team. Dmitri also has a wealth of chess teaching experience, having taught in many private and public schools. He has had two students that were top 10 for their age in the US.