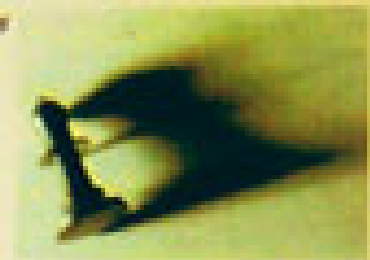


Educators Comment on Chess Tutors

Our tutors conducted an educator survey to evaluate our instructors and the teaching techniques. Here are only a few comments from the numerous surveys returned.



Q: What did you like most about the chess program?

A: The enthusiasm it created for learning something new. They taught them something they can keep forever. Tracy Graham, 5th grade teacher.

A: The kids really were thinking when they played the game. They were having so much fun they didn't realize it. T. Muralami, teacher.

A: It provides children a chance to learn the game, use higher thinking skills and it is something they can do for the rest of their lives. M. Demuir, 1st grade teacher.

Q: How do you feel the chess program has benefited your students academically?

A: It has taught them to think strategically, to concentrate and to have patience. Tracy Graham, 5th grade teacher.

A: My students are able to sit longer and concentrate on finishing a task. Liann Hirokawa, kindergarten teacher.

A: They can think logically and predict others' movements. Spatial relations reinforced. Anonymous teacher, Torrance School District.

Q: How do you feel the chess program has benefited your students' personalities?

A: Those without self-confidence now have something to be confident about. Anonymous teacher, Torrance School District.

A: They are more confident and willing to try more with less hesitation. Liann Hirokawa, kindergarten teacher.

A: They feel more able to master new games and activities. Confidence was boosted. Anonymous teacher, Torrance School District.

Q: How would you describe the chess instructor's interaction with the school?

A: Outstanding! I can't imagine anyone doing as good a job as Ellington. Anonymous teacher, Torrance School District.

A: The children adored him. He was also highly respected. He really did an outstanding job! S. Eads, 1st grade teacher.

A: He works well with the students. He motivates them, keeps their interest and has patience and understanding. Mrs. Day, 4th & 5th grade teacher.