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# The Chinese Culture Connection and Malden High School's 8th Annual "Thanksgiving" Ping-Pong Tournament Nov. 19 & 20 2022 at the Malden High School Gymnasium

The Chinese Culture Connection (CCC) and its Ping-Pong Tournament Planning Committee cordially invite you to our Eighth Annual "Thanksgiving Ping-Pong Tournament." This tournament will be held at the Gymnasium of Malden High School on Saturday, November 19, from 8:30 AM to 5 PM for team matches, and on November 20, 2022, from 8:30 am to 12 PM for single matches. Since this is the first time we will host single matches, the details of the single-match schedule will be announced later based on registration. Thank you for your understanding!

The purpose of this annual event aims to promote social and physical activities among the Asian American communities, fostering a more active, and healthier lifestyle. This tournament will encourage intergenerational and cross-cultural interaction and dialogue between Asian immigrants, Americans with Asian heritage, and non-Asian participants, as well as between older and younger generations of ping-pong players.

At this event, we will include a walk-in vaccine clinic on Saturday, between 2–5 pm. It is open to the general public, not limited to the players. Whoever gets the first or second dose will receive a gift card. With the new variants continuing to linger, COVID-19 still poses particular risks to some people, especially those who are not vaccinated. The vaccine is the best way to protect ourselves and others from becoming severely sick or hospitalized.

The competition categories (apply to both team and single matches) include:

- 1. Senior: male age 60+, female: Age 55+, rating under 1700;
- 2. Adult: men ages 19-59, women age under 54, rating under 1700;
- 3. Student/Youth: age under 18, rating under 1700;
- 4. Open Mixed: no age, gender or rating limit;
- 5. Recreational: no age, gender limit, rating under 1200.\*

\*To ensure fairness in all categories, players with ratings higher than the specified ranges will be disqualified and will forfeit any victories in their proper competition category.

The registration fee for team matches is \$120 per team (minimum 3 and maximum of 4 people). Registration includes lunch and T-shirts. Prizes for the first, second, and third place winners will be a medal, plus \$100, \$80, and \$50 gift certificates, respectively, for each winning team in each category. The first place of each category will also get a team trophy.

Registration fee for single matches is \$50 per person or \$30 if one has registered for the team matches. LUNCH on Sunday is NOT INCLUDED. Prizes for the first, second, and third place winners will be a medal, plus \$80, \$50 and \$30 gift certificates, respectively, for each winning individual in each category. The first place of each category will also get an individual trophy.

The deadline for entry registration is October 21, 2022, or when all places are filled, whichever comes first. Registration after Oct 21 will be \$150 for a team and \$60 for a single match. Participants must prove vaccination and face masks required while not actively playing and for spectators. If you are interested in participating in this event, please register as soon as possible to help our planning process. Feel free to contact us at 781-321-6316 or via email at <a href="mailto:info@ChineseCultureConnection.org">info@ChineseCultureConnection.org</a> for questions regarding registration, sponsorship of the event or any of our other programs and services.



## 2022 第八届"华夏感恩杯"乒乓球比赛 邀请函

#### 尊敬的朋友们:

为了鼓励大家追求健康生活,积极参与社交活动,华夏文化协会将于 2022 年 11 月 19 日及 20 日在摩顿高中体育馆分别 展开第八届"华夏感恩杯"乒乓球比赛的团体赛及个人赛。我们的比赛鼓励跨文化交流,代际沟通,旨在共创文明美好的多元化社区。华夏文化协会和大赛组委会期待在第八届"华夏感恩杯"的赛场上看到您或您所在球队的精彩表现!欢迎社团和热心公益人士提供赞助!比赛免费对公众开放观看。请尽早报名参赛,以便安排赛程。

本次活动还将于11月19日下午2-5点开设新冠疫苗接种站。任何接种第一剂或第二剂的成人或儿童均可获得一张礼卡。接种站开放给公众,不限于参赛者。此外任何参加本次活动者(包括参赛者、观众和教练)都必须进行疫苗接种,或7天内新冠检测阴性证明,并在非比赛时必须佩戴口罩。

- ◆ 乒乓球团体比赛分组如下:
- 1、老年组: 60 岁以上, 女子: 55 岁以上, 积分低于 1700;
- 2、成人组: 19-59岁, 女子: 54岁以下, 性别不拘, 积分低于 1700;
- 3、学生组: 18岁以下, 积分低于 1700:
- 4、公开组: 不限年龄/性别, 积分;
- 5. 娱乐组: 不限年龄/性别, 积分低于 1200。

\*为确保此类别的公平性,积分高于允许范围的参赛选手将被取消资格,并将丧失其竞争类别中的任何奖项。

#### 团体赛:

- ◆ 报名费:每队\$120.每队(3-4人)包挂午餐和T恤衫和赢队奖品。
- ◆ 报名日期: 即日起至 10月 21日(先报优先安排/first come first serve)
- ◆ 比赛时间: 11 月 19 日 上午 8:30 入场 上午 9:00 开赛 下午 5:00 颁奖
- ◆ 比赛奖励: 团体冠军队获奖杯一座, 前三名获奖队伍, 每人均可获得奖牌一枚。另外, 每组别前三名分别获得礼卡/券奖励如下: \$100, \$80, \$50。

#### 个人赛:

- ◆ 报名费:每人\$50,如同时报名团体赛,可享优惠价\$30。(不包括午餐)
- ◆ 报名日期: 即日起至 10 月 21 日(先报优先安排/first come first serve)
- ◆ 比赛时间: 11 月 20 日 上午 8:30 入场 上午 9:00 开赛 中午 12:00 颁奖 (暂定)
- ◆ 比赛奖励: 各个组别冠军可获奖杯一座, 前三名每人均可获得奖牌一枚。另外, 每组获奖者可获得礼卡/券奖励如下: \$80, \$50, \$30。

为了便于组委会对活动进行安排,我们鼓励各位尽早报名。报名时间截止于 10 月 21 日。如晚于该日报名,则收取报名费\$120 每队,\$60 每人。如有任何问题,可通过本页底部联系方式咨询我们,或扫描二维码,添加活动负责人微信。



顺颂商祺!

华夏文化协会,"华夏感恩杯"乒乓球赛组委会 2022年9月



## Chinese Culture Connection and Malden High Ping Pong Club's 8th Annual "Thanksgiving" Ping-Pong Tournament **Team Match Registration Form**

## 第八届华夏感恩杯乒乓球赛团体赛报名表

Team Categories 团队	类别:						
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☐ Student/Youth: Age	under 1	8, ratin	g <1700/学生组: 18 岁	以下,积分	低于 1700		
☐ Open: No age/gende	er/rating	g limit /	公开组: 不限年龄/性界	别/积分			
☐ Recreational: No ag	e/gende	r limit,	rating <1200/娱乐组:	不限年龄/	性别,积分低于	1200	
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## 8th Annual "Thanksgiving" Ping-Pong Tournament Single Match Registration Form

## 第八届华夏感恩杯乒乓球赛个人赛报名表

Categories 组别:				
☐ Senior: Male: Age 60+, F	Semale: Age 55+, rating <170	00/老年组: 男 60+, 女	55+, 积分低于 1700	
☐ Adult: Age 19+, no gende	er limit, rating <1700/成人组	且:19岁以上,性别不限,	积分低于 1700	
☐ Student/Youth: Age unde	r 18, rating <1700/学生组:	18 岁以下, 积分低于 17	00	
☐ Open: No age/gender/rati	ng limit /公开组: 不限年龄	/性别/积分		
☐ Recreational: No age/gen	der limit, rating <1200/娱乐	组:不限年龄/性别,积分	分低于 1200	
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Full Name 参赛者姓名:		Age 年龄:	Sex 性别:	
Email 邮箱:		Phone 电话		
City/市:		Rating 积分		
T-Shirt Size 队服尺寸:	Adult 成人: S, M, L, XL	Youth 儿童:	S, M, L, XL	
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## Appendix I Covid Protocol

Due to the COVID pandemic, several safety measures will be taken to ensure a safe and fun experience for all participants (players, coaches, referees and volunteers, audience, etc.).

- We will require all participants to receive FULL COVID-19 VACCINATION or negative COVID PCR test within 7 days. COVID-19 Vaccination record card or PCR test result should be presented upon arrival.
- All participants need to sign a liability waiver before the tournament. Please see Appendix II.
- All participants will be required to wear masks at ALL TIMES unless actively practicing/playing.
- Please make sure to bring your water bottles. We don't provide bottled water, but water fountains will be available.
- We expect every participant to understand the inherent risks of the environment and the steps we are taking to mitigate the transmission.
- We follow all local, state, and federal COVID-19 policies. If, in any circumstance we have to cancel the event due to COVID, reschedule/refund will be made upon discussion with all teams.

## 附录一

## 新冠协议

为了给大家带来一届安全的赛事,组委会决定采取以下新冠防护措施:

- 所有参赛和观战人员必须完成接种疫苗或提供7天内新冠阴性证明。疫苗卡或检测证明需要在活动当天抵 达体育馆时出示,方可进入场馆。
- 所有参赛和观战人员在入场前必须签署免责同意书。详见附录二。
- 所有参赛和观战人员在赛事过程中必须一直佩戴口罩。运动员不需在热身及比赛期间佩戴口罩。
- 请自行准备水壶。我们不提供瓶装水,但场馆提供灌水处。
- 所有参赛和观战人员须了解参与赛事可能带来的感染新冠风险,并配合组委会所有保障人员健康的措施。如有违反并不予以纠正者,组委会有权取消运动员的参赛资格。



## **Appendix II**

## **Liability Waiver**

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to participate in the event, I and/or minor child:

ACKNOWLEDGE, that I and/or minor-aged child understand the nature of Table Tennis Activities, including but not limited to risks involved in the sport itself together with all risks, known and unknown, associated with gatherings of people ("Activities"), including the exposure to COVID-19, coronavirus, or other infectious organisms or diseases; and that I and/or minor child are qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activities. I further agree that if at any time I believe conditions or equipment to be unsafe, I and/or minor child will immediately discontinue further participation in the Activities.

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## 附录二 免责声明

作为本人或未成年获准参加本届乒乓赛事活动的条件,本人知情并自愿地代表本人或本人子女订立此豁免法律责任及声明:

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\*此声明中文版为英文译版,如有不相符之处,以英文版为准。



#### **Appendix III**

## 2022 8<sup>th</sup> CCC Thanksgiving Ping-Pong Tournament Rules (Teams)

#### I. General Rules

- 1. Due to time limits, CCC reserves the right to change rules of the tournament upon agreement of all teams!
- 2. Before each team-match, a team's leader should choose three players and submit their order (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th) to the umpire in writing, without yet having seen the opposing team's list.
- 3. The first team to win 3 matches out of 5 is the overall winner. Doubles matches should allow each player to play twice in the following match sequence:
- 4.Match 1: A-X; Match 2: B-Y; Match 3: C+B Z+X; Match 4: A-Y; Match 5: C-Z.
- 5. In all stages (from group stage to final stage), each match is played best-2-of-3 games.
- 6. For each game, the first player to reach 11 points wins that game; however, a game must be won by at least a two-point margin.
- 7. In each team-match, the winning team earns 2 tournament points and the losing team earns 0 tournament points. If there are 3 teams in the same category that earn the same number of tournament points, then the places (1st, 2nd, 3rd) of those 3 winning teams will be determined based on the ratio of games won to games lost, and/or points won to points lost for all teams.
- 8. If a player serves without having already announced the score (and without an umpire having already announced it), the receiver has the right to cancel that serve if s/he didn't make an attempt to return it.

#### II. Detailed Rules for Tied Scores

- 1. For a 2-team tie, the team that won the match between the two is ranked higher.
- 2. For a tie of more than two teams, the ratio of number of matches won to matches lost is calculated for all tied teams. The team with the higher ratio is ranked higher.
- 3. In case the above ratio is the same, then the ratio of number of games won to games lost is calculated. Again, the team with the better ratio is ranked higher.
- 4. In case the above ratio is the same, then the ratio of number of points won to points lost is calculated. Again, the team with the better ratio is ranked higher.
- 5. If all of those ratios come out to be the same, a random coin toss decides who is ranked higher.

#### III. Limitation of Liability and Disclaimer of Warranties

- 1. By entering the tournament, each participant agrees to grant CCC the right to publicize his or her name and photos, including the use and appearance of his or her photos on CCC's website and other social media. Furthermore, participants agree to allow these photographs and names to be used for other future promotional purposes without compensation.
- 2. CCC is not responsible for any physical injury or damage or loss of your personal belongings as a result of your participation.
- 3. CCC reserves the right to have the final say on all of the event logistics and rules for the tournament.



## 附录三

## 2022 第八届华夏感恩杯乒乓球团体赛比赛说明

#### 一、比赛规则

- 1. 由于赛时限制,比赛规则可能会在赛事队伍达成共识情况下做出一定修改。敬请谅解!
- 2. 每场比赛,对阵双方可上场各3名运动员 A, B, C, 或 X, Y, Z 次序,除伤病等因素不得更换运动员。每场比赛 五盘三胜,第一盘: A-X;第二盘: B-Y;第三盘双打: C+B-Z+X;第四盘: A-Y;第五盘: C-Z。
- 3. 小组赛至决赛均为每盘比赛三局两胜。
- 4. 每局比赛先得 11 分的一方为胜方, 10 平后, 先多得 2 分的一方为胜方。
- 5. 各组根据总得分计算名次。如平分,按平分计算规则计算名次。每场胜队得2分,负队得0分。

#### 二、平分比率计算规则

- 1. 如果有2支球队积分相同,则根据球队之间的胜负情况,胜者靠前。
- 2. 如果有多支球队积分相同,则再根据球队的净胜场次,净胜场次较多者排名靠前。
- 3. 如果净胜场次完全相同,则比较净胜局,净胜局较多者排名靠前。
- 4. 如果净胜局完全相同,则比较净胜分,净胜分较多者排名靠前。
- 5. 如果净胜分仍然相同,则直接采用抽签的方式决定排名。

#### 三、比赛发球规则

- 1. 发球开始前,球员需报出当前比分,双方无异议后方可发球。否则发球无效!
- 2. 发球开始时,球自然置于不持球拍的手掌上,手掌张开保持静止。
- 发球开始时,球员需用手将球垂直地向上抛起,不得使球旋转,并使球在离开不持球拍的手掌上升不少于 16 厘米,球在下降被击出前不能碰任何物体。
- 4. 当球在被抛起的最高点下降时,发球员方可击球,使球首先触及本方球台边,然后越过球网再触及对方的球台边既 算成功。双打比赛中,球应先后触及发球员和接发球员的右半边。
- 5. 从发球开始到球被击出前,球要始终在台面以上和发球员的端线以外;而且球始终不能被发球员或他的双打同伴的 身体或衣服的任何部分遮挡。
- 6. 在运动员发球时,球与球拍的接触瞬间,球与网柱连线的三角形之内和一定高度上方不能有任何遮挡物。并且其中 一名裁判员要能看到发球员的击球点。



#### **Appendix IV**

## 2022 8th CCC Thanksgiving Ping-Pong Tournament Rules (Single)

#### I. General Rules

- 1. Due to time limits, CCC reserves the right to change rules of the tournament upon agreement of all teams!
- 2. In all stages (from group stage to final stage), each match is played best-2-of-3 games.
- 3. For each game, the first player to reach 11 points wins that game; however, a game must be won by at least a two-point margin.
- 4. In each match, the winning player earns 2 tournament points and the losing team earns 0 tournament points. If there are players in the same category that earn the same number of tournament points, then the places of teams will be determined based on the ratio of games won to games lost, and/or points won to points lost for all teams.
- 5. If a player serves without having already announced the score (and without an umpire having already announced it), the receiver has the right to cancel that serve if s/he didn't make an attempt to return it.

#### IV. Detailed Rules for Tied Scores

- 1. For a 2 players tie, the player that won the match between the two is ranked higher.
- 2. For a tie of more than two players, the ratio of number of games won to games lost is calculated for all tied teams. The player with the higher ratio is ranked higher.
- 3. In case the above ratio is the same, then the ratio of number of points won to points lost is calculated. Again, the team with the better ratio is ranked higher.
- 4. If all of those ratios come out to be the same, a random coin toss decides who is ranked higher.

#### V.Limitation of Liability and Disclaimer of Warranties

- 1. By entering the tournament, each participant agrees to grant CCC the right to publicize his or her name and photos, including the use and appearance of his or her photos on CCC's website and other social media. Furthermore, participants agree to allow these photographs and names to be used for other future promotional purposes without compensation.
- 2. CCC is not responsible for any physical injury or damage or loss of your personal belongings as a result of your participation.
- 3. CCC reserves the right to have the final say on all of the event logistics and rules for the tournament.



## 附录四

## 2022 第八届华夏感恩杯乒乓球个人赛比赛说明

#### 一、比赛规则

- 由于赛时限制,比赛规则可能会在赛事队伍达成共识情况下做出一定修改。敬请谅解!
- 2. 小组赛至决赛均为每盘比赛三局两胜!
- 3. 每局比赛先得 11 分的一方为胜方, 10 平后, 先多得 2 分的一方为胜方。
- 4. 各组根据总得分计算名次。如平分,按平分计算规则计算名次。每场胜方得2分,负方得0分。

#### 二、平分比率计算规则

- 1. 如果有2名球员积分相同,则根据球员之间的胜负情况,胜者靠前。
- 2. 如果多名球员积分完全相同,则比较净胜局,净胜局较多者排名靠前。
- 3. 如果净胜局完全相同,则比较净胜分,净胜分较多者排名靠前。
- 4. 如果净胜分仍然相同,则直接采用抽签的方式决定排名。

#### 三、比赛发球规则

- 发球开始前,球员需报出当前比分,双方无异议后方可发球。否则发球无效!
- 2. 发球开始时, 球自然置于不持球拍的手掌上, 手掌张开保持静止。
- 3. 发球开始时,球员需用手将球垂直地向上抛起,不得使球旋转, 并使球在离开不持球拍的手掌上升不少于 16 厘米,球在下降被击出前不能碰任何物体。
- 4. 当球在被抛起的最高点下降时,发球员方可击球,使球首先触及本方球台边,然后越过球网再触及对方的球台边既 算成功。双打比赛中,球应先后触及发球员和接发球员的右半边。
- 5. 从发球开始到球被击出前,球要始终在台面以上和发球员的端线以外;而且球始终不能被发球员或他的双打同伴的 身体或衣服的任何部分遮挡。
- 6. 在运动员发球时,球与球拍的接触瞬间,球与网柱连线的三角形之内和一定高度上方不能有任何遮挡物。并且其中一名裁判员要能看到发球员的击球点。