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1987 Joel Benjamin
1988 Maxim Dlugy
1989 Patrick Wolff
1990 Alex Fishbein
1991 Ilya Gurevich
1992 Alex Sherzer
1993 Ben Finegold
1994 Gata Kamsky
1995 Josh Waitzkin
1996 Tal Shaked
1997 Boris Kreiman
1998 Dean Ippolito
1999 Greg Shahade
2000 Michael Mulyar
2001 Eugene Perelshteyn
2002 Varuzhan Akopian
2003 Dmitry Schneider
2004 Rusudan Goletiani
2005 Hikaru Nakamura
2006 David Pruess
2007 Josh Friedel
2008 Vinay Bhat
2008 Irina Krush
2009 Ray Robson
2010 Robert Hess
2011 Alex Lenderman
2012 Timur Gareev
2012 Alejandro Ramirez
2013 Sam Shankland
2014 Daniel Naroditsky
2015 Samuel Sevian
2015 Kayden Troff
2016 Wesley So
2017-18 Jeffery Xiong
2018-19 Sam Sevian
2018-19 Awonder Liang
2019 Christopher Yoo

For the second year in a row, the US Chess Trust sponsored The World Junior Chess Championship for Players with Disabilities, organized and hosted by Trustee Beatriz Marinello, shown here leading a class with US Chess Trust Treasurer and National Master, Dr. Leroy Dubock.


Below: Chicago schoolkids enjoy their chess sets from the US Chess Trust.