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**VII Juegos Deportivos Escolares
Centroamericanos y del Caribe**

Córdoba 2025

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OVERVIEW



HOST CITY CORDOBA MONTERIA COLOMBIA: Montería, the capital city of the Department of Córdoba, is located in the northwestern part of the country, within Colombia's Caribbean region. Situated on the banks of the Sinú River—hence its nickname “Pearl of the Sinú”—it is also known as the “Cattle Capital of Colombia.” The city has a total population of 527,436 inhabitants and an average temperature ranging from 28°C to 32°C.

Montería is a cultural city recognized for its traditional folk dances such as cumbia, porro, and fandango, as well as for its handicrafts made from natural fibers, such as the iconic *sombrero vueltiao*. It is home to major national events such as the *corralejas* and the National Cattle Fair, both of significant importance in Colombia.

PARTICIPANT'S DECLARATION

General Regulations Art.29 When submitting their registration, participants in the JEDECAC shall sign the following declaration: “I hereby declare, on my honor, that I will respect the Statutes of CONCECADE, the General Regulations of the Central American and Caribbean School Sports Games, the Competition Rules, and all other provisions of the Games, committing myself to participate under the principles of Fair Play, applying my utmost effort and technical skills.”

VENUE: Pueblito Cordobés – Convention Center, (photo: Google maps)



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DATES: November 1–6, 2025

COMPETITION DAYS: November 2–5, 2025

TECHNICAL INFORMATION MEETING: November 1

REGULATIONS: The General Regulations of the JEDECAC shall apply, as well as the FIDE International Chess Laws.

CATEGORY: The athletes' age shall be as established in Article 28 of the JEDECAC General Regulations. The upper limit shall be 17 years of age as of the year of the competition, while no lower age limit is set, as this is not a contact sport.

DELEGATION QUOTAS

ATHLETES	Up to 5 female athletes
	Up to 5 male athletes
COACH	Up to two (2) coaches
DELEGATE	One (1)

- ❖ Each country may register 4 main competitors and 1 substitute per gender.
- ❖ For an event to be official and count towards the medal tally, at least 3 athletes or teams from different countries must be registered in that event.

MODALITIES AND EVENTS

Three tournaments will be played in both genders (male and female), which are:

- Classical Team
- Blitz Team
- Rapid Team

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TEAMS		TOURNAMENTS								TOTAL			
		CLASSICAL TEAM			RAPID TEAM			BLITZ TEAM					
		GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
FEMALE		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3
B O A R D	1°	1	1	1							1	1	1
	2°	1	1	1							1	1	1
	3°	1	1	1							1	1	1
	4°	1	1	1							1	1	1
	Substitute	1	1	1							1	1	1
MALE		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3
B O A R D	1°	1	1	1							1	1	1
	2°	1	1	1							1	1	1
	3°	1	1	1							1	1	1
	4°	1	1	1							1	1	1
	Substitute	1	1	1							1	1	1
TOTAL		12	12	12	2	2	2	2	2	2	16	16	16

The top three (3) overall places per country will be awarded with trophies.

MEDALS AT STAKE

GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
16	16	16

COMPETITION SYSTEM AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS.

Classical Team Tournament:

a) It will be played under a Round Robin system (each team plays all others) with one (1) round. Pairings will be determined by the international Berger tables after a draw. If there are more than 8 teams, a 7-round Swiss system will be used.

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- b) Each country will play with a team of four (4) main boards and one (1) substitute, for both male and female categories. Substitutions will follow the Olympic rotation system. Each team will have one (1) captain, for both male and female teams.
- c) The team playing with the white pieces will have players on the first and third boards playing with white, while players on the second and fourth boards will play with black.
- d) The time control will be ninety (90) minutes plus thirty (30) seconds increment per move for the entire game.
- e) The final ranking will be determined by the total points obtained from all games played.

Blitz Team Tournament:

- a) It will be played under a Round Robin system (each team plays all others) with one (1) round. Pairings will be determined by the international Berger tables after a draw. If there are more than 8 teams, a 7-round Swiss system will be used.
- b) Each country will play with a team of four (4) main boards and one (1) substitute, for both male and female categories. Substitutions will follow the Olympic rotation system. Each team will have one (1) captain, for both male and female teams.
- c) The team playing with the white pieces will have players on the first and third boards playing with white, while players on the second and fourth boards will play with black.
- d) The time control will be 3 minutes plus 2 seconds increment per move for the entire game.
- e) The final ranking will be determined by the total points obtained from all games played.

Rapid Team Tournament:

- a) It will be played under a Round Robin system (each team plays all others) with one (1) round. Pairings will be determined by the international Berger tables after a draw. If there are more than 8 teams, a 7-round Swiss system will be used.
- b) Each country will play with a team of four (4) main boards and one (1) substitute, for both male and female categories. Substitutions will follow the Olympic rotation system. Each team will have one (1) captain, for both male and female teams.

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- c) The team playing with the white pieces will have players on the first and third boards playing with white, while players on the second and fourth boards will play with black.
- d) The time control will be 25 minutes plus 5 seconds increment per move for the entire game.
- e) The final ranking will be determined by the total points obtained from all games played.

Tiebreaks:

Tiebreaks will be resolved in accordance with the FIDE Regulations in the following order:

For Team Tournaments under the Round Robin system:

1. Direct encounter
2. Match points
3. Total points
4. Sonneborn–Berger with cuts

For Team Tournaments under the Swiss system:

1. Direct encounter
2. Match points
3. Total points
4. Sonneborn–Berger with cuts

Opponent Waiting Time: The tolerance will be 30 minutes. The player who does not appear within this time frame will forfeit the game.

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AWARDS

By Team:

- 1st Place – Gold
- 2nd Place – Silver
- 3rd Place – Bronze

By Board: (First, second, third, fourth, and substitute) only in the Classical Team Tournament.

- 1st Place – Gold
- 2nd Place – Silver
- 3rd Place – Bronze

Awards will be given for each tournament, modality, and event as follows:

- 1st place – Gold medal
- 2nd place – Silver medal
- 3rd place – Bronze medal

Total medals at stake: 16 Gold, 16 Silver, and 16 Bronze

PROTESTS AND CLAIMS:

Article 39: Eligibility (based on age or affiliation to educational institutions). Protests regarding an athlete's eligibility before the start of the Games will be resolved by the JEDECAC Technical Committee for the respective sport. Protests must be signed by the Head of Mission, Deputy Head of Mission, or the respective Sports Delegate. To confirm athlete eligibility, delegations must present original passports during technical meetings. All Heads of Mission will have access to these documents.

Article 40: The Organizing Committee (OC) and the Technical Commission of CONCECADE (Central American and Caribbean Sports Council) will appoint a First Instance Appeals Tribunal for each sport.

This Tribunal will be composed of three (3) persons: the technical coordinator of the sport discipline and two representatives from participating countries elected during the technical information meeting.



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TRANSITORY PROVISIONS:

Any matters not covered in this document will be resolved by the JEDECAC Organizing Technical Committee.

Signed in August of the year two thousand twenty-five (2025).

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