

# Eddison Chen

Eddison Chen, 13, is in eighth grade at Oxford Middle School in Overland Park, Kansas. He started playing piano at 4 ½ and has been working with Sean Chen since 2020. Eddison previously studied with Professor Steven Spooner and Jung Spooner.

Despite being only 13 years old, Kansas City-native Eddison Chen was selected as one of only 12 Quarterfinalists in the 2023 Van Cliburn Junior International Piano Competition. He was also selected as one of 16 competitors in junior division of the 2023 Cleveland International Piano Competition for Young Artists. Eddison has won top prizes in many major competitions, including First Prize at the 2019 Chicago International Piano Competition and the Special Jury Discretionary Award of the 2019 Kaufman Music Center International Youth Piano Competition. At age 12, he was awarded Third Prize at the 2022 MTNA National Piano Competition Junior Division and Honorable Mention at the University of Minnesota School of Music's prestigious e-Piano Junior Competition in 2021. He is also the winner of the 2022 KCMTA Junior Concerto Competition, the 2018 Steinway Junior Piano Competition, and Third Prize at the 2019 International Young Artist Piano Competition in Washington, D.C.

Aside from piano, Eddison enjoys studying math and playing chess. He was a Finalist of the MATHCOUNTS National Competition in 2022, as well as the 2023 AIME (American Invitational Mathematics Examination) Qualifier. He is also a USCF-rated chess expert. Eddison loves to read books on science and watch BBC Earth and the 3Blue1Brown math channel.