WA State Middle School Individual Championship

April 30 – May 1st, 2011

**Eligibility**

* The MS Championship is open to all chess players grade 5-9. There is no qualification to play; however only WA State residents may be received awards. Special awards provided for out of state players.

**AWARDS**

* Generous trophies for all sections
* Cash award for top places of OPEN Section

**LOCATION**

* Tacoma Convention Center, Tacoma WA

 **SECTIONS/FORMAT**

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* U1000 – 5 round G/30. Restricted to players unrated and rated 1000 or less – 1 day (April 30)
* RESERVE – 5 Round G/45. Rating Restriction determined 1 week before the event. – 1 Day (April 30)
* OPEN – 5 Round G/90 – Open to all players – USCF Membership Required. Can be purchased at event. (April 30/May 1st)

**Note on OPEN and RESERVE Sections**

* All players may register for the OPEN Section. Players not wishing to play the second day may request 2 Half Point Byes for those days. All HPB must be requested before the tournament begins.
* The Rating Limit for the RESERVE Section is determined by the player composition. Players wishing to play in the RESERVE Section may register in that section. If a player’s rating exceeds the RESERVE section limit, they will be placed in the OPEN Section automatically. Last year’s RESERVE Limit was 1300. Players between 1000 and 1400 are encouraged to register for the RESERVE Section to be matched against appropriate completion.

Registration at nwchess.com/Onlineregistration

**NO Check-In required**: Doors open at 7:00. Pairings posted by 8:15am. Players must be in their seats ready to play at 7:45 or forfeit. Round 1 starts promptly at 8:00am. Players without a partner in Round one will be matched together. Players not in their seats, ready to play at 7:45am will forfeit their 1st round.

**General Restrictions**

* **PLAYER SUPPLIED CLOCKS REQUIRED for all sections.**
* **Recording required – Bring your own pencil and recording notebook. Come prepared!**
* **Vendor on site to purchase clocks and recording instruments.**

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