

# Washington State High School Individual Chess Championship



**January 21-22, 2022**

Online via  Chess.com

**Eligibility:** Open to any student registered in grades 9-12 in Washington State. A Chess.com account and Zoom account are required.

**Format:** A Swiss-style tournament in two sections:

- **CHAMPIONSHIP:** A 5-Round Swiss. For players rated 1500+, and any other player desiring to play for the title of Washington High School State Champion. Dual NWSRS and US Chess Online Rated, US Chess membership required. Zoom monitoring with dual or angled camera required. Time Control: G/70; +5 sec increment.
- **PREMIER:** A 5-Round Double Swiss – Play 10 games – one as white and one as black vs each opponent. For players rated below 1500. NWSRS Rated, US Chess Unrated. US Chess membership not required. Zoom help desk available; Zoom monitoring not required. Time Control: G/35; +5 sec increment.

**Schedule:** Zoom Check-in: 3:45-4:00pm on Friday January 21. All players are required to check in. Players checking in after 4pm may risk forfeiting the first round.

**Rounds (5):** Friday: 4:15pm, 7:15pm, Saturday: 10am, 1pm, 4pm (these times are firm).

**Half Point Byes:** Two half-point byes available. In interested, request before end of round 2.

**Rating:** Highest of January supplement US Chess Regular/US Chess Online, or current [Northwest rating](#) will be used to determine section eligibility and pairings.

**Entry Fee:** Championship: \$50 by 1/14, \$60 after. Half-off entry fee for all US Chess titled players. Premier: \$25 by 1/14, \$30 after.

**Questions?** Josh Sinanan, WCF President, 206.769.3757, [WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com](mailto:WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com)

**Individual Prizes:** Amazon Gift Cards awarded in both sections (based on 60 total paid entries).

<u>Championship</u>	<u>Premier</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> - \$100	\$50
2 <sup>nd</sup> - \$90	\$45
3 <sup>rd</sup> - \$80	\$40
4 <sup>th</sup> - \$70	\$35
5 <sup>th</sup> - \$60	\$30

Winner of the Championship section receives the title of *Washington State High School Chess Champion*. The State Champion will receive \$1000 of monetary support from the Washington Chess Federation to attend the Denker Tournament of High School Champions, which is held in conjunction with the 2022 US Open in early August. A tie for first place in the Championship section will be resolved later in the year by a playoff match, to be played within two months from the end of the tournament.

**Team Prizes:** Amazon Gift Cards awarded to the Top 5 Teams (Team score is comprised of the top 4 scores combined across both sections):

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team: \$75
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team: \$65
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team: \$55
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place Team: \$45
- 5<sup>th</sup> Place Team: \$35

**Registration:** All players must enter in advance via online registration at <https://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration/> or email by Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup> @ 8pm. 100% advance entry only.

**Make Checks Payable To:** Washington Chess Federation.

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**Procedure:** Pairings will be released prior to the start of each round. Games will be started automatically by the TD in the [Live Chess](#) area.

**Fair Play Agreement:** All players are required to sign the [WCF Fair Play Agreement](#) by Thursday Jan. 20 at 8pm. Players who have not filled out the fair play agreement by the deadline will be given a zero-point bye for round 1. WCF's Fair Play Committee will review any suspicious games on a case-by-case basis. Fair play standards will be strictly enforced. Fair play violators will be haunted for life by the ghost of Mikhail Tal!

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