INTERMAT CANDIDATES

CHESS TOURNAMENT

Saturday March 19TH, 2022





FORMAT:

Thirteen 4-player quads by grade level, grades K-12. Each quad is comprised of the four highest rated WA players in each grade who accept the invitation. The two highest finishers in each quad (by tiebreaks) will be selected as the two honored players who will make up Team Washington in the 2022 WA vs BC International Scholastic Match, scheduled to take place April 23, 2022 online via chess.com. All games in both the Intermat Candidates Tournament and WA vs BC Intermat will be played online due to the ongoing pandemic.

TIME CONTROL:

G/90; +30 sec. increment.

ENTRY FEE: \$75. SCHEDULE:

Rounds @: 9 AM, 1 PM, 5 PM. Delayed start available upon request if games go long. Playoff rounds if needed to break ties for top two places immediately after the last round: Two 5-minute (no delay) blitz games. If still tied, G/6 white. G/5 black with draw odds. No **byes allowed** since this is a prestigious Round Robin tournament.

MEMBERSHIPS:

A Chess.com and Zoom account are required. US Chess and WCF membership are required.

PRIZES:

\$25 Amazon Gift Cards awarded to the two highest-finishing players in each grade level.

RATING:

All games will be dual US Chess Online rated and NWSRS rated. Highest of current NWSRS or US Chess Regular/Online March supplement rating will be used to determine player eligibility and pairings.

ELIGIBILITY:

Please register online at https://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistra tion/. We will take the four highest rated players in each grade who confirm by the deadline of March 12th. Please feel free to sign up early, but do not pay until participation has been confirmed. The highest rated alternate in each grade level will be called up in case a player withdraws at the last minute. Alternates should be standing by on the morning of March 19th in case a spot becomes available.



THE DETAILS

Procedure:

Pairings and Standings will be updated on a spreadsheet for every round. Players will be paired automatically by the Tournament Director (TD) in the Live Chess area and will inform the TD of their result upon completion of the game. A welcome email will be sent out to all participants before the start of the tournament.

Fair Play Policy:

All players and parents are required to sign the WCF Fair Play Agreement prior to the start of the tournament.

WCF's Fair Play Committee will review any suspicious games on a case-by-case basis. Fair play standards strictly enforced and good sportsmanship is strongly encouraged!

Online Registration:

NWchess.com/OnlineRegistration/ Pay by Credit/Debit/PayPal.

Registration, payment, and fair play agreement deadline is Saturday, March 12th by 5pm. No registrations will be accepted after the deadline.

Questions? Contact Josh Sinanan, WCF President, 206.769.3757, WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com