

Washington Winter Classic



DECEMBER 16-17TH, 2023

LAKESIDE UPPER SCHOOL

14050 1ST AVE NE, SEATTLE, WA 98125

Highest finishing player in the Open and Reserve sections seeded into the Premier and Challengers sections, respectively, of the 2024 WA State Championship.

Format

A five-round, G/90; +30 Swiss in two sections:

Open & Reserve U1600.

Dual NWSRS and US Chess Rated. Open section also FIDE Rated. In case of a tie for 1st place, follow-up playoff games will determine the seed for the Premier or Challengers section of the 2024 Washington State Championship.

Time Control: G/90; +30 sec. increment.

Schedule: Sat @ 9 AM, 2 PM, 6 PM. Sun @ 10 AM, 3 PM.

Closing Ceremony: Sun ~ 7 PM or asap.

Games that go long may request a late start for the next round.

Byes: Two half-point byes available if requested before end of round 2.

Prize Fund: \$4,000 (based on 80 paid entries)

Open: 1st-3rd: \$600, \$450, \$350. 1st U2100/U1900/U1700: \$225

Reserve: 1st-3rd: \$300, \$250, \$200. 1st U1500/U1300/U1100: \$150; 1st Unrated: \$150.

Special Prizes (per section): Biggest Upset Win: \$80, Highest (USCF) Rating Gain: \$80, Best Female Player (by TPR): \$80, Best Dressed: \$25/day.

Entry Fee: \$100 by 12/9, \$125 after. Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs, and WIMs. Players rated 1400-1599 may play up into Open section for an additional \$50 fee. Maximum of 80 players – please register early to guarantee your spot.

Memberships: Current US Chess and WCF membership/Northwest Chess subscription required. Memberships must be paid at time of registration.

Rating: US Chess and NWSRS Rated. Open section is also FIDE Rated. Higher of December US Chess or current NWSRS rating used to determine section, pairings, and prizes. Higher of US Chess or foreign rating used at TD discretion.

Registration: Online at nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration
Registration and payment **deadline: Fri. 12/15 @ 5pm.** No registrations accepted or refunds offered after the deadline. Payment via Zelle/PayPal (ID: WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com) or Venmo (ID: @WAChess) also available.

Info/Entries: Make checks payable to Washington Chess Federation.

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Procedure/Protocols: Pairings and standings will be posted near the playing area before each round. Face masks optional for players and spectators. If interested, please bring your own mask.