

# WASHINGTON CHALLENGER'S CUP



SUN-MON, NOVEMBER 10-11, 2024

CHINOOK MIDDLE SCHOOL

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*Highest finishing Washington residents in the Open and Reserve sections seeded into the 2025 Washington State Championship + Rising Stars sections, respectively.*

**Format:** A 5-round Swiss in two sections:

**Gukesh Open** - NW, US Chess & FIDE tri-rated.

**Praggnanandhaa U1700** - NW & US Chess dual-rated.

In case of a tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place, a future playoff match will determine the seed for the Championship or Rising Stars section of the 2025 Washington State Championship.

**Schedule:** Sunday 9 AM, 1 PM, 5 PM; Monday 10 AM, 3 PM. Closing Ceremony: Monday ~ 7pm or asap. Players whose games run long may request a late start for the next round.

**Time Control:** G/90; +30. Late default: 60 min.

**Prize Fund:** \$2,300 (based on 60 paid entries)

**Gukesh Open:** 1<sup>st</sup> \$400, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$280, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$200  
1<sup>st</sup> U2100/U1900: \$120

**Praggnanandhaa U1700:** 1<sup>st</sup> \$280, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$200, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$120  
1<sup>st</sup> U1500/U1300/U1100: \$100; 1<sup>st</sup> Unrated: \$100

**Special Prizes** (per section): Biggest Upset Win: \$40, Best Female Player (by TPR): \$40, Best Dressed: \$10/day.

**Entry Fee:** \$70 by 11/3, \$80 after. Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs & WIMs. \$40 play-up fee if rated 1500-1700 in both NWSRS + USCF and playing in Gukesh Open. Maximum of 150 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.

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

**Rating:** US Chess and NWSRS Rated. Gukesh Open section is also FIDE Rated. Highest of current NWSRS, Nov. US Chess Regular, and Nov. FIDE 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](http://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration)  
Registration and payment **deadline: Sat. 11/9 @ 5pm.** Payment via SettleKing, Zelle/PayPal (ID: WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com) or Venmo (ID: @WChess) also available.

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

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