

WASHINGTON PRESIDENT'S CUP



SAT-SUN, JAN 25-26, 2025

BLAKELEY HALL

2550 NE PARK DR., ISSAQUAH, WA 98029

Highest finishing Washington resident in the Open section seeded into the 2026 Washington State Championship – Invitational section.

Format: A 5-round Swiss in two sections:

Washington (1600+): NWSRS, US Chess & FIDE Tri-Rated.

Jefferson U1600: NWSRS & US Chess Dual-Rated.

Schedule: Saturday 10 AM, 1 PM, 6 PM; Sunday 10 AM, 3:30 PM. Closing Ceremony: Sunday ~ 8pm or asap. Players whose games run long may request a late start for the next round.

Time Control: Rd. 1: G/60; +15. Rds. 2-5: 40/100, SD/30, +15. Late default: 60 min.

Prize Fund: \$3,500 (based on 100 paid entries)

Washington: 1st-6th: \$450-375-300-225-150-125.
1st U2000/U1800: \$100

Jefferson: 1st-4th: \$325-250-175-125.
1st U1400/U1200/U1000: \$100; 1st Unrated: \$70

Special Prizes (per section): **Biggest Upset Win:** \$10/round, **Best Female Player** (by TPR): \$25, **Best Dressed:** \$20/day, **Best Senior Players** (50+ & 65+, by TPR): \$25, **Biggest USCF Rating Gain:** \$25, **Best Annotated game:** \$25. Minimum of 3 qualifying players per section for best female/senior player to be awarded.

Entry Fee: \$70 by 1/18, \$80 after. Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs & WIMs. Players rated 1400+ (in both NWSRS + USCF) and wishing to play up into the Washington section may register for an extra \$40 play-up fee. 100 players max – please sign up early!

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. Washington section is also FIDE Rated. Higher of January US Chess Regular or current NWSRS rating used to determine section, pairings, and prizes.

Registration: Online at:
nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration.

(pay by credit / debit / PayPal / Zelle / SettleKing) or write a check to Washington Chess Federation. For credit, debit, and PayPal payments, a processing fee of 4% will be added on, so consider saving by using Zelle or SettleKing instead. Registration and payment **deadline: Fri. 1/24 @ 5pm.**

In case of a tie for 1st place, a future follow-up playoff match will determine the seed for the Invitational section of the 2026 Washington State Championship.

Info/Entries: Make checks payable to Washington Chess Federation. Mail to: Washington Chess Federation - c/o Orlov Chess Academy, 4174 148th Ave. NE, Building I, Ste. M, Redmond, WA 98052

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