

2025 Western States Regional Chess Championship for Girls & Women



Sat-Sun, April 12-13, 2025

Sat – Orlov Chess Academy – Seattle
7212 Woodlawn Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98115

Sun – Chinook Middle School
2001 98th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98004



Format

A regional tournament open to all female chess players in three sections.

Megan Lee Championship

A 5-round, G/60; +30 Swiss over two days (Sat-Sun). Tri-rated in NWSRS, US Chess, and FIDE. Rds.: Sat. @ OCA Seattle: 9am, 1pm, 5pm. Sun. @ Chinook: 9am, 4:30pm. Awards ~ 7:30pm.

Divya Deshmukh U1300

A 1-day, 5-round, G/40; +5 Swiss. NWSRS & US Chess dual rated. Rds.: Sun. @ Chinook: 9am, 10:45am, 1pm, 4:30pm, 6pm. Awards ~ 7:30pm.

Carissa Yip U700

A 1-day, 5-round, G/25; +5 Swiss. NWSRS & US Chess dual rated. Rds.: Sun. @ Chinook: 9am, 10:30am, 1pm, 4:30pm, 6pm. Awards ~ 7:30pm.

Prize Fund: \$2,500 (Guaranteed, thanks to generous grants and donations from US Chess & My Chess World.)

Championship:

1st – 3rd: \$400, \$260, \$180

1st U1800/U1600/U1400: \$60

U1300:

1st – 3rd: \$180, \$140, \$110

1st U1200/U1000/U800: \$60

U700:

1st – 3rd: \$140, \$110, \$80

1st U600/U400/U200/unrated: \$60

Special Prizes (per section):

Biggest Upset Win: \$10/round

Best Dressed: \$10

Best Etiquette: \$10

Kindness & Spreading Joy: \$10

Best Mother/Daughter Team: \$20

Entry Fee: \$50 if postmarked or online by 4/5, \$60 after. Free entry for WGMs, WIMs, WFM, and US Chess 2000+. Maximum of 30 players in Championship section and 150 players total, please register early.

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

Rating: Highest of April US Chess or current NWSRS rating will be used to determine section, pairings, and prizes. Higher of US Chess or foreign ratings used at TD discretion.

Memberships: US Chess membership required. Membership must be paid at the time of registration.

WA State Elementary Qualifier!

Registration: nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration

Pay by Credit/Debit/PayPal/SettleKing.

Registration and payment deadline: Fri. 4/11 @ 5pm.

For credit, debit, and PayPal payments, a processing fee of 4% will be added on, so please consider saving by using Zelle or SettleKing instead.

Payment is also available via Zelle (ID: WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com).

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, Suite M, Redmond, WA 98052.

Contact: Josh Sinanan, WCF President, 206-769-3757, washingtonchessfederation@gmail.com

Fun Side Events!

Workshop for Girls and Women: Sun @ 12-1pm.
Includes complementary pizza lunch!

FM Megan Lee Simul: Sun @ 2:15-3:45pm.
EF: \$25. Max 25 players, please register early.

Puzzle Solving Competition: Sun @ 4-4:30pm. EF: \$10.

