

Summer Hand & Brain Blitz



Sunday, Jun 14, 2026
Grand Knights Chess Academy
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Co-hosted by Washington Chess Federation and Grand Knights Chess Academy

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Registration: Online at
nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration
Online registration & payment **due by Sat, Jun 13 @ 5pm**, or else register & pay at site: Sun, Jun 14 @ 5:30-6:15pm.

Rounds: 6:30pm, 6:50, 7:10, 7:30, 7:50pm; Award ceremony ~8:15pm.

Eligibility: Open to all players: junior & adult.

Format: A 5-Round, G/5; +3 (sec. increment), single Swiss team event in one section.

Entry Fee: \$15/player if postmarked or paid online by Jun 06; \$20 by Jun 13 or at-site. Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs.

Prize Fund: \$250 (based on 10 teams):

Team Prizes: 1st-3rd (teams): \$50-\$40-\$30; 1st U1800/U1600/U1400/U1200 (by avg. team rating): \$20

Special Prizes: Happiest Teammate: \$5, Most Patient Teammate: \$5, Best Sportsmanship Team: \$5 each, Best Dressed Team: \$5 each, Best Teamwork: \$5 each, Best Mixed-Gender Team: \$5 each.

Byes: One half-point bye available. If interested, request before the end of round 2.

Memberships: No memberships required.

Rating: Unrated. Highest of June 2026 US Chess Blitz, US Chess Regular, or current NWSRS rating used to determine pairings and prizes. Average team rating must be <2000.

Useful Hand & Brain resources:

♣ <https://www.chess.com/terms/hand-and-brain-chess>
♣ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hand_and_brain

Rules violations (e.g., an illegal move) incur a 1-min penalty (added to the other team's clock). Up to 3 violations per game, after which the offending team forfeits the game.