WASHINGTON PRESIDENT'S CUP

SAT-SUN, JANUARY 30-31, 2027

HOTEL 116 BELLEVUE

625 116TH AVE NE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004

Highest finishing Washington resident in the Carter Open section seeded into the 2028 Washington State Championship – Invitational section.

Format: A five-round Swiss in three sections:

Carter Open, **Reagan U1800** & **Bush U1400**

In case of a tie for 1st place, a future follow-up playoff match will determine the seed for the 2028 Washington State Championship.

Time Control: G/90; +30 sec. increment. Late default: 60 minutes.

Schedule: Saturday 9:30 AM, 2 PM, 6:30 PM. Sunday 10 AM, 3 PM. Games that go long may request a late start for the next round.

Prize Fund: $7,000 based on 100 pd entries.

Carter Open: 1st–4th: $640–540–440–340. 1st U2100/U1900: $300.

Reagan U1800: 1st–4th: $400–350–300–250. 1st U1700/U1500: $200.

Bush U1400: 1st–4th: $400–350–300–250. 1st U1300/U1100: $190; 1st Unrated: $190.

Special Prizes (per section): Biggest Upset Win: $20/rd., Best Female Player (by TPR): $75, Best Senior Player (50+, by TPR): $75, Best Dressed: $20/day.

Entry Fee: $130 by 1/23, $150 after. Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs, and WIMs (pending successful/proper completion of the tournament). Chess Ambassadors rated 2200+ USCF receive a $50 discount. $65 play-up fee if rated 1600-1799 or 1200-1399 USCF and playing up in Carter Open or Reagan U1800, respectively. Maximum of 175 players, please register early.

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

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

Rating: Dual USCF + NWSRS rated. Carter Open and Reagan U1800 are also FIDE rated. January 2027 USCF rating will be used to determine section, pairings, and prizes. Higher of USCF and CFC ratings used for Canadian players. Other foreign ratings are used for players with no USCF rating, or at TD discretion.

Registration: Online at nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration. Pay by SettleKing (Washington Chess Federation), Zelle (ID: see email below), or mail a check to WCF. Registration and payment **deadline: Fri. 1/29 @ 5pm.** No registrations accepted or refunds offered after the deadline.

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

Contact: Josh Sinanan, WCF President, 206.769.3757

Email: WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com

Presidential Blitz: Sunday 7:15-9:15pm (after rd. 5 of main tournament). **Entry Fee:** $30. **Format:** A 9-Round Single Swiss in one section, 2 half-point byes available. Dual USCF Blitz + FIDE Blitz rated. **TC:** G/3; +2. **On-site registration:** 6:15-7pm. Rds. Sun @ 7:15 or asap, 7:30, 7:45, 8, 8:15, 8:30, 8:45, 9, 9:15pm. Closing Ceremony ~ 9:30pm or asap. Current US Chess membership required. Higher of January 2027 USCF Blitz or Regular rating used to determine pairings and prizes.

Prize Fund: $750 (based on 50 paid entries)

1st – 3rd: $150-125-100, 1st U2200/U1800/U1400/U1000: $75 1st Unrated: $40, Biggest upset: $5/rd.