



Washington High School Chess Association



High school chess players of all skill levels are invited to play in the ...

Southwest Washington High School Chess Championships

Saturday, February 4, 2023 at Centralia College



Who Can Play: High school (9th-12th grade) students in the following counties: Clallam, Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Kitsap, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, Skamania, Thurston, Wahkiakum. Beginners welcome.

Team Championship: This event is a Regional Qualifying Tournament. Winning high school teams qualify to compete in the 57th annual Washington State High School Chess Team Championships, being held this year March 3rd and 4th at Stanwood High School. A school's team score is the sum of the best five results from a school.

Individual Championship: The individual winner earns the title of 2023 Southwest Washington High School Chess Champion.

Format: One section, five rounds, no elimination, so all players play all five rounds.

Schedule: Check-in: 9:00 to 9:25am. Five rounds played. Awards ceremony 3:45pm.

Awards: Top finishing teams earn a berth to the 57th annual Washington State High School Chess Team Championships. Trophies go to the top five individual finishers. Medals to the top three in each grade (if no trophy). All players who did not earn a trophy or medal, but posted a winning score (3 wins or more) will receive a chess magazine. Door Prizes: A chess book will be given out randomly at the start of each round.

Cost: Free entry, courtesy of WHSCA and CEA, two chess non-profits working to bring the benefits of chess to students.

To Enter: Register online by February 2, via whsca.org. Early registrants (by Jan. 19) receive a free chess magazine. Visit whsca.org for more info, tourney FAQ, video, and details on the SW WA Middle School Championships also.

