

# 2018 Interimat Candidates Tournament

March 24, 2018

**Site:** Seattle Chess Club, 2150 North 107th Street, Seattle, WA 98133

**Organizer:** Washington Chess Federation

**TD:** Fred Kleist

**Format:** Thirteen 4-player quads by grade level, grades K-12. Each quad is comprised of the four highest rated WA players in each grade who accept the invitation. The two highest finishers in each quad (by tiebreaks) will be selected as the two honored players who will make up Team Washington at the 2018 WA vs BC International Scholastic Chess Match on May 5 in Vancouver, B.C.

**Entry Fee:** \$40

**Rating:** All games will be dual Northwest and US Chess rated, US Chess and WCF membership required. Higher of March 1<sup>st</sup> NWSRS rating or US Chess March 2018 rating supplement will be used to determine player eligibility.

**Time Control:** Game in 90 minutes with a 30-second increment per move.

**Schedule:** Check-in: 8:30-8:50am, Rd 1: 9am, Rd 2: 1:30pm, Rd 3: 6pm  
Playoff rounds if needed to break ties for top two places immediately after the last round: Two 5-minute blitz games. If still tied, G/6 white, G/5 black with draw odds.

**Prizes:** Plaques awarded to the two highest finishing players in each grade level.

**Registration:** Please register online at <http://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration/>. If you are on the list of invited players, please confirm your ability to play on the website. See the list of invited players sorted by rating. To confirm or decline, just click on your name, then Modify, enter your password, then select your section. We will take the four highest rated invited players in each grade who confirm by the deadline of Sunday, March 18. Feel free to sign up early, but please do not pay until participation has been confirmed. The first highest rated alternate in each grade level will be called up in case a player withdraws at the last minute. Alternates may come to the tournament on the morning of the March 24<sup>th</sup> in case someone doesn't show up and a spot opens.

## Questions?

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