

# 2026 Western States Regional Chess Championship for Girls & Women



Sat-Sun, April 4-5, 2026

Country Inn & Suites by Radisson  
19333 N Creek Pkwy S, Bothell, WA 98011



## 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, USCF, and FIDE. Rounds: Saturday: 9am, 4:45pm. Sunday: 9am, 1pm, 5pm. Awards ~ 7:30pm.

### Divya Deshmukh U1300

A 1-day, 5-round, G/40; +5 Swiss. NWSRS & USCF dual rated. Rounds: Saturday: 9am, 10:45am, 1pm, 4:45pm, 6:15pm. Awards ~ 7:45pm.

### Carissa Yip U800

A 1-day, 4-round, G/25; +5 Swiss. NWSRS & USCF dual rated. Rounds: Saturday: 9am, 10am, 11am, 1pm. Awards ~ 2pm.

**Prize Fund: \$1,500** (Guaranteed, thanks to generous grants and donations from US Chess, WCF & My Chess World.)

### Megan Lee Championship

1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>: \$400, \$300, \$200  
1<sup>st</sup> U1800/U1600/U1400: \$75

### Divya Deshmukh U1300

1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>: \$175, \$125, \$75  
Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup> U1100, 1<sup>st</sup> U1000, 1<sup>st</sup> U900

### Carissa Yip U800

Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> Overall,  
1<sup>st</sup> U600, 1<sup>st</sup> U500, 1<sup>st</sup> Unrated.

### Special Prizes (per section):

Medals awarded for Biggest Upset Win, Best Dressed, and Best Mother/Daughter Team.

**Entry Fee:** \$55 if postmarked or online by 3/28, \$65 after. Free entry for WGMs, WIMs, WFM, and USCF rated 2000+. Maximum of 90 players, please register early.

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

**Rating:** Highest of April USCF 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 Scholastic Championships Qualifier!

**Registration:** [nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration](http://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration)

Pay by Zelle (ID: wa-chess or WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com), SettleKing (ID: Washington Chess Federation), or write a check to WCF.

**Registration and payment deadline: Fri. 4/3 @ 5pm.**

**Info/Entries:** Make checks payable to Washington Chess Federation.

**Mail To:** Washington Chess Federation, c/o Orlov Chess Academy - 4174 148<sup>th</sup> 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:** Saturday 12-1pm.  
Includes complementary pizza lunch!

**Women's Champion Simul:** Saturday 2:15-3:45pm.  
EF: \$25. Max 25 players, please register early.

**Puzzle Solving Competition:** Saturday 4-4:30pm. EF: \$10.



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