

# Chess Tournament Calendar 2011-12

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No, we don't expect **anyone** to attend all of these, this is just information on some of the tournaments that are available to attend ©  
**Unless otherwise noted, all tournaments below are NWSRS rated. Only Washington tournaments are state qualifiers.**  
**Dates for local tournaments (Portland/Vancouver) highlighted in red.**

Feb. 11	<a href="#">Charles Wright Academy Chess Challenge (K-1, 2-3, 4-6, <b>4-round G/45 7-12/adult</b>) - Tacoma</a>
<b>Feb. 19</b>	<a href="#">Chess Works Quads (Quads U1400 NWSRS only, Quads above 1400 NWSRS/USCF) - at Portland Chess Club</a>
<b>Feb. 20</b>	<a href="#">EinsteinWise Presidents' Day Chess Tournament (K-3 U800 and Open, K-6 U800 and Open) - Vancouver</a>
Feb. 24-25	<a href="#">HS State Team Championship (Issaquah High School)</a>
<b>Feb. 25</b>	<a href="#">YMCA (K-3, 4-6, <b>7-12</b>) - Salmon Creek Elementary, Vancouver</a>
<b>Feb. 25</b>	<a href="#">2012 Whitford/Cooper Mtn Scholastic Chess Championships - Beaverton, OR</a>
Mar. 3	<a href="#">Mountlake Terrace Spring Fling (Beginners, K only, <i>Girls only 1-3 U900 &amp; 4-6 U1000, 1-3 U900, 1-3 Open, 4-6 U1000, 4-6 Open, <b>7-12, Elite</b></i> - 7-12 and Elite combined with Middle School State Individual Tournament) - Lynnwood, WA</a>
Mar. 3	<a href="#">Middle School State Individual Tournament - Combined with Spring Fling Elite and 7-12 - Lynnwood, WA</a>
Mar. 4	<a href="#">Chess Works Quads (Quads U1400 NWSRS only, Quads above 1400 NWSRS/USCF) - at Portland Chess Club</a>
<b>Mar. 4</b>	<a href="#">Portland Chess Shop Rapid Tournament (USCF rated and not rated sections) - Portal Games, Portland</a>
<b>Mar. 18</b>	<a href="#">Chess Works Quads (Quads U1400 NWSRS only, Quads above 1400 NWSRS/USCF) - at Portland Chess Club</a>
<b>Mar. 24</b>	<a href="#">Cornerstone Last Chance Chess Tournament (K-3, 4-6 U800, 4-6 Open, <b>7-12 U900, 7-12 Open, Parents</b>)</a>
Mar. 24	<a href="#">Medina Queens Quest Girls Only Tournament - <b>GIRLS ONLY</b> - Seattle</a>
Mar. 31	<a href="#">Centralia Christian School (K-3, 4-6, <b>7-12</b>) - Centralia, WA</a>
Mar. 31 - Apr. 1	<a href="#">WA State Girls Championship Chess Tournament (formerly the WA Susan Polgar Qualifier), Redmond Library, Redmond, WA- <b>GIRLS ONLY</b></a>
<b>Apr. 1</b>	<a href="#">Chess Works Quads (Quads U1400 NWSRS only, Quads above 1400 NWSRS/USCF) - at Portland Chess Club</a>
Apr. 7	<a href="#">Tournament of Champions/Challengers (Champions &gt;1300 or 4.5/5.0, Challengers &gt;1000 or 4.0 - K-3, 4-6) - Seattle</a>
Apr. 13-15	<a href="#">National High School (K-12) Championship - Minneapolis, MN (USCF only)</a>
<b>Apr. 15</b>	<a href="#">Chess Works Quads (Quads U1400 NWSRS only, Quads above 1400 NWSRS/USCF) - at Portland Chess Club</a>
Apr. 21	<a href="#">Washington State Elementary Chess Championships - Pasco, WA</a>
Apr. 27-29	<a href="#">2012 National Junior High (K-9) Championship - San Diego, CA (USCF only)</a>
May 5	<a href="#">WA vs BC International Scholastic Invitational (K-12, INVITATION ONLY) - Vancouver, BC</a>
May 11-13	<a href="#">National Elementary (K-6) Championship - Nashville, TN (USCF only)</a>
Jun 1-3	<a href="#">Susan Polgar Foundation National Open for Boys and Girls - New Orleans</a>
Aug. 4-5	<b>Tentative</b> - Scholastic tournament at the US Open - Vancouver, WA
<b>Aug. 4-7</b>	<a href="#">Dewain Barber Tournament of K-8 Champions - Vancouver, WA (by invitation only)</a>
<b>Aug. 4-7</b>	<a href="#">Denker Tournament of High School Champions - Vancouver, WA (by invitation only)</a>

## Weekly Activities:

[Every Friday starting 9/9/11, approx. 7PM - 10PM - Friday Night Quads \(K-12\) - Einsteinwise \(Vancouver, WA\)](#)

[Mondays from 4-5 PM - Children's Chess Mates \(ages 6-11\) at Fort Vancouver Library - Beginning level](#)

[Mondays, 5:00 - 7:45 PM - Chess Club at Fort Vancouver Library - all ages - Vancouver, WA \(this is not rated, it is casual play\)](#)

## USCF rated tournaments:

The Portland Chess Club also offers some tournaments that are only USCF rated, not NWSRS rated. These tournaments require USCF and WCF membership (you can sign up there). Everyone is welcome at these tournaments, but there will be mostly adults playing and these tournaments are best suited for serious, mature players. The currently posted schedule for these is below:

**2/25, 3/31, 4/28, 5/19, 6/30, 7/28. 8/25, 9/26** (usually last Sat. of month) [Portland Chess Club G60 \(USCF only\)](#)

## Other events best suited for serious, mature players:

<b>Mar. 4</b>	<a href="#">Six-round Swiss Rapid Chess Tournament(G/15) - Portal Games/The Portland Chess Shop - Portland (USCF only)</a>
Mar. 10-11	<a href="#">Silverdale Beach Hotel Classic - Silverdale, WA (USCF only)</a>
<b>Mar. 17-18</b>	<a href="#">Portland Chess Club Spring Open - Portland (USCF only)</a>
Apr. 6-9	<a href="#">6th Annual Grand Pacific Open - Victoria, BC (FIDE and CFC rated)</a>
Apr. 14-15	<i>Tentative</i> - 6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Clark Harmon memorial, location to be announced, WA (Possibly Vancouver!) (USCF only)
May 5-6	<i>Tentative</i> - Oregon Class Championship
May 26-28	Washington Open - location to be announced, WA (USCF only)
Jul. 8-13	<a href="#">Canadian Open - Hotel Grand Pacific, Victoria, BC (FIDE and CFC rated)</a>
<b>Jul. 14-15</b>	<a href="#">Portland Chess Club Summer Open - Portland (USCF only)</a>
<b>Aug. 4-12</b>	113 <sup>th</sup> US Open Chess Championships, Vancouver, WA (USCF only)

Other events updated as scheduled... see <http://www.calendarwiz.com/calendars/calendar.php?crd=nwsrsevents&>, [www.nwchess.com](http://www.nwchess.com), [www.chess4life.com](http://www.chess4life.com), [www.chessplayer.com](http://www.chessplayer.com), [www.signup4chess.com](http://www.signup4chess.com) or [www.pdxchess.com](http://www.pdxchess.com) for latest OR/WA lists and [uschess.org](http://uschess.org) for National USCF events.

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