New Format for WSECC 2025

Grades	Premier sections: No qualification required.	Championship sections: Qualify with a plus score in a 4+ round NWSRS rated tournament.
1st	Premier: Rating Under 800	Championship
2nd	Premier: Rating Under 800	Championship
3rd	Premier: Rating Under 800	Championship
4th	Premier: Rating Under 1000	Championship
5th	Premier: Rating Under 1000	Championship
6th	Premier: Rating Under 1000	Championship
Kindergarten	One section; no qualification required.	

Format: A 5-round Swiss in 13 sections as shown above.

Eligibility & Qualification requirements: Players are required to play within their grade-level sections. Each 1st through 6th grade section will be subdivided into Championship and Premier sections. The WSECC Board or the tournament organizer can grant section waivers for players to play out of section on a case-by-case basis.

<u>Championship Sections</u>: Dual NWSRS + US Chess rated, w/ USCF membership required.

- Qualified players, who earn a plus (>50% of the possible points) score in a 4-round or more NWSRS-rated tournament, are eligible to play in the Championship sections.
- There are no rating restrictions to play in the Championship sections.

<u>Premier Sections:</u> NWSRS rated, no membership required.

• All players are eligible to play in the Premier sections and they do not have to qualify as long as their ratings are under the threshold specified for their grade at the time of the State tournament.

Kindergarten: NWSRS rated, no membership required.

- Kindergarteners automatically qualify to play in the State tournament and they will all be grouped in a single section.
- We strongly encourage tournament experience prior to playing in the State tournament.

Time Control: G/25; d5.

Tournaments Eligible to be State Qualifiers: No changes to criteria for State-qualifying events. Current State qualifier requirements can be found here: <u>https://ratingsnw.com/more/is-my-event-a-wa-state-elementary-state-qualifier.html</u>

Additional Sections: Check <u>wsecc.squarespace.com</u> for MS and additional sections.

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