



# Orchard Center Elementary Chess Club ~ Grades 2-5

*Sign up for SPRING 2025*



**BEFORE SCHOOL Fridays, 8:50 to 9:50 am**

**7 Weeks ~ Apr 18, 25 May 2, 9, 16, 30 June 6**

**Professional chess coach Colleen Kirsten** provides 15 minutes of lectures, exercises, or videos, then directs tournament play. Students compete in chess club tournament for awards. The chess club also competes in regional tournaments held on Saturdays. Qualifying students are encouraged to attend the WA State Elementary Chess Championship in Tacoma, WA April 26, 2025.

**Chess tuition: Each student pays \$35 and receives \$35 scholarship. Tuition total \$70.**

Tuition provides: A. coaching fees, B. coaching supplies, C. end of semester awards, and, D. insurance, coach development, and administration costs. Note: Inland Chess Academy does not contact children directly by phone, text, or email.

## Register Orchard Center EM Chess Club ~ Spring 2025

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ New to Chess Club? \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ New to Chess Club? \_\_\_\_\_

Chess Skill: \_\_\_ Beginner \_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_ Advanced Played in tournament? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

**Allergies and/or other issues:** \_\_\_\_\_

Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ eMail: \_\_\_\_\_  
(or Guardian)

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ WA ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ \$35 Chess club fee for each student.

\_\_\_ \$15 **OPTIONAL** tournament style chess set for study and play at home.

\_\_\_ \$18 **OPTIONAL** Annual subscription to [www.chesskid.com](http://www.chesskid.com) a child safe study and play website.

\_\_\_ \$22 **OPTIONAL** Annual subscription to Chess Magnet School, a child safe study website.

Pay total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Make check payable to Inland Chess Academy. Leave registration and money with school secretary, mail Inland Chess Academy, or bring them to first day of Chess Club.

### Inland Chess Academy ~

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**NOTICE to PARENTS:** Scientific research proves the study of chess enhances academic performance, increases overall brain functions, and builds positive behavior. In order for students to realize the enormous benefits of chess, daily study is required. Research shows that a minimum of 20 minutes of daily study yields significant academic and behavioral benefits. Inland Chess Academy offers two optional child-safe websites programs for home study: Chess Magnet School and ChessKid, at discounted prices. Also available are home study workbooks. Please support chess study at home.

Contact [chess@inlandchess.org](mailto:chess@inlandchess.org) or phone 509-822-9800

The Inland Chess Academy's curriculum is built on research proven methods developed by chess masters and educators, and recommended by the United States Chess Federation (USCF).

**Beginner** - Beginners learn and demonstrate the basics of chess play, chess rules, and etiquette.

**Intermediate** - Students learn algebraic notation, playing with a clock, an understanding of strategies for opening a chess game, major tactical techniques, and basic endgame theory.

**Advanced** - Students develop advanced competitive strategies including an opening repertoire, positional strategies, tactical combinations, endgame play, and methods of applying sport psychology to their games.

**All** students gain knowledge of chess history, chess news, and grow their appreciation of chess. Students are encouraged to play in regional and state tournaments for individual and team awards.

The Inland Chess Academy is building a vibrant chess community:

- ~ Regional tournaments for students and parents, twice monthly on Saturdays.
- ~ Camps on holidays, spring break, and during summer.
- ~ Tutoring and special interest study groups.

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