# **Northwest Scholastic Rating System**

# 2023 - 2024: The Top Ten in Each Grade in WA

I made some changes in the last two years that continue this year. In the past, to reach anywhere on these pages, players had to be a Washington resident and play a minimum of 15 NWSRS rated games last season, without exception. However, several years ago I decided to honor those players who are highly rated, but for whatever reason, did not play the minimum of 15 games in the system. But the effect of the pandemic has changed how I did things in the last two years and how I am doing them again this year. The pandemic has had a negative effect on over-the-board chess. To keep scholastic chess going in the northwest, I resorted to rating tournaments played online. This was a temporary measure and now that the pandemic appears to be over (hopefully), I note the majority of the events submitted to me for rating now are over-the-board play. I contemplating discontinuing the rating of online tournaments, but I am waiting for comments from affected parties. In addition to other problems with online chess, there has been an influx of players from out-of-state playing in tournaments rated in the NWSRS, and in many cases the actual state of residence for some players is unclear in the NWSRS database. As a result, I am going to limit this top ten listing as follows:

- 1. Anyone not having the minimum of 15 games played in the NWSRS this past year will not appear on this list.
- 2. Anyone with a school code of XXX or UNK (unknown) or other school codes that have no definition (are not on the "Allcodes" list) will not appear on this list.
- 3. Anyone without the state of residence as "WA" will not appear on this list.

(Total Games) = career games. (Games Year) = games played in 2022-2023 season. (Ratings for this list were closed September 3, 2023.)

Congratulations to the fine young players who made this list! We honor you. And congratulations to the many others who missed the list narrowly, and the many, many others who competed last year in this great game we all enjoy!

THIS IS A FULLY RESET LISTING FOR 2022-2023 done in preparation for the 2023-2024 season. ALL PLAYERS ARE LISTED WITH THEIR NEW 2023-2024 GRADES. There may be some kindergartners who started competitive chess as pre-schoolers whose grades need to be reset back to kindergarten. Please communicate with Kirk Winges concerning any issues with grade coding (kirk.winges@gmail.com). Also provide any school changes, grade changes or updated/new USCF information to Kirk.

#### **SENIORS**

Top 10 rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Total Games	Games Year
1	KURUNGOD ANOOP	PRANAV	INT	М	K760	2122	254	31
2	CHANG	EDDIE	INT	М	6270	2024	210	24
3	WAN	BERTRAND	NPR	M	K421	2013	256	44
4	COLOMBO	DOMINIC M	GIG	M	J74P	1961	52	29
5	QIAN	DANIEL	PFC	M	7807	1885	314	17
6	PARK	SEAN	INT	M	600E	1743	132	15
7	KANDHARE	OJAS	INT	M	J90T	1614	116	25
8	TEH	LOGAN	GAR	М	H765	1573	109	19
9	MOSES	BLESSINGTON	INT	М	3817	1568	51	24
10	WERNER	ROSS	SHM	М	B91H	1499	130	54

#### **JUNIORS**

Top 10							Total	Games
rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Games	Year
1	JIANG	BRANDON	BLL	L	7768	2233	516	18
2	CHENG	EDWARD	GAR	L	C74W	1841	438	58
3	KUIPERS	MILES	TST	L	6766	1807	546	24
4	LIU	ERIK	INT	L	4861	1802	390	16
5	JOSHI	ATHARVA	SKN	L	1352	1800	332	38
6	ROESCH	CARSON	BLH	L	120K	1771	246	37
7	WANG	DANIEL	LSS	L	8287	1770	623	29
8	MAURER	SAM	INT	L	742A	1762	55	42
9	LI	MELINA	INM	L	5705	1724	232	15
10	ZHANG	BOHAN	EPS	L	E54S	1644	128	41

### **SOPHOMORES**

Top 10 rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Total Games	Games Year
1	XUAN	OWEN	LSS	K	5792	1933	276	16
2	PISAN	KAI	CHY	K	404C	1790	461	77
3	WONG-GODFREY	EMERSON	BUS	K	H83E	1786	484	70
4	DENG	LILY	HHS	K	5007	1779	351	24
5	YU	AIDEN	NPR	K	F95R	1721	27	18
6	BOULIS	CHRISTOS	ETS	K	C84T	1713	583	24
7	GARINE	UJWAL	REJ	K	B99A	1672	205	17
8	WIRKKALA	ZANE	HSC	K	C64H	1650	49	25
9	SIDDEM	SID	RHJ	K	C34V	1643	482	81
10	HETAMSARIA	AADI	СНО	K	888H	1603	147	17

### FROSH

Top 10 rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Total Games	Games Year
1	MIN	RYAN	OMS	J	5430	2090	387	23
2	LIU	AUSTIN	PLK	J	530J	2077	339	35
3	LI	EDWARD	TMB	J	768S	1879	321	18
4	CHAN	SKYLOR T	OMS	J	D18J	1819	300	33
5	PATANKAR	VIJAY	KMN	J	C78Y	1793	263	28
6	JAMMALAMADAKA	VARNIKA	OVL	J	D216	1770	491	49
7	EKSAREVSKIY	ALBERT	WPP	J	530Y	1745	84	41
8	NEFF	CALEB	ABE	J	G72N	1743	338	34
9	ZHANG	IRIS	TMB	J	858X	1702	358	20
10	TATIKONDA	NIHANTH	CPJ	J	926F	1691	228	20

# GRADE 8

Top 10 rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Total Games	Games Year
1	VEMPARALA	NIKASH	OVL	1	1078	2202	399	22
2	WILLY	STEPHEN	HSC	I	H17K	2110	524	22
3	BIAN	ERIN	LMS	1	191Y	2036	195	22
4	NALLAPPA	VIJAY	REJ	1	D40S	1802	373	45
5	MISHRA	ABHINAV	TMB	1	B02W	1727	91	39
6	RAZMOV	GABRIEL	ADD	1	C26K	1704	303	79
7	KOPPALA	SANKALP	SKR	1	J27H	1694	120	20
8	SUESS	WADE	EVG	1	101D	1691	289	16
9	SCOLLON	OWEN	FHV	1	734D	1634	441	85
10	ROUTRAY	NIRMALYA	ING	1	D06K	1616	394	37

# GRADE 7

Top 10 rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Total Games	Games Year
1	LU	YIDING	BAS	Н	865Z	2113	265	39
2	TESSIORE	LUCA	EMS	Н	P42N	1929	212	28
3	ZHU	JAMIE	EVJ	Н	558E	1890	338	35
4	WANG	LEONARDO	CKN	Н	233K	1698	69	64
5	VERMA	DARSH	WON	Н	B52K	1658	189	34
6	NALLABOTHULA	VINEESH	TMB	Н	764Q	1644	281	15
7	HAN	SHUYI	TYE	Η	K47W	1643	317	42
8	MEIYALAGAN	RUBAN SAI	WLD	Н	D10L	1618	225	20
9	CHUNG	ETHAN	LLM	Η	108U	1593	359	21
10	UPRETI	PARTHAVI	GTM	Н	754L	1583	201	76

### GRADE 6

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Top 10							Total	Games		
rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Games	Year		
1	JAMMALAMADAKA	VIHAAN	WPP	G	J90F	1999	353	45		
2	RAMESH	NEHANRAJ	CSE	G	K19D	1925	21	21		
3	RAMKUMAR	NIKHIL	RBR	G	115E	1823	233	50		
4	LIU	LUCAS	SOM	G	H33R	1627	198	20		
5	CHA	SAMUEL	BAS	G	K18Z	1571	221	46		
6	FREDERICK	BENJAMIN	LAU	G	S57X	1570	231	56		
7	YADAV	ARJUN	BLW	G	664A	1532	112	34		
8	KANG	AYAAN	ENS	G	160T	1526	300	22		
9	CHENG	SELINA	THU	G	413R	1521	473	75		
10	URALI	SANJAY	MED	G	315D	1494	350	28		

### GRADE 5

Top 10 rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Total Games	Games Year
1	KONA	VIDIP	RSA	F	126J	2036	316	41
2	YONDON	ODBAYAR	LMA	F	K97T	1715	180	98
3	BHARATHY MOHAN	AARAV	FRW	F	C98B	1608	306	61
4	XIONG	MICHAEL	MED	F	115A	1575	273	40
5	SHAIKOT	SABEER	ENS	F	147Q	1538	202	78
6	LIU	VINCENT	ILA	F	546Q	1534	181	36
7	DENG	STANLEY	LEC	F	K22E	1499	272	60
8	GADDE	ARNAV	ENS	F	J39D	1489	155	64
9	WONG	KATE	BCA	F	459M	1436	155	47
10	ZHANG	BOWEN	RKW	F	K55F	1406	26	26

### GRADE 4

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rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Games	Games Year
1	WANG	TED	STT	E	K13D	2001	251	46
2	XU	OWEN	SOM	E	896M	1785	176	33
3	REN	AARON	ENA	Е	G67B	1691	158	64
4	LIN	MICHAEL	BAS	Е	C97F	1647	309	53
5	SADDI	NEEVAN REDDY	GRR	E	H87M	1632	192	109
6	BHASKARAN	SIDDHARTH	HMN	E	152J	1538	45	19
7	MERRIMAN	DANN	ERE	E	F79Y	1514	535	71
8	HAVALDAR	KARSH	CSB	Е	103F	1512	45	45
9	ZHOU	YUCHEN	CHR	E	J42H	1470	534	50
10	TAN	NATHAN	UCD	Е	412Y	1462	170	41

# GRADE 3

Top 10 rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Total Games	Games Year
1	BHARADWAJ	SAMARTH	DIS	D	E78A	1406	141	46
2	WENG	BRIGHT	BEN	D	850P	1324	64	46
3	ZHU	AIDEN	LLS	D	C77X	1240	79	29
4	CHANG	CADEN	UCD	D	260J	1229	104	40
5	EDWIN	ELIJAH	BCS	D	C24D	1215	132	102
6	MAHARAJA	IMAI	RKW	D	K34K	1215	65	65
7	KAKKAD	VAYU	DCT	D	K50L	1185	475	55
8	LAN	JONATHAN	OPW	D	968F	1155	95	46
9	LI	EDGAR	OPW	D	883Y	1148	159	64
10	SRERAMAN	ROHIT	BCA	D	G92Q	1141	143	94

### GRADE 2

Top 10							Total	Games
rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Games	Year
1	EVIN	TERRICK	EBS	С	C54L	1319	121	95
2	YUN	DANIEL D	BCA	С	K87Z	1262	284	77
3	MA	LEWIS	SOM	С	587M	1214	62	62
4	ZANDANOV	LEONID	WLB	С	K31Q	1196	37	37
5	YUAN	CHEN	ETS	С	J15Z	1184	75	49
6	NARKHEDE	KSHITIJ	CRK	С	A27K	1113	79	79
7	PAN	DAVID	MED	С	330Y	957	62	39
8	ZHANG	HARVEY	UCD	С	515V	953	40	40
9	HE	JIZHOU	BCA	С	789B	917	35	27
10	TAN	CHARLIE	MED	С	273V	915	39	39

#### GRADE 1\*

Top 10		E' A	0 / /				Total	Games
rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Games	Year
1	LIU	BIHE	KKN	В	B78J	953	42	42
2	WANG	HENGSHEEN	EVG	В	704V	898	55	51
3	WANG	HARVEY	OPW	В	J68G	857	55	55
4	LARSEN	CHRISTOPHER	EVG	В	436G	839	30	20
5	CHEN	JULIAN	CNH	В	K32C	820	20	20
6	MAHALE	AVNEESH	CNH	В	993F	789	47	47
7	RAJ	SKANDHA	EVG	В	K55U	760	46	46
8	SANKRITHI	VIVAAN	HSC	В	K61R	730	60	43
9	GUPTA	AKSHAY	BCA	В	F62T	708	23	20
10	JIANG	KYLE	MED	В	K35B	704	20	20

<sup>\*</sup>Note: all students coded as kindergarten last year were automatically advanced to first grade by the rating system. Accordingly, this first grade list may include some students that will ultimately be re-coded to kindergarten because they were actually pre-kindergarten last year. The NWSRS makes no distinction between kindergarten and pre-kindergarten students.

#### WASHINGTON'S TOP TEN OVERALL

Top 10 rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Total Games	Games Year
1	JIANG	BRANDON	BLL	L	7768	2233	516	18
2	VEMPARALA	NIKASH	OVL	I	1078	2202	399	22
3	KURUNGOD ANOOP	PRANAV	INT	М	K760	2122	254	31
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9	BIAN	ERIN	LMS	1	191Y	2036	195	22
10	CHANG	EDDIE	INT	М	6270	2024	210	24

#### HONORING OUR TOP GRADUATED SENIORS

Top 10 rank	Last Name	First Name	School	Grade	ID#	Rating	Total Games	Games Year
1	SHUBIN	DANIEL	EPS	N	F498	2253	532	21
2	SHAPIRO	MICHAEL	EAL	N	8875	1761	376	30
3	ADAMS	HENRY	GAR	N	E729	1706	122	15
4	AL-HAKEEM	HASAN	WVS	N	C84R	1452	37	37
5	ORNELAS	DANIEL	CWH	N	H732	1361	222	20
6	REYNOLDS	SPENCER	FER	N	2234	1291	39	24
7	WILSON	LANCE	ROO	N	754B	1269	15	15
8	LOI	JOSEPH	LSS	N	K89Z	1246	28	28
9	KANE	CALLAN	CWH	N	B00E	1244	210	24
10	STANLEY	SOREN	BLH	N	116S	1241	72	32

#### **NWSRS RATING SYSTEM STATS AND ACTIVITY**

This September the Northwest Scholastic Rating System was reset as follows: (1) Graduated seniors were advanced to "adult" status. (2) All grades were advanced one level. (3) The "this year" games field was emptied. All USCF ratings were updated on August 28, 2023. For the last several years I tried something different and did not remove any "inactive" players. My reason was that we had several instances in earlier years with players coming back after being inactive and removed and it has caused problems with duplicate IDs. Two years ago, the ID system was expanded to allow for an additional alpha-numeric character. This should allow the system to grow without the need to remove any inactive players for many years. However, to keep the files from expanding too much, I have now added the additional field "active" or "archived" and only include active players in the distributed rating list. All players,

including archived players still appear in the excel version of the ratings database.

We start the new season with 44,418 rated scholastic and adult players, 4,590 in grades K-6, 14,372 in grades 7-12 and 25,455 adults. This past year we rated 285 events and approximately 33,074 games. This reflects a significant increase in the activity from last year when we rated 249 events and approximately 22,435 games. Obviously, we have a long way to go to return to our seasons with 600 events and well over 50,000 games, but I am encouraged by the progress we are making.

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