VANCOUVER CHESS SCHOOL

PROVINCIAL AND ALL-GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIPS THIS MONTH

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Bonus Regional Qualifier: May 28

At popular request we will run one final Regional Qualifier right before the Provincial Championships. If you haven't qualified already, earn 2.5/5 or higher at the May Monthly Class Championship and earn yourself a spot in the Provincial Chess Challenge.

Register for the Regional Qualifier <u>here</u>



ALL-GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP | MAY 15

All VCS girls are invited to participate in this year's VCS All-girls Championships. Players will be grouped in sections based on their ratings and awards will be given out for the top finishers in each section. The tournament takes place virtually and consists of 5 rapid rounds with a 15-minute time control. This is a unique opportunity for our female students to play against other girls and meet new friends. Registration is now open online.



Photo from the inaugral VCS Girls Championships

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-WFM Veronica Guo, VCS student and assistant coach

FEATURED STUDENT: WFM VERONICA GUO

Beginning as a VCS student in Grade 1, Veronica is now an established player on the Canadian women's chess scene and most recently came in third place in the Canadian Women's Zonals, earning a WFM title and a WIM norm. She has been an assistant coach at many VCS camps now and is a fantastic source of inspiration to our younger students. In response to a congratulatory message from VCS on her Canadian Zonals performance, Veronica wrote:

"Thank you for your support! Learning at VCS when I was in Grade I and beyond to now has been quite the journey and I have learned so much. It has been crazy finally getting a title elect. [...] Once again, I am so grateful to have started learning chess at VCS!"

Congratulations Veronica on everything you have achieved with VCS and in chess. You are a huge inspiration and we hope you continue to have great successes!

SUMMER CAMPS - ONLINE AND IN PERSON

Details to be announced soon - stay tuned!



IN PERSON QUADS | MAY 7

We are so excited to announce the return of in-person events starting with our most popular Quad tournaments. On May 7 at the main Jericho office, all students are invited to participate, play other students of a similar level, and meet new friends in person. Registration and details are online here.

PRO-D DAY CAMPS | MAY 23

All students are invited to participate in our May Pro-D day camp, taking place from 9:00 - 11:30am online on May 23. Students will get to meet new friends while learning new tactics and openings and playing friendly thematic tournaments. Details and registration can be found online - reserve your place now!



PROVINCIAL CHESS CHALLENGE | MAY 29

All students who scored 2.5/5 or higher in any of the Regional Qualifier events this school year are invited to participate in this year's Provincial Championship. The winner of each grade will join Team BC at the National Championships. Good luck to all participants! Qualified players can register here.

CONGRATULATIONS ARMAAN!

Well done to Armaan Varma-Vitug who scored an impressive 4/5 in the Victoria Youth Chess Championship and earned 1st place in the U10 section as well as a CFC 1381 performance rating. Congratulations!

Right photo: Armaan's math project with a chess theme

