## VANCOUVER CHESS SCHOOL

**FEBRUARY CHESS CHRONICLES** 

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### **REGIONAL QUALIFIER #2 | JAN 28**

Nearly 90 students competed in the season's second <u>Regional Qualifier</u>, where all participants delivered outstanding performances. Special commendation goes to the players who achieved a perfect score of 5/5: Bowen Wang, Karson Lu, Josiah Lo, Aiden Lu, and Joey Xu. Additionally, all players who scored 2.5/5 or above have earned their spots in the <u>Provincial Championships</u> in April 2024. Well done to everyone who took part!



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### **REGIONAL QUALIFIER #2 CHAMPIONS**

Grade K Bowen Wang Grade 1 Karson Lu Grade 2 Josiah Lo Grade 3 Derek Xu Grade 4 Lucas Yao Grade 5 Tiago Ferraz Grade 6 Nathan Yang Grade 7 Aiden Lu Grade 8 Justin Xu Grade 9 Joey Xu Grade 10 Aiden Leong Grade 11 Victoria Cai Grade 12 Ryan Cheng



### **FEATURED STUDENT: JOSIAH LO**

Josiah Lo showcased exceptional talent at the recent BC Chess Challenge Regional Qualifier held at UBC, securing a remarkable victory with a flawless 5/5 score! His prowess on the chessboard places him among the top players in the province for grade 2, a testament to his dedication to the sport. Josiah thrives as a model pre-Bishop student, actively participating and excelling in class. His commitment serves as a beacon of inspiration for his peers. Congratulations, Josiah, on your outstanding achievements! We look forward to witnessing your continued success!

## REGIONAL QUALIFIER#3 | MAR 10 INDIVIDUAL & TEAM QUALIFICATION

We're thrilled to extend an invitation to the upcoming final in-person regional qualifier, hosted at UBC's distinguished Ponderosa ballroom. This crucial event is unique as it's the only regional competition offering both individual and team accolades, paving the way for students to earn their place in the highly regarded 2024 BC Chess Challenge in April. Achieving a score of 2.5/5 or more ensures automatic qualification for the provincial competition, with top performers in each grade winning trophies. Additionally, school teams will vie for supremacy. Don't miss this exclusive chance to compete on both an individual and team basis. Register now to be part of this exciting chess event.

### **VCS CHESS FESTIVAL | MAR 9-10**

VCS is thrilled to announce the forthcoming Vancouver Chess Festival, slated for March 9-10. Our past festivals, running from September to January, have been enormously successful, drawing a lot of players from the Lower Mainland and beyond. Prepare for a weekend brimming with exciting matches and a profound passion for chess. The event will take place in the Ponderosa ballroom at UBC. Secure your participation by registering online today!

### PRO-D DAY CAMPS | FEB 16, 19

VCS is excited to provide Winter Pro-D day camps again, with in-person sessions at the Jericho Office. Participants will be grouped by skill level for a variety of activities, including lessons, fun tournaments, thematic games, and game analysis by our coaches. It's a perfect opportunity to enjoy your Pro-D day engagingly and entertainingly! Register online now.

### **VCS INVITATIONAL | FEB 24-25**

Join us for an exhilarating two-day chess tournament at Vancouver Chess School, designed to challenge and elevate young chess enthusiasts. This unique event combines high-level competition with a supportive learning environment, perfect for aspiring chess masters.

Exclusive Invitation for VCS Students with a CFC Regular Rating of 900+. Register here

