



2025 Masters vs Challengers Invitational

Burlington Recreation Center
61 Center St, Burlington, MA 01803
September 21, 2025

4 Round Team vs Team Match – G/15+10

Round 1 @ 12:30pm

Round 2 not before 1:30pm

Round 3 not before 2:30pm

Round 4 not before 3:30pm

Join us for an exciting day of chess as Massachusetts' top players take on rising challengers in the 2025 Masters vs Challengers Invitational! Spectators are welcome to attend in person at the Burlington Recreation Center or watch the broadcast online.

In this exciting and innovative new event, four of the state's up and coming young guns (the "Challengers") will have the opportunity to play four of the state's most elite top players (the "Masters")!

Streaming Links

YouTube: <https://youtube.com/live/s6fNIUAkfUQ>

Chess.com: <https://www.chess.com/events/2025-massachusetts-masters-vs-challengers-invitational>

Lichess: <https://lichess.org/broadcast/2025-massachusetts-masters-vs-challengers-invitational/FIqu0ZCO>

Live Results:

<https://www.chessroster.com/tournaments/cmfl6qimj0000jl049eg9ba5x?tab=reports&reportType=standings>

Parking & Entry: Park in the rear of the building and enter through the "Burlington Recreation Department" door.

Food & Drink Policy: No food or drink other than water is allowed in the playing hall. Picnic tables are available outside for eating.

Masters Team

Player	FIDE Rating
GM Jianchao Zhou	2589
GM Nadezda Kosintseva	2483
GM Alexander Ivanov	2371
IM Denys Shmelov	2358

Challengers Team

Player	FIDE Rating
NM Kevin Zhao	2060
NM Zachary Pan	2031
CM Shawn Xu	2005
NM William Wu	1945

Pairings

Round	Time	Board	White	Black
1	12:30 PM	1	Ivanov (MASTERS)	Zhao (CHALLENGERS)
		2	Kosintseva (MASTERS)	Pan (CHALLENGERS)
		3	Wu (CHALLENGERS)	Zhou (MASTERS)
		4	Xu (CHALLENGERS)	Shmelov (MASTERS)
2	1:30 PM	1	Pan (CHALLENGERS)	Ivanov (MASTERS)
		2	Zhao (CHALLENGERS)	Kosintseva (MASTERS)
		3	Zhou (MASTERS)	Xu (CHALLENGERS)
		4	Shmelov (MASTERS)	Wu (CHALLENGERS)
3	2:30 PM	1	Ivanov (MASTERS)	Wu (CHALLENGERS)
		2	Kosintseva (MASTERS)	Xu (CHALLENGERS)
		3	Zhao (CHALLENGERS)	Zhou (MASTERS)
		4	Pan (CHALLENGERS)	Shmelov (MASTERS)
4	3:30 PM	1	Xu (CHALLENGERS)	Ivanov (MASTERS)
		2	Wu (CHALLENGERS)	Kosintseva (MASTERS)
		3	Zhou (MASTERS)	Pan (CHALLENGERS)
		4	Shmelov (MASTERS)	Zhao (CHALLENGERS)