

Dear Coastal Virginia Open participants,

After closely monitoring the weather forecasts and considering guidance for safe travel and conditions, we have made the difficult decision to **postpone the event due to expected weather impacts**. While we always look forward to bringing our community together, the safety of our players, families, volunteers, and staff are important to us. **The new date for CVO will be May 15-17, 2026, at the Wyndham Oceanfront**. New room block links will be available soon at the updated pricing for May.

We know this is disappointing, and we truly appreciate your patience, understanding, and flexibility. **All registered participants will have 7 days to transfer their registration to the new date, choose an HRCA tournament credit, or request a refund. If you booked a hotel, please call immediately to cancel.**

Step 1) [Please complete our Google Form by Feb 6th, 2026 to indicate your preferences](#). After this date, all refund/transfer requests will be forfeited.

Your refund/transfer options:

1. **Transfer** your current registration to the new date of May 15-17.
2. **Receive a full credit** for the amount paid towards another HRCA tournament, good for 1 year.
3. **Receive a refund of your entry fee, less a 10% administrative fee**, to your original payment method.
4. **DONATE** your entry fee paid to HRCA as a tax-deductible gift. (This helps us to offset expenses incurred with postponing the event!)

Please note that refunds and credits may take 5-7 business days to process.

Step 2) If you booked a room at the Wyndham, please call them as soon as possible to cancel your reservation. The Wyndham phone # is (757) 266-5323. As a courtesy, they will waive any cancellation fees for those who already booked rooms onsite for the CVO. **If you fail to notify them and do not show, they WILL charge you for 1 night's lodging.**

Thank you for your patience and continued support. If you have any immediate questions or concerns, please reach out to us.

We hope to see you at the rescheduled CVO and some of our other upcoming tournaments!

- 2/21 - [Sherwood Showdown \(scholastic\) at Sherwood Forest Elementary](#)
- 3/21 - Battle on the BB-64
- 4/18 - Seven Cities School Chess Championship
- 5/15-17 - Coastal Virginia Open (new date)
- June/July/August -- summer tournaments TBD
- September - Zofchak Memorial
- October - National Chess Day