

## 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