

Tri-Valley Conference Championships
Saturday, February 14, 2009 – 9:15 AM
Nelsonville-York High School

Great news for the Tri-Valley Conference – both the junior high and high school Tri-Valley Conference Wrestling Championship Tournaments will be held on Saturday, February 14 at 9:30 a.m. at Nelsonville-York High School.

Schedule:

7:30 AM	Team Check-in
8:00 AM	Weigh-ins
8:30 AM	Seed & Coaches Meeting
9:15 AM	Round 1 – Junior High Tournament followed immediately by Round 1 of the high school tournament

Each junior high team will need to submit a copy of their eligibility certificate at check-in. Each high school team will need to submit their Alpha Master Weigh-in report as well as a copy of their eligibility certificate at check-in.

Entry into this year's championships will be via baumspage.com. The entry window for both championship tournaments will open at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 8 and will close at 10:00 AM, Friday, February 13. Online entry details and instructions are included with this letter. Questions regarding this process can be directed to Terry Young terry@baumspage.com or 740-517-0195.

The league adopted new bylaws for the 2009 high school championships. They are enclosed with this letter for your review. The bylaws will also govern the junior high championship tournament with major two exceptions: 1) round robin period lengths will be three 1 ½ minute periods and consolation matches will be three 1 minute periods; 2) seeding will be based on junior high state placement (top 8), junior high district placement (top 4), last year's TVC placement (top 3) and current year record (10 match minimum).

Preliminary seeding will be posted on [baumspage](http://baumspage.com) shortly after the entry window closes. Head-to-head challenges will be accepted via e-mail at this time. Final seeding will occur immediately following weigh-ins on Saturday morning.

Your team will be assigned to a locker room upon arrival. Please make sure your wrestlers use the assigned locker room.

We will be using at least three mats the entire day. The wrestling room will serve as the bullpen and warm-up area. All wrestlers should report to the wrestling room when their number appears on the matchboard. The winning wrestler of each match will be required to return the completed bout sheet to the head table immediately after the match concludes.

At the conclusion of the tournament, the top three individuals in each weight class in the junior high tournament will be recognized. The top three individuals in each weight class in the high

school tournament will be recognized immediately thereafter. The individual weight classes will be called starting at the lowest weight. Each individual weight class champion's coach should present the awards to the respective weight classes. The team trophies for both the junior high and high school tournaments will be awarded immediately following the presentation of the 285 pound weight class awards. The MVW winners will be the final award of the day.

Admission for all adults, students and senior citizens is \$6.00 each. Please refer to the bylaws for number of passes that will be provided for coaches, stats, etc.

Programs will be available and sold at the door. Results will be posted in the hallway regularly throughout the day. Please be sure to review the results and report any errors immediately to the head table.

A brief coaches meetings will be held at 8:30 a.m. to finalize the brackets and/or pools; after round 3 to ensure all results are correct; and one final meeting after the last match to review all results and vote on the MVW. We will not take any long breaks between rounds.

There will be no hospitality room. Instead, we will distribute meal and beverage tickets to head coaches upon arrival. These tickets may be redeemed at the concession stand throughout the day.

We will have a limited supply of TVC tournament t-shirts on sale near the concession stand.

Please ask your bus drivers to enter the school through the first entrance (construction entrance) and proceed to the security officer that will be stationed nearby. The officer will direct the bus driver to a drop off point at the rear of the building and then to the pass gate entrance.

Two certified athletic trainers will be onsite all day. Please bring tape or other supplies that you or your wrestlers may require.

In case of inclement weather, a decision as to whether or not the tournament will be held will be made by 6:00 a.m. Saturday morning. When you register on baumspage.com, please be sure to provide a phone number that you can be reached at on Saturday morning. Nelsonville-York Athletic Director Dave Boston will contact you or your athletic director by 6:00 a.m. if there will be a delay, cancellation or rescheduling of the tournament. Dave's contact information is: school 740-753-6230 and home 740-762-2267. Any weather related announcements will also be posted on [baumspage](http://baumspage.com).

You may direct any questions to Terry Young at terry@baumspage.com or call 740-517-0195.

TVC Wrestling Championship Tournament Bylaws

Adopted: January 13, 2009

The TVC league meet will be held the Saturday before the sectional wrestling tournament. The responsibility of hosting the meet will be determined by alphabetical rotation of schools, beginning with Meigs in the 2008-09 school year. The host must accept (or decline) the meet on or before the September meeting. If the host declines, then they shall inform the next school in rotation as soon as possible, but no later than the September meeting.

ENTRIES

Rosters, seed nominations and current varsity records should be submitted to the tournament manager at the date and time specified. All roster changes **must be submitted** before the published entry/roster deadline.

WEIGH-INS / START TIME

Weigh-ins will begin at 8:00 a.m. and wrestling will begin at 9:30 a.m.

PAIRINGS

There are currently nine schools in the league that sponsor wrestling. Because there is a possibility of up to nine wrestlers in a weight class, the following schedule will be utilized to determine the format of each weight class: If there are seven or more wrestlers in a weight class, then two pools will be used. One pool will consist of at least four wrestlers and the other pool will consist of at least three wrestlers. Pool A will have seeds 1 and 4 and Pool B will have seeds 2 and 3. Each wrestler within their respective pool will wrestle each other. The winners of Pool A and Pool B will wrestle each other for 1st place, the runner-ups in Pool A and Pool B will wrestle each other for 3rd place. Ties for placement will be broken according to the tie-breaker criterion outlined below. If there are six or fewer wrestlers in a weight class, then the standard round robin format will be used. If a tie for placement occurs within the round robin, it will be broken according to the tie-breaker criterion outlined below.

PERIODS and SCORING

Period lengths for all pool and round robin matches will be 2-2-2. Consolation matches will be 1-2-2.

Pool and round robin scoring will be dual meet scoring as follows:
3 points for a regular decision, 4 points for a major decision, 5 points for a tech fall and 6 points for a pin.

Placement points will be awarded as follows: 14-10-7-4. Place points will be awarded as they are earned. Therefore, at the conclusion of pool wrestling, each pool winner will be awarded 10 points for their guaranteed second place finish and will receive an additional four points if they win their final match. Each pool runner-up will be awarded four points for their guaranteed fourth place finish and will receive an additional three points if they win their final match. No placement points will be awarded for round robin weight classes until all wrestling is finished within those weight classes.

SEEDING

All correction to seed nominations must be made before the seed meeting begins. Preliminary seeding will be based on the following criteria: state placement (top 8), district placement (top 6), sectional placement (top 6), TVC (top 4) and current season winning varsity record with a 10-match minimum.

Head to head results will be given consideration. A seed meeting will be held at a date and time prior to the meet to determine final seeding placements. The top four wrestlers, plus one alternate, in each weight class will be seeded. The alternate will not be determined if the seed meeting occurs on the day of the meet.

REDRAWS

Once the seeds are determined, there will be no redraws. Instead, the following procedure will be used – Seeded wrestlers will be rotated to their appropriate placement within the pools and the replacement wrestler will be placed on the line vacated by the alternate. Non-seeded wrestlers' places will be replaced with a bye if it is legal. If a bye is not permitted, a series of coin flips will determine which line will become a bye and which wrestler must be moved.

RULES and REGULATIONS

All rules and regulations set forth by the OHSAA and the NFHSAA will be strictly adhered to.

OFFICIALS

Officials must be class 1 OHSAA licensed officials. At least two officials are required.

AWARDS

Medals will be given to the top three place finishers in each weight class. The champion and runner-up teams will be awarded a trophy. Head coaches will vote on the Most Valuable Wrestler Award by secret ballot at the conclusion of the tournament. If a tie exists, then a revote will occur until a winner is determined. The champion in each weight class is a member of the TVC All Conference Team.

FINANCIAL

The tournament manager will prepare a financial report and submit it to the TVC treasurer. The host school is responsible for collecting admissions (\$6 per person), selling concessions, hiring officials, producing a program, hiring a trainer, ordering and picking up all awards and any other duties deemed appropriate. All expenses should be deducted from the proceeds of admissions and programs. The host school may elect to produce a league tee shirt and may keep any proceeds earned from the sell of said shirts. If the tournament runs in the black, then the difference should be submitted to the TVC treasurer within 10 days of the tournament. If the tournament runs in the red, then the host school can submit a request for reimbursement to the TVC treasurer. The request will be considered at the next regularly scheduled meeting. No more than five persons from each school will be admitted free of charge (three coaches, bus driver and statistician). Those wrestlers who are not competing but are a member of the high school team will be admitted free of charge as well as long as their name appears on the either the eligibility certificate or the Alpha Master Weigh-in Sheet.

TIE-BREAKER CRITERION

Note: The following criterion is based on suggestions from coaches and adapted from the National Federation Wrestling Rules Suggested Tie-Breaker for advancement of teams in dual meet tournaments or to eliminate a tie score in a dual meet competition. Each wrestler will wrestle everyone in his pool. After the final round of the round robin, the following criterion will be use to determine placement of wrestlers into the finals.

1. The wrestler who won the greater number of matches.

2. The wrestler who won the head-to-head match.
3. The wrestler who has been penalized the least number of team points for flagrant or unsportsmanlike conduct.
4. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of team points for all matches
5. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of team points for all for falls, defaults, forfeits, or disqualifications.
6. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of team points for technical falls.
7. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of team points for major decisions.
8. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of points for decisions.
9. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of pins in the least time.
10. The wrestler who accumulated the quickest pin.
11. The wrestler who accumulated the greatest total point differential for decisions.
12. If none of the above resolves the tie, then the wrestlers will share the place. Team points will be added together and split evenly.