

2026 Newark D1 Sectional Timeline

Thursday February 26, 2026

- 7:00 PM deadline for coach submissions for wrestlers deserving a seed with fewer than 12 matches sent to ahead@newarkcityschools.org
- 7:00 PM deadline for roster submission to Baumspage.
- Seeding nominations posted after 7 PM.

Saturday February 28, 2026

- 7:00-8:00 Check-In ○ Coaches check accuracy of names, grades and records of roster, submit Alpha if not done so already.
- 8:00-8:30 Weigh-In - By weight
 - An alternate may be substituted if a wrestler fails to make weight/skin check/illness/ ineligible/medical emergency (10.3)
 - A wrestler may make two attempts on their assigned scale and one attempt on each additional scale, if necessary.
- 8:45-9:15 - Coaches Meeting
 - Maximum of 8 seeds per weight. ○ Seeding criteria - State placer, District placer, current varsity record above 0.500 (minimum 12 matches) (11.1)
 - A coach may challenge a seed based only on the criteria listed below and the coaches will then vote on the challenge in this listed order: (11.7.3)
 - Head-to-head competition
 - Higher placement in the same weight class at a common tournament
 - Only seeded wrestlers may challenge higher seeds. (11.7.1)
 - Seeded wrestlers may NOT decline their seed. (11.3)
 - If a seeded wrestler fails to make weight, all lower seeds move up. (11.4)
- 9:00-Doors open to spectators
- 10:00 - Wrestling begins
 - Round 1 - Prelims
 - Round 2 - Quarterfinals
 - Round 3 - 1st Round Consolations

- Round 4 - 2nd Round Consolations
- - - - Possible break for lunch depending on time - -
- ○ Round 5-Semifinals
- Round 6 - 3rd Round Consolations
- Round 7-Consolation Semifinals
- Finals