



2023 Division III OHSAA – Northwest
District Wrestling Tournament
Rossford High School
701 Superior Street | Rossford, Ohio 43460
March 3 & 4



Dear Coach,

Welcome to the 2023 District Wrestling Tournament at Rossford High School. It is the goal of the tournament staff to make the District Wrestling Tournament a smooth and successful experience for the wrestlers, coaches and fans.

For teams arriving at Rossford High School, please take note that school will be in session. For this reason, teams are encouraged to arrive before 1:30 p.m. All **teams** must enter the school through the rear entrance of the **auxiliary gym** (please see map on Baumspage). On Saturday, teams can be dropped off at the Main Entrance. **Busses and Vans** will park in the **Event Parking Lot** also indicated on the parking map on Baumspage. For spectators, the doors will open at 3:45 p.m. on Friday and 9:30 a.m. on Saturday. All fans are encouraged to park in the Event Lot

The Northwest District Wrestling Tournament is under the supervision and sponsorship of the Ohio High School Athletic Association and Rossford Exempted Village Schools.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and we wish you and your program the best of luck.

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Tournament Schedule

Friday, March 3

- 1:00 p.m. Pass Gate Opens to Coaches / Participants / Statisticians
- Please check in with tournament officials upon arrival.
 - Review records listed and make corrections as needed.
 - Verify all names, spelling, and records listed on the sign-in sheet. Data will update automatically all the way through to the State Tournament for those wrestlers that qualify.
- 2:00 p.m. Weigh-ins by weight class
- *Officials will check contestants for grooming and skin condition before weighing in for the tournament. Any physician's notes/releases must be available for officials at weigh-ins.*
 - *4 scales will be used for weighing in contestants.*
 - **ALL** *wrestlers MUST BE PRESENT in the Auxiliary Gym, which is the designated weigh-in area. The weigh-in shall proceed through weight classes beginning at 106 lbs. and ending immediately upon completion of the 285 lb. weight class. A contestant may step on and off the first scale two times. If he fails to make weight on the first scale, he shall immediately step on each of the other scales in attempt to make weight.*
- 3:45 p.m. Doors open for Spectators (Must purchase pre-sale ticket online)
- 3:45 p.m. Coaches Meeting – Auxiliary Gym
- 4:00 p.m. **Session 1 (106-285 on 4 mats)**
***(1st and 2nd Round Championship**
**Weigh-outs will begin after the 144 lb. matches of Championship Round 2 and will end 30 minutes after the final match ends. Competitors cannot weigh in for Saturday until after their weight class has finished the second round.*

Saturday, March 4

- 7:30 a.m. Pass Gate Open to Coaches / Participants / Statisticians
- 8:00 a.m. Weigh-ins for wrestlers that failed to weigh-out Saturday
- 8:30 a.m. **MANDATORY SKIN CHECK**
- 9:30 a.m., Doors open for Spectators (Must purchase pre-sale ticket online)
- 10:00 **Session 2 (106-285 on 4 mats)**
***Consolation Rounds 1 & 2**
- 11:00 a.m. ***Championship Semi-Finals on mats 2 & 3 and Consolation Semifinals on mats 1 & 4 will run together**
***Championship Finals – Top Six Places – 3 mats**
Mat 1 – 5th
Mat 2 – 1st
Mat 3 – 3rd
- *ALL Awards** will be presented after the 285 lb. finals

Sectionals – Rossford District

Archbold, Oak Harbor, Plymouth, Van Buren

Rules/Regulations

The National Federation Wrestling Rules, as may be modified by the OHSAA Board of Directors, shall be used in all wrestling tournaments sponsored by the OHSAA. All OHSAA bylaws and sports regulations apply to the conduct of the OHSAA wrestling tournament including the prohibition that, a student who uses anabolic steroids or other performance enhancing drugs is ineligible for interscholastic competition until such time as medical evidence can be presented that the student's system is free of anabolic steroids or other performance enhancing drugs.

Unsportsmanlike Conduct Policy

During participation in OHSAA tournaments, any student or coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct or personal fouls, shall be ineligible for the remainder of that tournament as well as for all contests in wrestling until two regular season/tournament contest (points) are competed at the same levels as the ejection. Individuals ejected for unsporting conduct shall be reported to the OHSAA commissioner's office by the tournament manager. The Commissioner's Office may impose additional penalties in accordance with Bylaw 11.

District Tournament Alternates

The use of an alternate from Sectional to District or District to State is permissible when a qualifying wrestler cannot compete due to illness, injury, failure to make weight, flagrant misconduct or academic ineligibility. The alternate may be placed on the bracket up until the time that weigh-ins end. The alternate shall be next highest finisher (5th place) from the previous tournament. The alternate shall be placed in the vacated line of the bracket. No other wrestler will be moved on the bracket. **(No expenses will be paid nor free admission passes granted to alternates unless they actually participate).**

The Alternate Selection Procedure - excerpted from the 2022 Wrestling Tournament Regulations (<https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Sports/Wrestling/WRindTourneyRegs.pdf>):

The Alternate selection procedure is as follows:

1. Alternate – Sectional/District 5th Place: Prior to the scheduled start of Session 1, if one qualifying wrestler from a sectional/district is unable to wrestle, the 5th place wrestler from that sectional/district shall be placed on the vacated bracket line in the 1st round. No other wrestler will be moved on the bracket.
2. Alternate – Other Sectionals/Districts 5th Place: If the 5th place wrestler from the sectional/district with the vacated spot is unable to wrestle, 5th place alternates from the remaining sectionals/districts become eligible for the vacated bracket line. If only 1 alternate is able to wrestle, he/she is placed on the bracket line. Otherwise, a coin flip (2 alternates) or random draw (3 alternates) determines which alternate is placed. No other wrestler is moved on the bracket.
3. Alternate – Multiple from Same Sectional/District: If more than 1 wrestler from a sectional/district in the same weight class is unable to wrestle, a coin flip (2 alternates) or random draw (3 alternates) determines on which bracket line the alternates are placed. No other wrestler is moved on the bracket.
4. Alternate – Bye/No Alternates: A Bye is placed on the bracket for a wrestler who fails to make weight and no alternate is available.
5. Alternate – No 4th Place Sectional Wrestler: If there is no 4th place wrestler from a sectional (only 3 entries in the weight class), 5th place alternates from the remaining sectionals become eligible for the vacated bracket line. If only 1 alternate is able to wrestle, he/she is placed on the bracket line. Otherwise, a coin-flip (2 alternates) or random draw (3 alternates) determines which alternate is placed. No other wrestler is moved on the bracket.

Passes/Admission

Passes (to be used for coaches, school officials, statisticians) are based on the following:

- 1 – 2** competitors – five (5) passes (4 coach + 1)
- 3 – 5** competitors – six (6) passes (4 coach + 2)
- 6 or more** competitors – eight (8) passes(4 coach + 4)

Competitors (participants) will be identified at the admissions table.

Cheerleaders/Mat Maids/Statisticians – included in passes above

The person that uses a pass is up to the head coach of each school qualifying. Any additional personnel will need to purchase a ticket for admission.

Wristbands will be used for all **non-wrestlers**. Wristbands will be given to each head coach at check-in on the first day. No one will be admitted without a wristband or ticket.

Wristbands will also be used to identify coaches on the floor. If a coach does not have a wristband on, he will be asked to leave the floor.

Media and Photographers

All requests for media credentials at sectional/district tournaments shall be directed to the tournament manager. Proper credentials must be presented for admission at pass gate. **Schools interested in obtaining a media credential must notify the tournament director by March 2, 2023.**

Tournament Procedure

4 mats will be used Saturday and Sunday. Only wrestlers in uniform and coaches with wristbands will be allowed on the gym floor/mat side.

Only 2 coaches / team personnel will be permitted mat side – this will be strictly enforced.

Violators may be removed from the gym for the remainder of the session. Wrestlers will be called on-deck to a specific mat and should be ready to wrestle (warm ups off and headgear on) as soon as the match before theirs on the assigned mat is completed.

Scoring/Awards

*Awards for all weight class will be presented at the conclusion of the 285 lb. class.

*6 places will be scored – the top 4 place winners in each weight qualify for the OHSAA State Tournament

*Individual medals will be presented to the top 6 place winners in each weight

*Team awards will be presented to the District Champion team and Runner-Up

DRESS CODE FOR AWARDS:

All wrestlers receiving a sectional or district award will wear his/her team's wrestling warm-ups at the time of presentation.

Videotaping

All videotaping and photography must be done from the spectator area and shall not interfere with the view of other spectators!

Videotaping or filming by participating schools:

*Videotaping or filming of tournament contests by one or more schools participating in the contest is permitted provided prior arrangements are made with the tournament manager and it is done at the expense of the school involved. A maximum of one individual per school is permitted.

Videotaping or filming by spectators:

1. Videotaping will only be done from upstairs and shall be for personal use.
2. Shall not be used for the purpose of scouting or coaching.
3. Shall not interfere with the view of the athletic contest by other spectators.
4. The tournament site shall not permit the use of more than the seating space for which the spectator has paid when seating is needed for paid fans.
5. The tournament site accepts no liability for damage or theft of spectator equipment or injury as a result of privately owned equipment.
6. Equipment will not be permitted in any competition area – only in the spectator seating area.
7. The tournament site will not provide sources of power for video equipment.
8. Violation of this regulation may result in the removal of offender from the premises.

Inclement Weather

In the event that weather becomes an issue, Rossford Exempted Village Schools and the Northwest District Board will make the determination if the event will be delayed or canceled. Media will be contacted.

Professionalism of Coaches

It is the moral obligation of all Ohio Wrestling Coaches to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects credit upon their high school, their profession and themselves. Personal grooming and appropriate dress is a standard of professionalism. **The wearing of jeans, t-shirts, sweat suits and warm-up suits (top or bottom), head wear and similar apparel are not considered suitable attire for coaches during the OHSAA Sectional, District or State Wrestling Tournaments and, therefore, are prohibited. Coaches who are inappropriately dressed will not be allowed on the competition floor.** Moral obligation and ethical conduct are part of winning and losing. Good sportsmanship, appearance, honor and concern for the well-being of the competitors should be placed before all else. The Rules have been established in the spirit of this statement.

Concessions

A concession stand will be run by the Rossford Athletic Booster club and they will provide a wide variety of food for sale beginning at 3:00 on Friday and all day Saturday. Coolers for team meals will only be allowed in our cafeteria /concourse area. There will be no crockpots allowed!

Hospitality Room

This area is for coaches, officials, and tournament staff only. This area will have someone in there at all times to make sure that only those with wristbands are able to enter. The hospitality room will be located next to the bullpen for Mat 1 & 2.. We will have water, soda, and light snacks (chips, pretzels, etc.) in the hospitality room.