

Southwest District Sectional Tournament Seed Meeting Guidelines

Seed Meeting: The seed meeting should begin no later than 15 minutes after the start of weigh-ins.

- A. All entries and seeding criteria must be submitted via baumspage.com before 7:00 PM on Thursday, February 21.
- B. **After 7:00 PM Thursday, all wrestlers are locked into the weight class as submitted.**
 - a. The only exceptions will be for those scenarios outlined in Section 9.3 of the OHSAA Individual Tournament Regulations.
- C. Up to six wrestlers in each class will be seeded if credentials warrant. Once a wrestler is nominated for seeding, they cannot be withdrawn from the seed by the coach (Board Action)
- D. The Seed Nomination List will only include wrestlers that meet the OHSAA Seeding Criteria.
 - a. Coaches will have an opportunity to review the information submitted and report any errors to the tournament manager.
 - b. A wrestler may only be added to, or deleted from, the list if there was an error in reporting his credentials.
- E. Seeding will be based on the following criteria:
 - a. Returning state placer (1-3) at any weight class.
 - b. Returning state placer (4-8) at any weight class. A "New" (Freshman or upper classman that was not a contender last year) wrestler that has more than 25 wins and has defeated a wrestler listed above him on the list and has a higher winning percentage will be seeded above the returning state place winner at any weight class (4-8). *The coach must e-mail the credentials to the manager.
 - c. Returning district placer (1-6) at any weight class. A "New" (Freshman or upper classman that was not a contender last year) wrestler that has more than 20 wins and has a higher winning percentage than the returning district place winner will be seeded above the returning district place winner at any weight class (1-6).
 - Tie-breakers:
 - The higher placer at each level earns the higher seed.
 - If two or more wrestlers have identical place finishes, the wrestler returning at the same weight earns the higher seed.
 - Previous year's tournament place finish MUST have been at an OHSAA tournament. A returning placer can be from Division I, II, or III.
 - d. Current overall record (12-match minimum and .500 or better winning percentage).
 - If there is a tie in winning percentage the wrestler with the most wins will receive the higher seed.
 - If that does not break the tie, a coin-flip will determine the seed.
 - e. Challenges will be permitted based on head-to-head competition and common tournament placement.
 - A coach's vote or concession of all will be the final determination.
- F. The brackets may be drawn during the meeting assuming all wrestlers entered in the weight class will make weight and clear skin check.
 - a. The bracket will not be official until the weigh-in is finished.
 - b. If the bracket has been printed and a seeded wrestler drops out or fails to make weight:
 - i. Seeded wrestlers will be rotated up to their appropriate line, and the replacement from their team placed on the line of the alternate.
 - ii. Non-seeded wrestlers lines on the bracket will become byes if a bye is legal.
 - iii. If a bye is not permitted, a coin flip (or series of flips) will determine which line will become a bye, and which wrestler must be moved to make the bracket legal.
 - c. If the bracket has not been printed the entries will be adjusted and the bracket will be redrawn.