

**2020 OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT
WRESTLING SECTIONAL/DISTRICT**

20 WRESTLING TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS - Take what information is needed from these rules for your District Meets.

- 1. The members of the Southwest District Athletic Board adopted the following regulation per a recommendation from the Wrestling Coaches' Representatives:**

Coaches are required to wear dress slacks or khakis, a shirt with a collar, and appropriate footwear, such as sneakers, dress shoes, etc. Flip flops and sandals are examples of inappropriate footwear. Coaches dressed inappropriately will not be permitted to be on the mat.

The Southwest District Athletic Board adopted the following policy effective with the 2018 tournaments: Athletes being recognized on the award stand cannot be wearing hats, hoodies, or other head gear while being recognized.

- 2. Managers can seed up to six (6) wrestlers per class. For an individual to be seeded he must have wrestled twelve (12) matches this season and attained a .500 record.**
3. Seed meeting can be held after 7:00 p.m. on Thursday. Team roster must be submitted before 7:00 p.m. on Thursday. The team roster must include the current varsity record of each wrestler submitted. Also included should be wrestler's weight last year and place in state and district meets. Additional information pertinent to seeding is covered in item 10.6, "Seeding Criteria in the OHSA Individual Wrestling Regulations".
4. Weigh-ins will be conducted at the tournament site prior to the first day competition in accordance with NF Rule 4-5-3. Weigh-ins for subsequent day(s) may be conducted during the evening preceding each subsequent day(s) competition. The tournament manager shall set weigh-ins within these limits.
5. The minimum weight as listed on the Alpha-Master Roster and the wrestler weigh-in sheet must be provided to the tournament manager prior to starting the tournament.
6. Certification by Board motion: 1) A doctor, preferably a Dermatologist, must be present to check all athletes. 2) Tournament managers shall accept a state certified form signed by a physician relating to skin infection. 3) A registered wrestling official shall be employed to conduct weigh-ins. Board adopted April 12, 1997.
7. Officials fees: If an official works Friday night only, pay will be \$55.00. If an official works just Saturday of a two-day sectional tournament, pay will be \$190.00. If an official works the entire sectional tournament, pay will be \$245.00. Pay for officials working the entire district tournament will be \$315.00.
8. Admission for a one-day sectional tournament will be \$12.00 for the first session and second session (combined) and \$7.00 for the finals. All session pass will be \$15.00.

Admission for a two-day sectional tournament will be \$6.00 for the first session, \$6.00 for the second session and \$7.00 for the finals. All session pass will be \$15.00.

Admission for a two-day district tournament will be \$12.00 for the first and second session (combined), \$6.00 for session three, and \$7.00 for session four (finals). All session pass will be \$22.00.
9. Each manager will be responsible for admittance of contestants, managers, cheerleaders and cheerleader advisors for all Sectional and District tournaments

Athletic Directors, Superintendents and Principals will use their yearly passes that have been mailed to them. Tournament managers will see that these passes should be used by school Administrators.
10. The only persons permitted in the wrestling area will be the wrestler and two (2) coaches. Violations will result in the removal of the coach from the wrestling area. A maximum of six (6) cheerleaders, in uniform and accompanied by an advisor, will be permitted to the Sectional/District Tournaments. They will be permitted only in the area designated by the Tournament Manager. (Board Action)

11. All weigh-ins shall be conducted by weight class (coaches recommendation 4-28-01).
12. All tournaments are to score all six places at the sectional level (coaches recommendation 4-28-01).
13. MANAGERS AND COACHES will adhere to the State regulations. Rules and regulations may be obtained from the OHSAA web site.
14. Division I Sectional Wrestling Tournaments. Schools in the north are assigned to participate at Centerville while schools in the South will participate in an open draw with eleven schools participating at Lakota East, Lebanon, and Middletown respectively.

Division II Sectional Wrestling Tournaments. All schools will be assigned to participate at either Blanchester, Clinton Massie, or Graham.

Division III Sectional Wrestling Tournaments. Schools in the North will participate in an open draw between Covington and Sidney Lehman while schools in the South will be assigned to participate at Reading High School.

If an open draw is conducted, the manager will distribute voting materials and procedures prior to the start of the tournament. This will enable each coach to vote and have his votes back to the tournament manager by noon, Saturday, February 1, 2020, and prior to the Manager's Meeting on Sunday, February 2, 2020, 2:00 p.m. At the beginning of the Manager's Meeting, a spreadsheet will be handed out showing all voting results. If ties exist, they must be broken via a public vote of all coaches.

In the aforementioned sectional tournaments, if a coach does not show up at draw meeting, the manager will place the team in the sectional with the most open spots. If there is a tie in open spots, the manager will flip a coin to determine placement. This placement will occur in order as pre-determined by the coaches' vote.

By State Board of Control, all electronic devices are to shutoff at the beginning of the seeding meeting.

By board action, the coach cannot vote for his school in the seeding process, and the highest and lowest votes for each school will be dropped in the final calculation.

By board action, the coach that does not vote in a bracket tournament loses his highest score, second highest score, and lowest score prior to final calculation.

Per action of the State Board of Directors, the following fine structure is in place:

- a) Failure to submit seeding information when prescribed by OHSAA guidelines. Fine of \$50.00.
- b) Failure to vote in online voting process to determine seeding. Fine is \$50.00.
- c) Failure for coach, administrator, or authorized team representative to attend the tournament draw meeting. Fine is \$50.00.
- d) Failure to show-up for tournament contest / refusal to finish contest which has been started and suspended for any reason is a fine of \$150.00 plus cost of officials, site expenses, and team expenses incurred by opposing team, except pre-sale ticket revenue.

15. Qualifiers from Sectionals to District Tournaments:

Division I Each sectional will qualify the top four (4) wrestlers in each weight class to the district tournament at Kettering Fairmont Trent Arena.

Division II Top four (4) in each weight class from Blanchester, Clinton Massie, Graham, will combine with the top four (4) from a Southeast sectional to compete in the District Tournament at Wilmington.

Division III Top four (4) qualifiers in each weight class from Reading, Covington and Sidney Lehman will qualify for a district tournament at Hobart Arena along with top four (4) from a Northwest sectional.

The District Wrestling Tournament will be held on Friday, February 28, 2020 and Saturday, February 29, 2020 at the following sites:

Division I Kettering Fairmont Trent Arena

Division II Wilmington H.S.
Division III Hobart Arena

16. Qualifiers to the State Meet will be four (4) in Division I, four (4) in Division II, and four (4) in Division III per weight class.
17. Team changes are as follows:
Sectional/District

All wrestlers who make weight and are eligible to wrestle

Each school will be allowed additional people based on number of competitors—one to six (1-6) competitors will receive four (4) additional passes, seven to ten (7-10) competitors will receive five (5) additional passes, and eleven to fourteen (11-14) will receive six (6) additional passes. These passes are for coaches, stats, managers, and support personnel.

Cheerleaders – A maximum of six (6) in uniforms, along with an advisor.
18. All Sectional Managers are to send their results of their Tournaments to the District Tournament Manager by Sunday, March 1, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.
19. District Tournament Managers must submit a time schedule for their respective meet.
20. By District Board Action. A new Weather Cancellation Policy was adopted:

The Southwest District Board has established the following policy for cancellation or postponement of tournaments.

Schools participating in wrestling tournaments and reside in a county that experiences a Level Two (2) or Level Three (3) weather emergency, that SITE (tournament) will be postponed. Tournament managers must contact the District Board and make every effort to personally contact each schools coach, athletic director, or principal.

Schools are also encouraged to make use of the Board website (www.ohsaa.org/swdab) for updated information regarding postponements and cancellations.

The tournament manager will contact the Board Secretary, who will work with the managers to contact the “News Media”.

Prior to the start of tournaments, the managers will be instructed to make available to the Board, a contingency plan for weather emergencies.
21. Send no monies or reports to the OHSAA until the District Board has reviewed your financial work copy. Reports should be emailed to Bob Huelsman (bhuelsman@ohsaa.org) as quickly as possible. If it is mailed it should be sent to Bob Huelsman, 2803 Silver Maple Lane, Beavercreek, Ohio, 45431.

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