2020 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 27.

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 10.3 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 Once a wrestler is nominated for seeding, they cannot be withdrawn from the seed by the coach (Board Action)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 wrestler’s 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.