

## Licking County League Individual By-Laws

### Wrestling

#### Article I – League Schedule

1. The league wrestling championship will be determined from the results of the league tournament to be held ~~on the Saturday before the OHSAA sectional tournament.~~ **on a date agreed upon by league member schools with preference being given to the Saturday two weeks before the OHSAA sectional tournament.**
2. The site of the LCL wrestling championship will be determined by the board of controls no later than the August organizational meeting. **Hosting order will be rotational based on alphabetical order of member schools. Schools may choose to pass their turn in the rotation with the understanding that they will not be included in the rotation again until each other member school has had their turn to host/pass.**

#### Article II – Tournament routine

1. ~~The LCL will recognize one league individual champion per weight class mandated by the OHSAA.~~ **The LCL will use the finish of the individual tournament to determine league honors. The champion of each individual weight class will be recognized as the 1<sup>st</sup> team member with the runner-up of each individual weight class being the 2<sup>nd</sup> team member. Honorable mention will go to the wrestler finishing in 3<sup>rd</sup> place of each individual weight class.**
2. Wrestling Format
  - a. Individual pools
    - ~~i. Up to 6 in a weight class, 1 pool – No seeding~~
      - i. **If there are 6 wrestlers in a weight class a single pool will be used to determine league champions. Seeding will be used for the top 2 wrestlers so that the best perceived finals match can be paired into the final round of pool wrestling. Individual placement will be determined by record in the pool.**
    - ~~ii. More than 6 in a weight class  
2 pools seeding to be record only by % of wins~~
      - ii. **If there are more than 6 wrestlers in a weight class, two pools of 5 will be used to determine league champions. Individual placement will be determined by wrestling the top finisher by record from each pool for 1<sup>st</sup> place, the second place finisher by record from each pool for 3<sup>rd</sup> place, and the third place finisher by record from each pool for 5<sup>th</sup> place.**
  - Seeding for the top 4 wrestlers will be completed using the following criteria:
    1. State Place winner (highest first)
    2. State Qualifier
    3. District Place Winner (highest first)
    4. District Qualifier
    5. Previous LCL Placement
    6. Current Season Record (highest winning percentage order)  
Junior High credentials will not be used

Head to head results from the current season may also be used to determine if criteria should be overridden. Criteria ties will be broken by current season record with a coin flip being used if the tie cannot be broken.

iii. Tie-breaker Criteria

The following criteria will be used to break ties inside individual pools after pool Wrestling has concluded:

1. The wrestler who won the greater number of matches.
2. The wrestler who won the head-to-head match.
3. The wrestler who has been penalized the least number of team points for flagrant or unsportsmanlike conduct.
4. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of team points for all matches
5. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of team points for all for falls, defaults, forfeits, or disqualifications.
6. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of team points for technical falls.
7. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of team points for major decisions.
8. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of points for decisions.
9. The wrestler who accumulated the greater number of pins in the least time.
10. The wrestler who accumulated the quickest pin.
11. The wrestler who accumulated the greatest total point differential for decisions.
12. If none of the above resolves the tie, a flip of a coin will be used.

~~b. Who wrestles who will be determined after wrestlers are entered and by blind draw after seeding. Seed top 4.~~

b. Seeded wrestlers will be placed on predetermined lines so that the top 2 seeds in each pool will meet in the latest possible pool round.

In a 6 man pool, the top 2 seeds will be placed so that they will meet in the final round.

~~c. This format will be used for both Jr. High and High school.~~

c. This format will be used for both Jr. High and High School with the exception that Jr. High seeding criteria will be as follows:

1. OAC State Placer (highest first)
2. OAC State Qualifier
3. Current Season Record (highest winning percentage order)

Grade school credentials will not be used.

~~d. Both Jr. High and High School tournaments should be at the same location and on the same day.~~

~~3. Recommended Mat Format~~

~~a. For 3 mats 1 gym - Jr. High and High school will share gym.~~

- Mat #1 will be High School
- Mat #2 will be combination of Jr. High and High School
- Mat #3 will be Jr. High

- \_\_\_\_\_ b. Separate Gyms for Jr. High and High School is permitted
- \_\_\_\_\_ c. In order to keep the tournament moving and allow time between matches it may be necessary to use any open mat.
- \_\_\_\_\_ d. Breaks will only be used to catch brackets up, or to deal with an unforeseen problem.

#### 4. Sequence

- \_\_\_\_\_ a. 1<sup>st</sup> wrestled will be largest # of wrestlers in a weight class then order of weights.
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. Explanation: If the first 3 weight classes only have 3 wrestlers and 125lb, 145lb has 6 in the bracket, 160 has 2 pools of 4. We would start @ 125 wrestle all 6 man brackets, then all 4 man brackets, 1 pool of 4 or 2 pools of 4 will not matter.

#### 4. Scoring

- a. The results of individual matches determine team scoring
- b. In both the initial pool wrestling and the championship bracket, team scoring will be done using traditional dual-meet scoring. For example, winning wrestlers will score 6 team points for a fall, 5 team points for a technical fall, 4 team points for a major decision and 3 team points for a decision.
- c. Placement points for each wrestler who places in the Top 8 will be awarded to their respective team as follows:
  - First — 20 points
  - Second — 16 points
  - Third — 13 points
  - Fourth — 10 points
  - Fifth — 7 points
  - Sixth — 5 points
  - Seventh — 3 points
  - Eighth — 1 point

#### 4. Team Scoring

- d. NFHS rules for individual tournament team scoring will be used to determine team scores.
  - i. Byes inside pools due to no wrestler being entered will only be scored if the wrestler receiving the Bye has won an actual match in his/her pool.
- e. NFHS rules for placing the top 6 wrestlers will be used for placement scoring.

#### 5. Awards

- a. Individual – High School will be given at the LCL banquet
  - Jr. High will receive ribbons for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- b. Team – High School first place team will receive award at LCL banquet
  - Jr. High team trophy for 1<sup>st</sup> place

## 6. Eligible Wrestlers

a. Must be in good standing and eligible to wrestle ~~in the eyes of OHSAA and LCL~~ **as determined by the OHSAA and LCL.**

b. Wrestlers must be entered in a weight class in writing or **by** form e-mailed to **the** tournament director by the Head Coach **or designated representative** of the participating school **by noon** on the Thursday before competition. **Name changes may be made on the day of competition but new wrestlers may not be added to a weight class.**

c. If a wrestler steps on the scale he **or she** will be ~~on the bracket.~~ **Considered to be entered into the tournament.** ~~If he does not make weight, or cannot wrestle for skin condition or breaking OHSAA rules he will forfeit, and not wrestle for that day. If the entered wrestler is not able to wrestle for any reason after stepping on the scale the entry will become a forfeit in the tournament. If the wrestler is disqualified for any reason before stepping on the scale, the entry will become a Bye in the tournament.~~

~~d. Moving a wrestler. If a wrestler does not make weight at a specific weight class he can move up to another legal weight class under the following conditions. The vacated weight class will be forfeits, and there is no entry in the new weight class. So if your 126lbs. wrestler does not make weight, you can move him to 132 if you do not have a 132lb wrestler entered.~~

**d. Moving a wrestler. Wrestlers may only be moved before weigh in. Coaches must report any desired changes to the tournament director upon arrival to the tournament. Wrestlers who step on the scale at weigh in are considered to be entered into the tournament in the weight reported. If the wrestler does not make weight, they become a forfeit, are disqualified from the tournament, and may NOT move to another weight class.**

~~e. Extras can be used as non-scoring participants if there is an open spot. An open spot is defined as a spot in the brackets where a participating school did not have a varsity entry. So, if 9 of the 10 schools have a 103 pounder, then there is room for 1 non-scorer at 103. If more than one school has an extra the person will be chosen as follows. Team alphabetically, once the first team has an extra chosen, the next extra would go to the next team.~~

**e. Non-scoring wrestlers will not be used in the Licking County Championships.**

## 7. Time Schedule

~~a. Entry form in my office by Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> 12:00 noon — Fax 740-892-2090 or  
E-mail [MDBowman@laca.org](mailto:MDBowman@laca.org)~~

**a. Rosters including wrestlers' grade, current record, and seeding criteria as well as any other relevant seeding information will be due to the tournament director by Noon on the Thursday of tournament week.**

- b. Weigh-in 8:00am
- c. Wrestling will start at 10:00am
- d. ~~Finals will be wrestled at earliest possible time, but not before 4:00pm.~~

d. Finals will be wrestled no later than 1 hour after the conclusion of preliminary rounds.

8. Individual Tie Breaker

- ~~Head to head~~
- ~~Most pins least time~~
- ~~Most points scored~~
- ~~Least points against~~
- ~~USC~~