To: OHSAA Wrestling School Athletic Directors and Head Coaches

From: Tyler Brooks, Senior Manager of Officiating & Sport Administration

Re: February Update

Date: Friday, February 4, 2022

## 1 – Reminder on Non-Interscholastic Events

If an OHSAA wrestler (grades 7-12) participates in a non-interscholastic event after they have joined their OHSAA team then they would not be eligible to return to their school team for the remainder of the season. This is coming up a lot this year because of 7/8 grade final events of season are being delayed from tomorrow (2/5) to next week, while OAC events are occurring on Sunday (2/6). OAC events are non-interscholastic events because they do not follow strict compliance with NFHS rules. There are no exceptions or waivers of any type to this regulation.

## 2 - Reminder on Weight Allowances

If at least one participating team in a given event is not able to practice the day preceding the event, then a 1-pound weight allowance is added to weigh-ins (2-pound growth allowance + 1-pound calamity allowance for a total of +3). If at least one participation team in an event is not able to practice for two days preceding the event, then the event's weigh-ins would be +4 (2-pound growth allowance and 2 pounds for calamity days). +4 pounds is the maximum allowable weight allowance by NFHS rule.

These situations do not have to be requested / approved by me in an email, they are granted by NFHS rule 4-5-5. I am happy to help interpret this rule as needed, so please don't hesitate to reach out to me with your event's scenario.

#### 3 - Update on State Wrestling Ticketing

Details regarding wrestling schools' opportunity to purchase all-session tickets for the State Wrestling Tournament ahead of the public are still being finalized with the OSU Athletic Ticket Office. Schools will still have the opportunity to purchase up to 8 all-session tickets in the lower bowl as they have in the past. Tickets will be purchased online through Ticketmaster.com, so please keep an eye out for information in the next week or two.

## 4 – Home School Weigh-Ins

This is a quick reminder that home school weigh-ins may only be used for sub-varsity events (wrestling regulation 8.2). There are no circumstances (including mutual agreeance of all participating schools) where home school weigh-ins would be approved for varsity competition.

# Resource Links

Past Updates - https://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Wrestling/Athletic-Director-Coach-Updates

Wrestling Manual - <u>https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Sports/Wrestling/2021-22/21-22HSManual.pdf</u>

Wrestling Regulations - https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Sports/Wrestling/WrestlingRegs.pdf



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