

2020 OHSAA Dual Team Wrestling Tournament Regulations
Refer to OHSAA Website: www.ohsaa.org
Regional and State

Note: The following regulations apply to all levels of tournament competition unless otherwise specified. These regulations were adopted by the OHSAA Board of Directors on October 24, 2019. Please check the OHSAA website for the most complete and up-to-date information.

The Executive Director's office is authorized to modify these regulations when it is deemed necessary, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors.

1. Organization

The Regional Wrestling Dual Team Tournament shall be conducted by the OHSAA office and is subject to the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Directors. The tournament will be conducted in 3 divisions – I, II and III.

Each division shall be divided into 8 regions of approximately 16-22 teams per region. All participants must be eligible under the OHSAA Bylaws and Regulations. Only one school team sponsored by a member school is eligible to participate. Only one participant from each school may compete in a weight class. Teams in Division II and Division III have the option to "opt-up" to a higher division in the tournament (see #9c below for details).

2. Tournament Participation Fee

The OHSAA office will assess a \$100 tournament participation fee per team. Fees will be collected by the OHSAA office.

3. Schedule

Regional – Saturday, February 8, 2020

State – Sunday, February 16, 2020

The Regional sites shall be selected by the OHSAA office. The Executive Director's office is authorized to move a site, if necessary.

Matches may begin any time after 9:00 A.M. for the first round with subsequent match to begin 10 minutes after the completion of previous match on the same mat. If the facility has a suitable warm-up area for teams the 10-minute warm-up period shall be optional. Twenty-four teams (eight in each division) shall qualify to the State Tournament.

During competition, empty mats shall remain clear of participants.

4. Assignment of Schools

Schools are assigned to a specific regional site by the OHSAA office and shall compete at the assigned site. The tournament manager shall furnish all competing schools with a copy of instructions and a time schedule prior to the tournament.

5. Rules and Regulations

The NFHS Wrestling Rules, as may be modified by the OHSAA Board of Directors, shall be used in all dual team wrestling tournaments sponsored by the OHSAA.

All OHSAA Bylaws and Sports Regulations apply to the conduct of the OHSAA Regional Dual Team Wrestling Tournament. This includes the prohibition that a student who uses anabolic steroids or other performance enhancing drugs is ineligible for interscholastic competition until such time as medical evidence can be presented that the student's system is free of anabolic steroids or other performance enhancing drugs. The Director of Wrestling shall serve as the final authority on all questions and interpretations arising from the tournament.

6. Weight Classes

There are 14 weight classes: 106, 113, 120, 126, 132, 138, 145, 152, 160, 170, 182, 195, 220 and 285. The minimum weight for the 285 class is 215 lbs. (and is subject to the growth allowance).

7. Weigh-In

Weigh-in will be conducted at the tournament site in accordance with NFHS Rule 4-5. The weigh-in shall be the scratch weight plus four pounds. This is the maximum weight allowed by rule. There will not be any additional weight added for any reason. The weigh-in for all teams will start one hour before the start of the first match at each site.

8. Scoring

The point system as adopted by the NFHS Wrestling Rules shall be used in all OHSAA tournaments.

9. Entry Forms

- (a) A school that can field a team of seven (7) weight classes or more is eligible to enter the Dual Team Tournament.
- (b) Each school shall submit rosters online at www.baumspage.com before **12:00 Noon on Wednesday, February 05.**
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 regional tournament. The intent to participate shall be recorded on the school's sports participation card in myOHSAA. **Monday, January 13, 2020** is the last day to enter or withdraw from the Dual Team Tournament without penalty.
- (c) Teams in Division II and Division III have the option to "opt-up" to a higher division in the tournament. This only applies to the team's participation in the Dual Team Tournament in the current year. Teams must make this optional decision by **Monday, January 13, 2020.** Any changes in Division need to be reported to Tyler Brooks at tbrooks@ohsaa.org.
- (d) A high school wrestler who participates in a non-interscholastic wrestling meet or contest on or after **Monday, January 13, 2019,** is **INELIGIBLE** to represent his/her high school in the OHSAA Dual Team Wrestling Tournament.
- (e) For the regional tournament, the competing wrestlers must:
 - 1. Be listed on the Alpha Master Roster.
 - 2. Wrestle only at the lowest allowable weight or any weight class above as specified by the rules.
- (f) A school may enter no more than three wrestlers per weight class up to a maximum of 28 wrestlers.

10. Seeding and Drawing

- a) Seeding and drawing procedures will be established by the OHSAA as determined by the Board of Directors. Such procedures must be in accordance with Rule 10 in the NFHS Wrestling Rule Book.
- b) The OHSAA will make final adjustments to the schools that are assigned to each Regional Tournament no later than **Wednesday, January 22, 2020.**
- c) Coaches will submit all information for seeding purposes online at www.baumspage.com.
 - 1. The window to submit seed bios will **open at 12:01 AM on Sunday, January 26** and **close precisely at 11:59 PM on Tuesday, January 28.**
 - 2. To access the seeding/voting screens, a coach must submit a tentative roster with wrestlers listed in a **minimum of seven (7) weight classes.**
 - 3. Seeding criteria includes: number of returning District Individual qualifiers and placers, number of returning State Individual Qualifiers and placers, the team's dual record, and the team's success in regular season tournaments.
- d) Head coaches will submit a vote ranking all teams in their Regional via an online seeding procedure hosted on www.baumspage.com as follows:
 - 1. The window to submit a vote will **open at 12:01 AM on Wednesday, January 29** and **close precisely at 11:59 PM on Thursday, January 30.**
 - 2. The results of the seeding will be made public on the OHSAA Website after 12:00 Noon on **Friday, January 31.**
 - 3. A coach shall not vote for his/her own team.
 - 4. If a coach does not submit his/her vote ranking the teams, the highest seed ranking submitted by the other coaches will be deducted from his/her team's total calculated score.
 - 5. These dates and times could be altered based upon inclement weather.

11. Roster Submittal

The deadline to update team rosters on www.baumspage.com for the regional round is **Wednesday, February 05 at 12 Noon.**

12. Weigh-Ins on Event Day

Teams may weigh-in a maximum of three wrestlers per weight class but are limited to 28 total wrestlers. A wrestler cannot be listed in more than one weight class. Coaches are required to make corrections to their weigh-in sheet (generated by the Baumspage Dual Meet Manager application) when they check-in at the site. Coaches may make necessary additions, deletions, and / or weight class changes to their weigh-in sheet until their first wrestler steps on their assigned scale to begin their team's official weigh-in.

13. School Representative

No team shall be allowed to compete in the regional or state tournament unless accompanied while participating by a coach or person authorized by the Board of Education. Teams and individuals unaccompanied by such school representative or coach will be disqualified. (Bylaw 3-3-1)

14. Videotaping

(a) Videotaping or filming by participating schools.

1. Videotaping or filming of tournament contests by one or more schools participating in the contest is permitted provided prior arrangements are made with the tournament manager and it is done at the expense of the school involved. A maximum of one individual per school is permitted.
2. NFHS Rule 4-3-6 states that electronic devices that enable communication between coach and contestant during a match are not permitted.

(b) Videotaping or filming by spectators

1. Shall be for personal use.
2. Shall not be used for the purpose of scouting or coaching.
3. Shall not interfere with the view of the athletic contest by other spectators.
4. The tournament site shall not permit the use of more than the seating space for which the spectator has paid when seating is needed for paid fans.
5. The tournament site accepts no liability for damage or theft of spectator equipment or injury as a result of privately owned equipment.
6. Equipment will not be permitted in any competition area – only in the spectator seating area.
7. The tournament site will not provide sources of power for video equipment.
8. Violation of this regulation may result in the removal of offender from the premises.

15. Required Medical Professionals

A physician (M.D. or D.O.) or a licensed athletic trainer (A.T.) must be present at all regional and state tournament weigh-ins. The tournament physician's/athletic trainer's decisions relative to the medical status of any wrestler are final. If a physician is unavailable during competition, an appropriate number of certified athletic trainers must be present.

16. Awards

Team trophies will be presented to the champion and runner-up teams in each regional tournament.

17. State Tournament Qualifiers

8 teams per division shall advance to the state tournament.

18. Officials

Officials shall be assigned by the Executive Director's office.

19. Media Credentials

All requests for media credentials at regional tournaments shall be directed to the site manager. Proper identification must be presented for admission at pass gate.

20. Admission Prices

The Regional admission prices shall be:

\$8.00 – Regionals

Children age 5 or under will not be charged admission.

Special Notice to All Managers and Schools

Each person paying admission MUST be given a ticket. All tickets must be torn in half when the purchaser is admitted. If the sale and admittance are handled at the same location, then the purchaser is entitled to and shall be given one-half of the ticket. Such ticket stubs shall NOT be used as pass-out tickets.

21. Signs and Banners

Signs, school banners, pennants, shakers and mechanical noisemakers such as horns, bells, sirens, drums, etc. are not permitted.

22. Manager's Report

A complete report listing the competing schools and number of competitors from each school that actually participated must be sent to the Executive Director's office by the tournament manager immediately following the tournament.

23. Sponsorship and Rights

The Ohio High School Athletic Association is the sponsoring organization for the wrestling tournaments. The OHSAA reserves all rights in regard to the management of these tournaments and the sale of any items at the tournament sites or any audio-visual reproductions of the events. Any sale of food, clothing, souvenirs, or other items at the site is strictly prohibited without permission of OHSAA Executive Director's office for the regional and state tournaments. The videotaping of any or all portions of the tournament for resale purposes is prohibited without written permission of the OHSAA Executive Director's office.

24. Prohibited Advertising

There shall be no advertising through printed media, billboards, radio or television that includes alcohol, tobacco, political parties or candidates, or any other advertising contrary to the philosophy of the high school athletic program.

25. Raffles Prohibited

There shall be no raffles or any type of games of chance permitted at the site of wrestling tournament contests during the period beginning one hour prior to the tournament and ending one hour after the tournament has ended.

26. Prohibited Sales

The sale, distribution, or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs is not permitted at the site of any contest which involves OHSAA member schools.

27. Professionalism of Coaches

It is the moral obligation of all Ohio wrestling coaches to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects credit upon their high school, their profession and themselves. Personal grooming and appropriate dress is a standard of professionalism. The wearing of jeans, t-shirts, sweat suits and warm-up suits (top or bottom), head wear and similar apparel are not considered suitable attire for coaches during the OHSAA sectional, district or state wrestling tournaments and, therefore, are prohibited. Coaches who are inappropriately dressed will not be allowed on the competition floor. Moral behavior and ethical conduct are part of winning and losing. Good sportsmanship, appearance, honor, and concern for the well-being of the competitors must be every coach's priority. The rules have been established in the spirit of this statement.

28. Unsporting Conduct Penalty

During participation in OHSAA tournaments, any student or coach ejected for unsporting conduct or a flagrant foul shall be ineligible for the remainder of that tournament as well as all contests at all levels in wrestling until two regular season/tournament contest points or two event days at the same level as the ejection or disqualification. Individuals ejected for unsporting conduct shall be reported to the OHSAA Executive Director's office by the tournament manager. The Executive Director's office may impose additional penalties in accordance with Bylaw 11.

29. Property

There is no insurance covering property damage. If property is damaged at a tournament site by competing school teams, student body or spectators, the school from which the students and/or spectators come shall be liable and pay the cost of repair or replacement. The tournament manager is authorized to deduct from the

school's share the cost of any damages caused by competing school competitors, coaches or followers. Other damages to facilities not attributed to a competing school could be a legitimate tournament expense and may be deducted from tournament receipts. If damage is extensive, the OHSAA Executive Director's office will become involved

29. Inclement Weather

If any site is at a Level 3 Snow Emergency, the tournament may be postponed and re-scheduled for the next day if possible, or the next logistically available date.

8th OHSAA State Wrestling Dual Team Tournament
Sunday, February 16, 2020 – Divisions I, II, and III – St. John Arena
The Ohio State University
Dr. Bruce L. Maurer, Manager

Refer to OHSAA Website - www.ohsaa.org

1. Regulations

The Regional Wrestling Dual Team Tournament regulations shall apply to the State Wrestling Dual Team Tournament in addition to those listed below.

2. Management

The State Wrestling Dual Team Tournament is under the supervision and sponsorship of the OHSAA and The Ohio State University. The Tournament Manager is Dr. Bruce L. Maurer.

3. Pairings

The state pairings will be determined by the head coaches of qualifying state tournament teams. Coaches will login to their account on www.baumspage.com to modify their seed bio and rank the other teams in their division from first to last.

1. The window to modify seed bios will **open at 12:01 AM on Sunday, February 9 and close precisely at 12:00 noon on Monday, February 10.**
2. The window to submit a vote will **open at 12:01 PM on Monday, February 10 and close precisely at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, February 11.**
3. A coach shall not vote for his/her own team.
4. These dates and times could be altered based upon inclement weather.

Pairings will be available **Tuesday, February 11, 2:00 PM**, on the OHSAA website.

4. Admission

Tickets may be purchased through Ticketmaster for \$10 per session or \$15 for an all-day ticket that includes both sessions. Tickets shall also go on sale at The Ohio State University Athletic Ticket Office at St. John Arena at a time and date to be determined. Please **monitor** the OHSAA website for this information. No pass-outs are allowed. Cheerleaders and mat maids must purchase a ticket or be included in the school's allotment of passes. They will not be allowed on the arena floor.

5. Wrestler and Coaches Passes

Coaches shall receive 7 Participating Team Passes plus 1 for each wrestler listed on the OHSAA Weigh-in Form.

6. Programs

The price of the official OHSAA State Wrestling Dual Team Tournament Program shall be \$4.00. Each wrestler will receive one (1) program and the coaching staff will receive two (2) programs complimentary.

7. Media Credentials

Media credential requests shall be submitted to the OHSAA per procedures outlined on the OHSAA website. All requests should be sent to the attention of Tim Stried, Senior Director of Information Services. The deadline for submitting requests is 4PM on Thursday, February 13. Walk-up requests will not be accepted. Proper identification must be presented for admission at the pass gate.

8. Practice Sites

There is no **practice** facility available at St. John Arena to conduct practices or a weigh-in prior to **Sunday, February 16.**

9. Roster Submittal

Deadline for updating team rosters on www.baumspage.com for the official program is **Tuesday, February 11 at 10 AM.**

Coaches may make necessary additions, deletions, and / or weight class changes to their roster (weigh-in sheet) until their first wrestler steps on their assigned scale for their team's official weigh-in to begin. on Sunday, February 16.

10. Packet Pickup

Packets which contain tickets, parking passes, team rosters, and tournament info shall be picked up at St. John Arena beginning at 8 AM, Sunday, February 16.

11. Parking

Each school team shall receive 4 parking passes. Instructions for use of these parking passes will be in the coach's packet. Public parking will be available on The Ohio State University Campus at no charge. Coaches' parking passes are non-transferable.

12. Weigh-In

Scales will open Sunday, February 16, 8 AM, in St. John Arena. The wrestler will be able to weigh-in unofficially from 8 AM to 8:50 AM on the same scale which he/she will weigh-in officially beginning at his/her appointed time. Coaches are encouraged to utilize this unofficial weigh-in. By making the same scales available for the unofficial weigh-in, it is anticipated that all wrestlers will make weight during the official weigh-in. All wrestlers must weigh-in Sunday, February 16, from 9 AM to 9:35 AM. Weigh-in appointment times will be in the packet. The weigh-in shall be the scratch weight plus four pounds. This is the maximum weight allowed by rule. There will not be any additional weight added for any reason.

Teams may weigh-in a maximum of three wrestlers per weight class but are limited to 28 total wrestlers. A wrestler cannot be listed in more than one weight class. Coaches are required to make corrections to their weigh-in sheet received at packet pickup when they check-in at the site. Coaches may make necessary additions, deletions, and / or weight class changes to their weigh-in sheet until their first wrestler steps on their assigned scale to begin their team's official weigh-in.

13. Coaches Meeting

Coaches meeting will be Sunday, February 16, 8:30 AM, in St. John Arena.

14. Professionalism of Coaches

It is the moral obligation of all Ohio wrestling coaches to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects credit upon their high school, their profession and themselves. Personal grooming and appropriate dress is a standard of professionalism. The wearing of jeans, t-shirts, sweat suits and warm-up suits (top or bottom), head wear and similar apparel are not considered suitable attire for coaches during the OHSAA sectional, district or state wrestling tournaments and, therefore, are prohibited. Coaches who are inappropriately dressed will not be allowed on the competition floor. Moral behavior and ethical conduct are part of winning and losing. Good sportsmanship, appearance, honor, and concern for the well-being of the competitors must be every coach's priority. The rules have been established in the spirit of this statement.

15. Locker Rooms and Showers

Lockers will not be available for contestants. Showers shall be available in St. John Arena NE Shower Room.

16. Awards

A team trophy and 28 medals for students plus 6 extra for coaching staff shall be awarded to the state champion and runner-up in each division.

17. Officials

Officials shall be assigned by the Executive Director's office. An official may only work: A. the State Dual Team or State Individual Tournament yearly; B. the State Dual Team or State Individual Tournament for 2 consecutive years; C. A combination of the State Dual Team and State Individual Tournaments for 3 consecutive years. Exception: These regulations do not apply to the alternate official.

18. ACT/SAT Test Conflict

If a wrestler is scheduled to take the ACT/SAT during the OHSAA State Wrestling Dual Team Tournament Weigh-in, the school shall: A. Weigh-in the wrestler on the same day as the state tournament; B. Have a school administrator (Principal, Asst. Principal, Dean, Athletic Director) or designated OHSAA representative conduct

the weigh-in; and C. Present to the State Tournament Manager prior to competing (a) Administrator's printed name and signature, (b) Wrestler's exact weight, and (c) ACT/SAT Official Receipt.

19. Warm-Up Period

During Session 1 each round of wrestling will be preceded by a scheduled minimum 15-minute warm-up period. Once this warm-up period is completed the arena floor will be cleared of all team members. Then coaches and team members will be re-admitted who have an Arena Floor Access Pass only. If all 6 dual meets are completed early, the warm-up period may be longer than 15 minutes.

During competition, empty mats shall remain clear of participants.

20. Time Schedule

NOTE: All times are approximate. Times could be later due to length of matches but will not start before the posted time.

Sunday, February 16

8:00 AM - Scales Open for Unofficial Weigh-In

8:00 AM - Coaches Packet Pickup

8:30 AM - Coaches Meeting

8:50 AM – Scales Close for Unofficial Weigh-In

9:00 AM – Official Weigh-In Begins

9:30 AM – Ticket Office Opens

9:35 AM – Official Weigh-in Ends

10:00 AM – Doors Open for QF's & SF's

11:00 AM – SESSION ONE (QF's & SF's) 6 MATS

11:00 AM - Upper Bracket QF's: D I – Mats 1 & 2, D II – Mats 3 & 4, D III – Mats 5 & 6

1:15 PM – Lower Bracket QF's: D I – Mats 1 & 2, D II – Mats 3 & 4, D III – Mats 5 & 6

3:30 PM – SF's: D I – Mats 1 & 2, D II – Mats 3 & 4, D III – Mats 5 & 6

6:45 PM – Doors Open for Finals

7:30 PM – SESSION TWO (FINALS) 3 MATS

D I – Mat 1; D II – Mat 2; D III – Mat 3

20. Time Schedule Inclusive Times (Approximate)

Session 1: 11:00 AM -- 5:30 PM

Session 2: 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM