

District IX/IV Individual Wrestling Tournament

AA/AAA Tournament

To: District IX/IV High School Principals and Athletic
Directors

From: Mr. Peter Grecco, Tournament Director

Date: 01/24/22

Re: 2022 Individual Wrestling Tournament

Enclosed is important information concerning this year's individual wrestling tournament which will be held on Saturday, February 26, 2022 (AA & AAA). AA this year will be held at Clarion University and AAA will be held at Clearfield High School.

PLEASE SEE THAT THIS MATERIAL AND SCHEDULE IS MADE AVAILABLE TO YOUR ATHLETIC DIRECTOR AND HEAD WRESTLING COACH. Students, parents, and the local media will also be interested in these materials.

Each school is to identify a non-coach member of the school's administration who will be present at all tournament sessions and identify himself/herself at these times as the school's representative responsible for the wrestlers, coaches, and fans, as per the PIAA Constitution Article IX, Section 2, Powers & Duties of the Principal. The principal is asked to submit the name

of this individual. We will have a sign-in sheet for that individual at the tournament.

If you or any of your school personnel have any questions concerning this tournament, please contact me at 814-591-7835

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TOURNAMENT SUPERVISION

The wrestling tournament is under the supervision of the District IX PIAA Committee. Chairman of the Wrestling Committee is Mr. Peter Grecco. The District IX Wrestling Committee consists of the following members:

Peter Grecco	Tournament Director
Bill Jordan	Committee Member
Bob Gearhart	Committee Member
Dave Osborne	Committee Member
Kevin Doverspike	Committee Member

SEEDING MEETING

The AAA Seeding meeting will be done by email. AAA seeding process will be done by e-mail, so all coaches will be asked to follow this procedure. Coaches must submit their line-ups to me by Friday, February 18 via email. I will seed the wrestlers using a power-point system (used by AAA last year). The AA seeding meeting will take place at Brockway Jr. Sr. High School on February 20th at 11:00 am in Room 400.

Entry into the District IX Tournament is a two-part process. (A) Entries will be first verified at the seeding meeting. **There will be NO substitution at the tournament unless it is for a verified injury or illness.** A wrestler may not change weight classes once entered in a weight at the seeding meeting. (B) To finalize entry the wrestler must make weight at the weight class entered at the seeding meeting. There will be no forfeits in the first round of wrestling. All empty lines on the bracket will be considered byes, even if the line had been filled at the seeding meeting. **All COACHES MUST BRING A WEIGHT ASSESSMENT SHEET TO WEIGH-INS ON SATURDAY.**

TIME SCHEDULE FOR AA TOURNAMENT

9:30 A.M. - Round 1- Championship Preliminaries (3 mats) (Session I is round 1-6)

Round 2- Championship Quarter Finals & Consolation Round #1

Round 3- Consolation Round #2

Round 4- Championship Semi-Finals & Consolation Quarter Finals

Round 5- Consolation Semi-Finals

Round 6- 5th and 6th place matches (2 mats)

3:45 PM - Hall of Fame Inductions

4:00 P.M. - Parade of Champions for Championships (Finals only)

4:10 P.M. - Round 7- Championship & Consolation Finals (2 mats) (Session II is round 7)

Saturday, February 26

TIME SCHEDULE FOR AAA TOURNAMENT

9:30 A.M. - Round 1- Championship Quarter Finals (2 mats) (Session I round 1-4)

Round 2- Championship Semi-Finals & Consolation Quarter Finals

Round 3- Consolation Semi-Finals

Round 4- 5th and 6th place matches

3:45 P.M. - Parade of Champions for Championships (Finals only)

4:00 P.M. - Round 5- Championship & Consolation Finals (2 mats) (Session II Round 5)

WEIGH-INS

AA Saturday 2/26 8:00 AM

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The PIAA referees will be responsible for the format and completion of the weigh-ins. Wrestlers will have to pass hair, skin, and fingernail checks prior to gaining entry to the scales for weigh-in. Completed and current PIAA contagious skin disease forms are preferred at this time, however, wrestlers must be cleared prior to the start of the competition.

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ALL TEAMS BE PRESENT AT THE POSTED WEIGH-IN TIME. ONCE THE WEIGH-IN PROCESS BEGINS, NO ONE MAY ENTER OR LEAVE THE WEIGH-IN AREA UNTIL ALL WEIGHT CLASSES HAVE BEEN WEIGHTED IN. THE WEIGH-IN PERIOD WILL END IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE LAST 285 LB. WRESTLER IS WEIGHED-IN. As per the NHFS rules there is no longer a posted weigh-in period, with a start time and finish time.

COACHES MEETING

Saturday	2/26 AA	9:00 AM	Coaches Room
	AAA	9:00 AM	Coaches Room

MEALS

AAA Meals and snacks will be available throughout the tournament in the Clearfield High School cafeteria. Please contact Robert Gearhart at 765-5511 ext. 2003. AA meals and snacks will be available at the CUP concession stands.

AWARDS

The District IX Committee will award a Team Trophy and 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place medals to individual place-winners at each weight class.

The Joseph Kata Award for the Outstanding Wrestler in AA and AAA will be presented by the District IX Committee.

The Coach of the Year Award in AA and AAA will be provided by the District IX Wrestling Coaches Association.

ELIGIBILITY

All wrestlers must meet all PIAA eligibility standards and submit a current weigh-in sheet at the Seeding meeting. **COACHES MUST BRING A WEIGHT ASSESSMENT SHEET TO THE WEIGH-INS ON SATURDAY.**

CONTESTANT DECORUM

To be consistent with the PIAA policy, wrestlers will adhere to the following regulations on dress and behavior while they are on the floor of the gym; this policy will be enforced throughout the tournament.

All contestants must be dressed in school-issued uniforms and/or school-issued warm-ups while on the area floor and during award presentations. Hats, sunglasses, cut-offs, altered clothing or clothing displaying inappropriate advertisements, jewelry, or other cosmetic paraphernalia are prohibited while on the floor by order of the PIAA.

It is also recommended by the PA Wrestling Coaches Association that coaches dress appropriately throughout the tournament, as a professional representative of the sport.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Schools will receive locker-room assignments at weigh ins. Teams are asked to be responsible for the care of their assigned areas. All damages will be assessed and billed to the school districts. Security cameras are available throughout the venues and will be used to assess any damages that occur.
- You are responsible for the security and safety of your team valuables and equipment. Because of the limited seating in both gyms, wrestlers will not be permitted to bring any duffel bags into the gym.
- Spectator and participant behavior will be regulated according to the PIAA rules and regulations.