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Wrestling Handbook

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<http://www.armdrag.com/ci/>

Items in RED Text are new 2022-23

Yellow Highlight items will be updated

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FORMS: Click on the link to access: [Wrestling - New York State Public High School Athletic Association \(nysphsaa.org\)](http://Wrestling - New York State Public High School Athletic Association (nysphsaa.org))

1. Admittance/Certified Coaches form for Duals Tournament & post-season Competitions S6-pt
2. [NYSPHSAA Parental Awareness form](#) for Weight Certification program [state link](#)
3. Wrestling [Tournament Guidelines S6](#)
4. NYSPHSAA [Request for Waiver of the Two Week Rule both](#)
5. NYSPHSAA Physician Permission to Compete in Wrestling with Skin Lesion(s) Form [State Form](#)
6. NYSPHSAA-[Dual Meet Weigh-In S6](#)
7. NYSPHSAA [Tournament Weigh-in Form S6](#)
8. The [50% Rule for NYS S6](#)
9. Financial Report - Treasurer will send to site chairperson
10. [All-WNY Scholar-Athlete Nomination Link](#)
11. [Waiver for Minimum Number of Contests](#) Link
12. Board approved Coaches List [Board Approved Coaches List](#)
13. Section 6 ROSTER entry spring 2023.xlsxm (File will be updated soon)

2022 - 2023 Wrestling Calendar

The Section VI approved Wrestling season is **Nov. 14, 2022 to Mar. 26, 2023**

First Practice*: **November 14, 2022**
Number of practices required to represent school: 10
Deadline for Seeding Spreadsheet February 1st , 2023 (9:00 p.m)
seeding spreadsheet Link (seeding spreadsheet link on website-available later time)
Sectional Seeding Meeting Saturday, February 4-5, 2022
***Weight Certification - November 18-21 (Specific sites,times etc. are on page 14)

Scholar-Athlete [Nomination Forms](#) **DEADLINE**

March 13, 2023

Section VI Dual-Meet Tournament

Section VI Saturday, January 7th, 2023 @ Lancaster HS Field House
Weigh-in: 8:00-9:00 am Start: 10:00 am Finals: 4:00 pm

NYSPHSAA Dual Meet Championship

Saturday January 28, 2023, Onondaga Comm College - Syracuse Time 9:00 a.m

SECTION 6 Class Tournaments

Saturday, February 4th 2023.

Sites: AA - Will North, A - TBA , B - CSAT MS, C/D - TBA

Weigh-in: 7:30-8:30 am Start: 9:00 am *Finals: D1-4:00 *D2-5:30

*Times may change as needed by host site.

Class tournament may be a 2 day tournament if the host site cannot accommodate enough mats to complete the tournament in one day.

SECTION 6 Individual State Qualifiers

Saturday, February 11, 2023

D1 - Starpoint D2 - Lake Shore HS

Weigh-in: 8:00-9:00 am Start: 10:00 am Finals: D1 5:00 pm; D2 TBA

NYSPHSAA State Championships

Fri.-Sat. Feb. 24-25, 2023, Times Union Center, Albany

First round matches: 10:00 a.m.

Section VI Wrestling Committee

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Committee voting privileges:

As per the Section VI Constitution item 7.6, "The representative members on each sport committee will be appointed by each league and have only one vote per league. Other non-voting members may be selected by the Sport Chairperson. Federated sport representative members that are appointed by their division, league or school will have only one vote. The Sport Chairs of Federated Sports that have divisions will verify that among division representatives each participating league is represented. The Sport Chair may only vote when the vote is tied. A Sport Chair who also represents a league can serve in both capacities but will have only one vote." The voting members of the committee are indicated below with an **asterisk**.

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Additional Names and Numbers

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Definition of a Scrimmage

A scrimmage is a practice that is a **SIMULATED CONTEST**. In scrimmages: (a) both squads use the same field simultaneously with both coaches making corrections and giving instructions, (b) **GAME RULES MUST BE**

ALTERED – SEE SPORT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS [NYSPPHSAA Handbook](#), (c) no official score is kept, (d) time period(s) are defined in the Sport Standards section of the NYSPHSAA Handbook , (e) no admission is charged. The use of officials would be permitted and encouraged whenever possible for the purpose of instruction regarding the rules and proper application of rules. A wrestling scrimmage must include *one or more* of the following:

1. Must wrestle in predefined situations such as pinning, takedowns, turns, etc.
2. Must wrestle in neutral position. If a takedown occurs would go back to the neutral position.
3. Must wrestle in the referee's position using both styles. If a pin occurs, restart in the referees position.

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The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Standards (24) are listed on page 104 of the [NYSPPHSAA Handbook](#)
Sport Standard 24.07 #6 & #7 Updated July 2020

6. A waiver of NFHS Rule 7-4-2, in tournaments only, straps may be taken down outside of the wrestling circle. (July 2020)
7. A waiver of NFHS Rule 4-5, wrestlers are not allowed a one-pound allowance for meets or tournaments following a Sunday or school holiday. (July 2020)

All NYSPHSAA Handbooks pertaining to wrestling can be found at the following link:

[Wrestling - New York State Public High School Athletic Association \(nyspphsaa.org\)](http://www.nyspphsaa.org)

Additional information:

A Parents' Awareness Form (page 13) for the wrestling minimum weight certification is required to be signed by the parent/guardian and the student and kept on file by the school athletic director

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season:

- The first and second place finishers at the Individual Sectional Qualifiers will advance to the NYSPHSAA state tournament. A True second match will be contested wherever necessary to determine our state representatives. At our Sectional Finals, the Championship matches (For 1st and 2nd place) will be contested at the same time as our consolation finals (3rd and 4th place) in the event a true second match may have to be contested later. This will allow for equal rest for the participants. At-Large bids have been eliminated.

- There are now 13 weight classes:

102, 110, 118, 126, 132, 138, 145, 152, 160, 172, 189, 215, 285

- NO coaches are allowed in the weigh in area at all post-season tournaments.

- IN Body system for weight certifications will be implemented starting with the 21-22 season (equipment has already been obtained by Section 6). More training will be provided to our assessors heading into the upcoming season.

New for 2022-23: ALL coaches will be required to enter all dual and tournament weights into TrackWrestling as a way to track the 50% rule. (This will prepare coaches for the implementation of the 1.5% weight descent rule if passed by the NYS Executive committee for the 2023-24 season).

Wrestling Clarifications

1. If a wrestler does not attend his/her assigned weight certification and does not get certified within the first 14 days of practice, the request for a waiver must include medical proof. Otherwise, approval may be significantly delayed while the reason for absence is substantiated through school officials.
2. A **Parental Permission/Skin Disorder Form** (page 13) must be signed by the parent/guardian and wrestlers. The form explains the process of weight certification. This form is to be kept on file by the athletic director of your school until the end of the season. No wrestler will be weight certified until this form is returned to their coach.
3. A team may enter a maximum of 13 contestants into the class tournament. No more than 2 contestants may be entered in any weight class.
4. Male and female contestants are required to wear a legal team uniform (or singlet) during weigh-ins. (effective 2019-20)

Communicable Disease Procedures

While risk of one athlete infecting another with HIV/AIDS during competition is close to non-existent, there is a remote risk that other blood borne infectious diseases can be transmitted. For example, Hepatitis B can be present in blood as well as in other body fluids. Procedures for reducing the potential for transmission of these infectious agents should include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. The bleeding must be stopped, the open wound covered and if there is an excessive amount of blood on the uniform it must be changed before the athlete may participate.
2. Routine use of gloves or other precautions to prevent skin and mucous membrane exposure when contact with blood or other body fluids is anticipated.
3. Immediately wash hands and other skin surfaces if contaminated (in contact) with blood or other body fluids. Wash hands immediately after removing gloves.
4. Clean all contaminated surfaces and equipment with an appropriate disinfectant before competition resumes.
5. Practice proper disposal procedures to prevent injuries caused by needles, scalpels and other sharp instruments or devices.
6. Although saliva has not been implicated in HIV transmission, to minimize the need for emergency mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, mouthpieces, resuscitation bags, or other ventilation devices should be available for use.
7. Athletic trainers/coaches with bleeding or oozing skin conditions should refrain from all direct athletic care until the condition resolves.
8. Contaminated towels should be properly disposed of/ disinfected.
9. Follow acceptable guidelines in the immediate control of bleeding and when handling bloody dressings, mouth-guards and other articles containing body fluids.
10. Refer to the State Website for the appropriate form Physician Release for Wrestler to Participate with Skin Lesion(s) click here for [Skin Lesion\(s\) Form Updated Link](#)
https://nysphsaa.org/documents/2021/9/21//Wrestling_Skin_Infection_form_2021.pdf?id=1940

ALL WRESTLING FORMS CAN BE FOUND HERE:

<https://nysphsaa.org/index.aspx?path=wrestling>

Additional information is available from your state high school association and from the National Federation TARGET program *Revised March 1994*

Publicity & Media

1. Media request for approval: Radio and TV stations must secure approval from the local school, officials, Section VI Wrestling Chairpersons and Section VI Media Chairman Mark DiFilippo.
2. At the conclusion of meet, the winning coach must give results to radio and television; and then notify the Sports Department collect. Please make certain of this. Each year, sportswriters and sportscasters criticize Section VI for lack of cooperation in reporting game results. Media are listed on page 10 of the Section VI Directory. Click on [MEDIA LINK](#) or go to <http://www.section6.e1b.org> General Information, Media

Divisional (Class) Tournaments

Divisional Tournament Sites are listed on the calendar on the page 3.

Factors considered in selecting sites are:

1. Availability of housing for traveling teams
2. Facilities
3. Experience in conducting tournaments
4. Location
5. Experienced personnel to conduct the tournament
6. Cost- The Section is very interested in making sure that every tournament makes a profit. Please secure volunteers whenever possible.
7. Submit an estimated bid of what expenses you would have to pay to conduct this tournament. The Section allows \$800.00 to run the tournament.

All-WNY Scholar Athlete

Coaches and Athletic Directors are encouraged to nominate athletes for selection as an All-WNY Scholar Athlete. Applications must be completed on-line. Click here for [Nomination Form](#). before **March 14, 2022** Those selected will be honored by both Section VI and the Buffalo News.

Section VI AED Policy

(effective Feb. 2003)

The game site-chairperson will be responsible for securing an AED for the certified trainer's use at all sectional contests, and at all regional and state contests that are hosted by Section VI. The certified trainer will be provided by an orthopedic group contracted by Section VI, at all postseason contests held at **NEUTRAL SITES**. Note: If a school suffers loss or damage to an AED that is being used for postseason contests, the Section will be financially responsible.

Regulations Regarding Senior All-Star & Outside Agency Contests

(updated April 2009)

(updated October 2013 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee)

1. All Senior All-Star and Outside Agency contests **MUST** be approved by Section VI. In addition, Senior All-Star contests must be approved by NYSPHSAA. The forms required are posted on the section website*
2. All Senior All-Star and Outside Agency contests must be conducted within the season dates approved by the Section VI Athletic Council for that sport. The calendar of approved season dates for all sports is posted on the section website*
3. Only seniors who have completed their secondary school eligibility in that sport may compete in these contests.
4. *A contestant may participate in any approved senior all star athlete contest in the same sport during the school year. (approved October 24, 2013, NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting).*

NOTE: A Senior All-Star contest by NYSPHSAA standards, is one in which an athlete's participation is based solely on outstanding performance as a member of a high school team. If open-tryouts are held, the contest is NOT a NYSPHSAA All-Star contest.

*www.section6.e1b.org Click on *Forms* Scroll down to *Senior All Star*, or call the Section office 821-7581.

Classifications 2022-23

DIVISION 1 600+						
CLASS AA - 10 SCHOOLS			CLASS A - 9 SCHOOLS			
1	Williamsville North *	ECIC	1747	1	Niagara Wheatfield	NFL 888
2	Niagara Falls	NFL	1550	2	Hamburg / Eden*	ECIC 879
3	Ken West *	NFL	1496	3	Sweet Home	ECIC 803
4	Lancaster	ECIC	1259	4	North Tonawanda	NFL 773
5	West Seneca West*	ECIC	1224	5	Starpoint	ECIC 681
6	Orchard Park	ECIC	1046	6	Grand Island	NFL 674
7	Lockport	NFL	1022	7	Williamsville South	ECIC 668
8	Clarence	ECIC	1016	8	Amherst	ECIC 653
9	Jamestown	ECIC	1016	9	Health Science*	Ind. 618
10	Frontier	ECIC	1013			
Top 4 from the AA and A tournaments will advance to the Individual State Qualifier Tournament (8 man bracket with double elimination)						
DIVISION 2 0-599						
CLASS B - 15 SCHOOLS			CLASS C/D 15 SCHOOLS			
1	CSAT	NFL	555	1	Springville	ECIC 360
2	Fredonia *	CCAA	553	2	Medina	NO 354
3	Olean *	CCAA	546	3	Akron	NO 342
4	East Aurora	ECIC	502	4	Southwestern	CCAA 339
5	Iroquois	ECIC	498	5	Royalton-Hartland*	NO 333
6	Pioneer	ECIC	497	6	Chaut. Lake *	CCAA 323
7	Lake Shore	ECIC	489	7	Newfane	NO 297
8	Lewiston Porter	NFL	482	8	Salamanca	CCAA 296
9	Maryvale	ECIC	480	9	Portville	CCAA 240
10	Cheektowaga	ECIC	479	10	Wilson	NO 234
11	Dunkirk	CCAA	479	11	Randolph	CCAA 213
12	Albion	NO	411	12	Frewsburg	CCAA 212
13	Lackawanna	ECIC	392	13	Gowanda	CCAA 208
14	Tonawanda	ECIC	389	14	Maple Grove	CCAA 141
15	Falconer *	CCAA	376	15	Franklinville	CCAA 125
The top 5 from the B and C/D tournaments will advance to the Individual State Qualifier Tournament (10 man bracket - double elimination)						

2022-2023 Combining of Schools

Chautauqua Lake, Westfield, Panama, Clymer, V, 7/8/9, 323 D2

East Aurora, Holland, V, 502 D2

Falconer, Cassadaga Valley, V & JV, 7/8, 376 D2

Fredonia, Silver Creek, Forestville, Brocton, V & JV, 553 D2

Kenmore West, Kenmore East, V & JV, 1496 D1

Hamburg, Eden V & JV 879 D1

Olean, Allegany-Limestone, V & 7/8/9, 546 D2

Roy-Hart, Barker, V, JV & 7/8, 333 D2

West Seneca West, West Seneca East, & Depew V & 7/8, 1224 D1

Williamsville North, Williamsville East, V, 1747 D1

Health Sciences, Tapestry, Maritime, Bflo Academy of Science 618 D1

Section VI Qualifying Procedures for 2022-2023

Section VI will conduct 4 Divisional (Class) tournaments, based upon enrollment. These tournaments will be called Class AA and A in Division 1 and Class B, and C/D in Division 2. Schools within each Class are defined on page 10.

Each Division 1 Tournament will qualify 4 wrestlers per weight class to the Section VI Championships.

Each Division 2 Tournament will qualify 5 wrestlers per weight class to the Section VI Championships.

Medical wildcards for sickness and/or injury will be considered only under the following circumstances:

- a. Medical wildcards must be declared prior to the beginning of the seeding process for any weight class. Once seeding begins in any weight class, NO more medical wildcards will be allowed.
- b. Written verification by a doctor as to injury and/or illness-this must be presented to the site chairman.
- c. A medical wildcard must meet the criteria to be seeded 1-4 in his/her weight class.
- d. Approved wildcards will be in addition to the qualifying place winners.
- e. Tournaments will wrestle back to six places.

Entries: Each school is allowed to enter up to 2 contestants per weight class with a maximum of 13 wrestlers. The wrestler must be entered in the same weight class for both the Divisional and State Qualifying Tournaments. All wrestlers are officially entered in the class tournament once the seeding process begins. A wrestler cannot be moved once the seeding process begins for the first weight class as all coaches are afforded the opportunity to see all entries prior to the seeding meeting. The only exception: A second entry may be forced to move from a weight class due to too many participants (more than 16 entries). To be eligible for sectional or state competition, contestants in individual sports must have represented their school in six (6) scheduled contests. The required contests must occur on six different dates and must be concluded prior to the conclusion of the team's regular season.

Seeding for Class Tournaments: (Seeding Clarifications are on page 27 at the end of the handbook)

***Seeding Criteria:** To be considered for a seed in a weight class, a wrestler must have a better than .500 Overall record and 50% of his weigh-ins in the weight class (lower weight of 2 choices). Private / Catholic and out of Section matches all count for seeding. If a team enters two contestants in the same weight class, BOTH wrestlers must have represented his/her school in 6 contests. Seed all participants who merit such according to established Section 6 seeding criteria. Any byes will be randomly drawn. Weight classes will be redrawn if there are changes other than a replacement for a non-seeded wrestler.*

Section 6 Class tournaments will be seeded according to the Section 6 points based seeding mechanics that are posted on the Section 6 website. [Section VI Seeding Mechanics on page 21](#)

Before a wrestler can be entered into the Class and Sectional Tournaments, the coach must submit a complete and up-to-date NYS District Reporting Record Form as provided by the Track Wrestling website that is signed by both the coach and the participating wrestler prior to the beginning of the seeding meeting for the divisional tournaments. **All Schools are strongly encouraged to complete all regular season dual matches before January 31st, 2023. ALL scheduling should be finalized by January 13. Teams should not schedule any multi-team events after this date, unless it is a make-up due to a previously postponed event.**

Section VI Seeding Policy 212.6 Any school who has not submitted complete and up-to-date seeding information to the sport chairs by the requested dates for the seeding meeting will be excluded from the class/sectional tournament.

Awards: Team scoring will be kept at the Class / Divisional tournaments. The first and second place teams will receive sectional plaques. The top four place winners in each weight class will receive sectional patches.

Admission for Divisional Tournaments: \$5 per session. Digital Tickets [will be sold on GoFan](#).

Sectional Tournament

Seeding: The Section 6 Championship tournament will be seeded by a committee consisting of our Section and League Chairmen using the Section 6 points based seeding mechanics. No preference will be given to Divisional champions when the seeds are determined (Divisional champions might not be separated if the seeds do not call for it). **All coaches will have to complete the Section 6 seeding spreadsheet for their class tournaments by 6:00 p.m. on February 1st, 2023). It must be submitted via e-mail to Israel Martinez (Coachiz67@gmail.com).**

Alternates **will NOT be permitted to weigh-in at the Section 6 Championships, unless a qualified wrestler drops out in advance of the tournament date.** An alternate is defined as a 5th place finisher in Division 1 and a 5th place finisher in Division 2 (Class Tournaments). If any qualified wrestler is not able to compete in the Section 6 championships or does not make weight, all remaining seeds will be moved up in rank and the alternate(s) from the same division (as the wrestler(s) who cannot compete) will be entered into the state qualifier tournament. Alternates will not be seeded as they did not qualify for the Section 6 championships via the standards set by the qualifying process. Any alternates who enter the Section 6 championships will be placed as the lowest ranked seed(s) on the bracket. If there is more than one alternate, a blind draw will determine their final placement on the bracket.

Competition: Any wrestler who loses in the round of 16 at the State Qualifier Tournament is eliminated from competition. **Wrestle-backs will begin with the losers of the round of 8. We will wrestle to 6th places.**

True second place match: The top 2 place finishers from both of our State Qualifying tournaments (D1 and D2) will represent their schools and Section 6 at the NYSPHSAA Individual State tournament. A true second place bout will take place during the finals (in weight class order) if the 2nd place finisher and the 3rd place finishers have not faced one another in the same State Qualifier tournament. The winner of any true second bouts will be named the actual second place finisher of the tournament. The loser of the true second bout will be named the 3rd place finisher of the tournament. Any wrestler who forfeits from a true second match will be considered the loser and will be named the 3rd place finisher. (New as of 2020-21)

To allow any participants involved in a true second match equal time for recovery, all finals matches (1st-2nd, 3rd-4th) will take place on two mats; side by side. Any true second matches that have to be contested will take place in weight class order at the beginning of the second round of any finals matches that may have to be contested.

No team scoring is kept at the Individual State Qualifier Tournament.

Cancellation and Rescheduling Policy

Section VI Divisional & Individual Sectional Wrestling Tournaments

1. Divisional and Section VI Tournaments will be canceled if:
 - a) The host school is closed and not available for use. OR
 - b) Five or more schools are not allowed to participate because of bad weather.

If the Divisional Tournament is canceled on Friday:
The Tournament will become a one-day tournament beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday. The rulebook will be used to determine team points and places in the event that wrestlers have already competed in five bouts that day

If the Tournament is held on Friday but canceled on Saturday because of either items #1 or #2, the four semi-finalists and all pre-approved medical wildcards will advance to the Sectional Tournament.

If the Divisional Tournament is canceled on both Friday and Saturday, the top four seeds in Division 1 and the top 5 seeds in Division 2 (updated 2-3-22) and pre-approved medical wildcards will advance to the Sectional Tournament.

If the Divisional Tournament is a conducted but a school is unable to attend and participate because of bad weather, any wrestler from that school who was seeded in the top four or a fifth seed determined by criteria #9, will be awarded a wildcard to the Sectional Tournament. ALL ENTERED wrestlers will be seeded as usual; using the current Section 6 seeding mechanics. (Language changed 2-3-22 as it was deemed out of date with current seeding practices).
2. Decisions not to participate should be made at the earliest possible time. The tournament chairman should be notified immediately so final decisions can be made and all schools notified of this decision.
3. Any school that is closed due to bad weather but is allowed to participate must provide to the tournament chairman written authorization to participate from a school administrator.
4. Please review additional Section VI requirements in the Contingency Plan below.
5. IF Sectional (State Qualifier) competition cannot be rescheduled; The top 2 seeded wrestlers will advance to state competition. A smaller scale Sectional competition may be held with only the top 4 seeds, if a site is acquired.

Contingency Plan for Sectional Competition (weather or illness)

1. Contests will be postponed only if a participating school is officially closed due to weather or illness. (Item #1 in Cancellation and Rescheduling Policy for Sectional Wrestling Tournaments takes priority)
2. It is the responsibility of the Athletic Director (or designee) to notify the Sport Chairperson that the school has been closed due to weather conditions (or illness) as soon as he/she becomes aware of such action. Officials and the media will be notified by the Chairperson (or designee).
3. In the event that a school is closed on the day its playoff contest is scheduled, the decision to participate shall rest with the District Superintendent.
4. In the event that weather conditions reverse themselves prior to game time, the game may be played with the mutual consent of the participating Athletic Directors and the approval of the Sport Chairperson.
5. When a contest is at a non-school site: If the competition facility and the roads to that destination are open, then the competition will go on as scheduled. (Item #1b in Cancellation and Rescheduling Policy for Sectional Wrestling Tournaments takes priority) If either the roads or the facility are closed, then the competition will be canceled. ***Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES is a site contracted by Section VI available for practice when a competition is canceled.***
6. The Sport Chairperson will notify the Executive Director of any postponements.
7. **PLEASE NOTE:** It is up to the individual leagues to recognize the potential for snow days, power outages, etc. that may cause cancellations and problems. The individual leagues should schedule their last league contest at least one or two days prior to the seeding meeting, allowing for a make-up league contest(s) prior to the seeding meeting if necessary. The storm in Feb. 2006 that closed schools the day before the seeding meeting bears this point out.
8. Any health or safety threat, confirmed or unconfirmed will supersede any existing policy and will be up to the discretion of the involved member schools. (approved AC 11/13/19)l.

Contingency Plan for Section 6 Wrestling Dual Championships

1. If the tournament is canceled or postponed due to unforeseen circumstances (such as weather or other reasons), we will attempt to hold the tournament the following day under the following conditions:

* Only the top four seeded teams per division will compete

* Only two rounds of wrestling will take place (semi-finals; followed by the consolation and finals at the same time) – Only 2 mats would be needed per division. If two mats per division are not available at one common site, we will make every effort to secure two separate sites per division. If only one site is available and that site cannot put down four mats, both divisions will compete in a single elimination event. The losing team from the semis that scored the most points shall be named as the 3rd place finisher. Any potential tiebreaker will follow NFHS rules.

* Only four referees are needed per Division (mat assistants for both the semis and final rounds).

*If on a Sunday, the following schedule will be followed:

Weigh-ins: Noon – 1:00 (Note: all weight classes would be plus 1 pound.)

1:30 – 3:00 (Round 1)

3:30 – (Championship and consolation final)

****If no sites are available the following day for competition and there is no more time as per NYSPHSAA guidelines, the top seeded teams will be designated as our representatives to the state dual championships.

Alternate schedule if only one site is available with fewer than 4 mats total:

Weigh-ins (Noon-1:00)

1:30 – Round 1 (Division 1 semi-finals on 2 mats) Losing team is eliminated

3:00 – Round 2 (Division 2 semi-finals on 2 mats) Losing team is eliminated

4:30 – Championship finals on 2 mats (D1 and D2)

Sportsmanship Policy

The Sportsmanship Policy is item 27 on page 105 of the [NYSPHSAA Handbook](#)

Sportsmanship Responsibility of Officials:

An official who disqualifies a coach or squad member for unsportsmanlike conduct must report the disqualification to Section VI using the **ON-LINE DQ form** in www.Arbitersports.com. This form is automatically emailed to Section VI Executive Director Mark DiFilippo. Instructions: In Arbitersports, click on the tab LISTS, then the sub-tabs FORMS. Or click here [DQ Form](#)

Sportsmanship Responsibility of Schools:

The Section VI Executive Director automatically receives an email regarding the DQ when it is submitted on-line by the official. The Executive Director will contact the school(s) involved directly eliminating the need for the incident report/DQ Response Form. Schools may file a [Sportsmanlike Hearing Request Form](#) with the Section VI Sportsmanship Chairperson through the Section VI office.

Section VI Policy on Travel to State Competition

For the complete policy click on #310 in the [Policy Manual](#)

Summary for Individual Sports

Championships to cover the following costs for state competition. The following costs for state competition

- 1) Transportation, lodging and meals for Cross Country, B&G Swim, Indoor and Outdoor Track and Bowling.
- 2) Lodging and meals for G Gymnastics, B&G Golf, B & G Tennis and Alpine Skiing
- 3) Lodging for wrestling

and will discontinue year-end reimbursement to districts for these costs.

Member schools participating in state competition will be responsible for all costs related to that participation with exception of items 1,2,3 above. Section VI responsibility for member school participation in state championships is outlined below.

Supervision:

One or more certified coaches are required to travel with the student athletes from their school and must be present on any Section VI contracted bus, where the athletes are housed, at the state competition site and all related events.

Transportation:

Individual Sports Group 1: Alpine Skiing, Rifle, Golf, Tennis, Gymnastics, Wrestling

The schools will be responsible for transporting their athletes to state competition and all associated transportation costs.

Individual Sports Group 2: Bowling, C. Country, Ind. Track, Track & Field, Swimming

- a) The Section VI office will contract bus transportation for the athletes. There are two choices for the school:
 - 1) A school may choose to have its athlete(s) travel to state competition on the Section contracted bus. The following rules apply:
 - The athlete (and coach) must use the lodging and meals if pre-arranged by the Sport chair.
 - The athlete (and coach) must remain with the Section until the completion of the athlete's competition. The athlete will not be released prior to completion of competition.
 - When competition is completed, the athlete may be released to parents/coach for return home on alternate transportation if the Section release form is completed before the state meet
 - 2) A school may choose to have its athlete(s) travel to state competition in an alternate manner under the following stipulations:
 - A school that opt-outs of Section transportation will be responsible for arranging their own lodging and meals.
 - The request to opt-out of travel on the Section VI bus must be submitted in writing to the Sport chair and the Section VI office by the date specified in the sport handbook.
 - The school must submit all required release forms to the Sport chair by the specified date.
 - The school must arrange for the athlete to rendezvous with the Sport chair (or designee) at a pre-designated time and place prior to the competition.
- b) Transportation expenses will be billed to Section VI.
- c) Section VI will apply to the NYSPHSAA for the allowed reimbursement of \$1.35 per mile on the state grid.

Lodging:

Individual Sports: The Sport chair will be responsible for reserving a block of rooms for all athletes (4 per room). The block will include rooms for coaches (2 per room) for individual sports in Group 1 (see 310.2). For individual sports in Group 2, the block will be increased by 50% to allow for coaches. (e.g.: If XC needs a block of 40 rooms for athletes and supervisors, they will now reserve a block of 60 rooms) When the qualifiers have been determined, the Sport chair will register all athletes and coaches who are using Section transportation from the block of reserved rooms. Schools that opt-out of Section transportation are responsible for registering their own athletes and coaches. They may register for the remaining rooms in the reserved block until the rooms are exhausted or choose their own lodging. Schools will be responsible for the cost of athletes' meals at state competition with the exceptions indicated in item 1,2,3 above for above.

Meals:

Schools will be responsible for the cost of athletes' meals at state competition with the exceptions indicated in item 1,2,3 above for above. For some individual sports, the Section will facilitate meal handling by paying meal expenses and invoicing the schools per participating athlete. This plan, if used, will be listed in the sport handbook.

SECTION VI – NYSPHSAA

Sportsmanship Philosophy & Code of Conduct Philosophy

1. We believe that interscholastic athletics is an important part of education and support the ideals and values embodied in good sportsmanship.
2. We believe that sportsmanlike behavior is essential if interscholastic competition is to contribute usefully and constructively to the broad goals of education and to the quality of life of those involved.
3. We pledge ourselves individually and collectively to encourage and support the development and maintenance of a sportsmanlike atmosphere for athletic competition.

Code of Conduct

1. A genuine interest in and enjoyment of interscholastic competition requires conduct that reflects the understanding that contests as a part of an overall school program are intended to be enjoyed. Behavior that reflects a winning at all cost attitude violates this standard.
2. Interscholastic competition provides valuable lessons and learning experiences that are not possible in the regular classroom setting. All involved must support the need to develop the ability to compete with enthusiasm and to accept winning with grace and losing with dignity.
3. Coaches, players, and fans should know that participation is an honor and privilege which requires them to conduct themselves in a manner that brings honor and pride to their school and community.
4. Respect for the cultural and ethnic diversity of one's opponents, their school, and community is a fundamental tenet of wholesome athletic competition. This standard suggests that planned activity is needed to demonstrate a warm and friendly welcome, mutual respect, and a genuine readiness to participate in a sportsmanlike manner.
5. Players should demonstrate both knowledge of the rules and respect for game officials and their decisions. Coaches and school officials have the responsibility to teach and encourage these attributes.

******* Sportsmanship Statement Reminder *******

The following statement will be read over the public address system just prior to the pledge to the flag. If there is no public address system, the statement will be read to both teams by the site chairperson or his representative:
“Welcome to Section VI (name of sport). Athletic competition can provide everyone with a sense of accomplishment and pride, if all of us - players, coaches and spectators - abide by the rules of good conduct. We ask that you enjoy the performance of our outstanding athletes in a spirit of sportsmanship and appreciation of competition.

NYSPHSAA MINIMUM WEIGHT ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

PARENTAL PERMISSION FORM/SKIN DISORDER FORM

Copy of the state form pasted in this book https://nysphsaa.org/documents/2021/10/26/Parent_Awareness_Form.pdf

The appropriate and healthful control of body weight for wrestlers has been a concern of athletes, coaches, athletic trainers, school physicians, and parents for a number of years. Approximately one-third of wrestlers have used inappropriate weight loss procedures to obtain a lower body weight for wrestling. Regardless of the educational information from national, state and local athletic organizations, unhealthy weight loss procedures continued.

Medical concerns for the wrestlers, and the success of other state associations' programs to determine minimum wrestling weight, resulted in the NYSPHSAA governing board approving a Wrestling Weight Certification Program in April 1996. This action was taken after fifteen years of review and study by the Association, which involved the Safety and Research Committee and the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee.

The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Minimum Weight Certification Program became mandatory for all member high school wrestling programs, commencing with the 1997-98 wrestling season. The Program is based on two components, assessment of wrestlers to establish a minimum weight at which each athlete will be allowed to compete and nutrition education to promote healthy eating patterns and improved athletic performance. Please visit the National Wrestling Coaches Association website (www.nwcaonline.com) for more information.

Schools must follow the provisions of the Wrestling Minimum Weight Certification Program for all wrestlers in varsity and junior varsity programs. Minimum wrestling weight is based upon 7% body fat for males and 14% for females. The minimum wrestling weight is not established as the athlete's best weight, but rather the minimum weight at which the athlete will be allowed to compete.

STEPS OF PROCESS: Urinalysis, Height, InBody Scale

1. Wrestler will provide a sample of urine to test for hydration. If the specific gravity of urine is above 1.025, testing cannot continue and testing must be rescheduled after 24 hours has lapsed.
2. Wrestler's height will be taken.
3. Wrestler will step on the InBody Scale to determine actual weight and the percent of body fat.

Minimum weight assessment, including urinalysis, may be completed only by health care professionals who have successfully completed the NYSPHSAA's Wrestling Minimum Weight Assessor's Workshop. **An athlete found to have cheated in the hydration test process will be ineligible to compete in wrestling for the season.**

APPEAL PROCEDURE:

A wrestler may appeal his/her certification. Appeals may not be done on the same day as the original assessment. They are to be conducted on day one, two or three after the original assessment - three consecutive calendar days (count Sundays, holidays and days school is closed). If the 3rd day the school is closed due to an emergency the wrestler may appeal on the 4th day only. Appeal procedures must be completed prior to any competition. ALL COSTS INCURRED ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT/ATHLETE. The appeal must be completed three days after the date of the original assessment. Student/Athlete will have a choice between the original assessment result or the appeal result. There is no longer step 2 of the appeal process (Hydrostatic testing).

I, the parent/guardian of _____ have read the information above and I am aware of the minimum weight assessment process.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Student-Athlete Signature _____ Date _____

Failure to have a signed copy on-file does not excuse the student-athlete from the assessment process and/or related penalties. The School's Athletic Director is to keep a copy on-file until the season is complete.

WEIGHT CERTIFICATION INFORMATION FOR 2022

Albion HS - Thursday, Nov 17, Start Time 2:45; Make-ups Nov.19 (schedule w/Karen) or after NF site completes regularly scheduled appointments.

Falconer HS- Friday November 18, Start Time 2:45: Make-up/Challenge Jamestown H.S. Arrange- Last day to Challenge/Make up for this date: November 21.

Cheektowaga HS- Saturday November 19, Start Time 8:00 a.m. Make-up/Challenges arrange with Mike Pilato. Last day to Challenge/Make up for this date: November 22

Niagara Falls HS Field house- Saturday November 19. Start Time 12:00. Make-up/Challenge will be at NFHS Nov 21 (or arranged with assessor from list) Last day to Challenge/Make up for this date: November 22.

Olean HS- Monday November 21, Start Time 3:30 Make-up/Challenges at Portville November 23 from 4-5:30 Mike Debarbieri (Due to the proximity to Thanksgiving, this is last day for challenges for this site.

Fourteen day initial certification period is November 14-28th. No certs after December 23

Team location, certification time and list of assessors who are eligible to certify wrestlers is below.

ALL ROSTERS MUST BE ENTERED INTO TRACK WRESTLING 2 DAYS PRIOR TO YOUR CERTIFICATION DATE. Print weight certification profile forms from Track Wrestling. Every wrestler must have a profile sheet with them on the day of certifications. If an athlete is not listed on your Track Wrestling roster, he/she will be certified after all teams in your time slot are scheduled (we do not want to delay the process).

Please report as close as possible to your scheduled time. Late or Early arrivals will be slotted when a gap between teams becomes available.

Please remind your athletes to:

- Urinate at least once before certification to flush the old urine from their bladder, which will almost always show “dehydrated”

-Check with his or her physician to make sure medication will not interfere with the test. If so, they must have a note saying so or we can't pass them

Reminder: All persons found to have cheated will lose eligibility for the entire season.

***All wrestlers must wear a t-shirt and shorts or a singlet when stepping on the scale for weight certifications.**

A separate bathroom will be used for specific gravity testing. Wrestlers not passing the specific gravity return to the waiting area. Those passing are directed through the rest of the process.

School Trips, Vacations, etc are not reasons to miss your team certification time. If this is the case, you must get a waiver from the sectional chair to be certified. A second dehydration failure will result in referral to a physician. Only ONE challenge allowed. Computer program will automatically choose the lowest weight.

Challenges and new certifications- Athlete is responsible for payment! \$2 (dehydration test and fail), \$10 (pass dehydration test with subsequent InBody test) at the time of the second testing. Payment must be on hand or the assessment will not take place.

SCHEDULE

ALBION SITE (Nov 17) – updated 10/28

Albion 2:45, Medina 3:30, RH/Barker 4:00, Newfane 4:30, Wilson 5:00, Akron 5:30

CHEEKTOWAGA SITE (Nov. 19)

Cheektowaga and Sweet Home	8:00
Pioneer	8:00
Clarence	8:00
Amherst	8:20
Maryvale	8:20
Tonawanda	8:20
Williamsville South	8:40
Orchard Park	8:40
Hamburg / Eden	8:40
Lake Shore	9:00
Lancaster	9:00
Alden (no program)	
West Seneca West/East/Depew	9:00
Frontier	9:20
East Aurora /Holland	9:20
Lackawanna	9:20
Iroquois	9:40
Eden (merged w/Hamburg)	
Health Sciences Charter	9:40
Williamsville North/East	10:00

Falconer Site (Nov 18)

Falconer / Cass Valley	2:45
Jamestown	3:00
Southwestern	3:15
Randolph	3:30
Frewsburg	3:45
Maple Grove	4:00
Catt / Little Valley / PV	4:15

NIA. FALLS HS Field House (Nov 19)

Niagara Falls	12:00
Lockport	12:00
N. Tonawanda	12:00
Niagara Wheatfield	12:30
Lew-Port	12:30
Ken-Ton	12:30
Grand Island	1:00
Starpoint	1:00
CSAT	1:00

Olean Site (Nov. 21)

Olean / All. Limestone	3:30
Portville	3:45
Franklinville	4:00
Salamanca	4:15
Bolivar-Richburg	4:30

Falconer Site (cont.)

Chaut Lake / Panama / West	4:30
Dunkirk / Silver Creek	4:45
Gowanda	5:00
Fredonia	5:15
Springville	5:30

Approved Assessors for Certification

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Updated list will be posted on NYSPHSAA.org under Wrestling.

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SECTION 6 POST SEASON WRESTLING TOURNAMENTS 2022-23 Individual SEEDING MECHANICS

Wrestlers will earn seeding points in three categories, winning percentage, placement points and competition points, as follows:

Winning Percentage

Wrestlers earn points in this category by dividing their number of wins by their total number of matches. This percentage is then multiplied by 100 to determine the number of points. **Example:** Record is 20-5, take 20 divided by 25 to get .80. (x 100 gives the wrestler 80 points)

Wrestlers must have **20 or more matches in order to receive the full value of their winning percentage points. Wrestlers with 10-19 matches will receive 75% of their winning percentage points. Wrestlers with fewer than 10 matches will receive only 50% of their winning percentage points.*

Placement Points

Wrestlers earn placement points for placing at States or Section 6 the previous year AND for winning Class Sectionals during the current year. For Class tournament seeding, the top 3 returning place finishers also earn place points (none from 20-21).

Placement points will be awarded to wrestlers that placed at either the NYS or Section 6 tournament in 2022 according to the following tables (take the higher of 2 values)

*NYS Placement Points previous year		
NYS Place Finish	Points	Going up 2+ wt. classes
1	120	110
2	110	100
3	100	90
4	90	80
5	80	70
6	70	60
7	65	55
8	60	50

*Section 6 Placement Points (previous year)		
Section 6 Place Finish	Points	Going up 2+ wt. classes
1	50	40
2	40	30
3	30	20
4	20	10
5	10	5
6	5	3
7	5	1
8	2	1

Class Sectional Placement Points		
(From last Year)		(This year)
Place	Points	Points
1st	10	10
2nd	8	
3rd	5	

*A Wrestler can only use the highest point value from these two categories (NYS and Section Placement points)

Class Sectional Placement Points

(Previous season's points for Class seeding / Current season for Sectional seeding)

Note: Only the winner of this year's class tournament will be awarded the Class Bonus points.

Competition Points

Wrestlers earn competition points by defeating wrestlers that placed at the State Tournament or Section 6 tournament the previous season.

*Only the **highest** point value is to be used per wrestler.

The **maximum number of times that a wrestler can earn points by the defeating the same wrestler is **2 (twice)**.

Points earned by defeating a NYS place finisher from the previous year		Points earned by defeating a Section 6 place finisher from the previous year)	
Place Finish	Points	Place Finish	Points
1st	40	1st	12
2nd	34	2nd	10
3rd	30	3rd	8
4th	26	4th	6
5th	22	5th	4
6th	18	6th	2
7th/8th	16/14	7th/8th	1

Procedure I: Initial Point Ranking

1. Returning sectional champions from the previous year only (regardless of the weight class in which they competed in the previous year) will automatically be placed as the first seed and remain in the top position, unless another seedable wrestler in the weight class can jump him during the seeding process. If there is more than one returning sectional champion in the weight class, they will be initially ranked by point totals prior to the beginning of the (head to head) seeding process.
2. All remaining wrestlers will be listed in rank order from the wrestler with the highest number of points to the wrestler with the lowest number of points.
3. Protected Wrestlers: Any wrestler who is undefeated and whose initial point value ranks them in the Top 6 will be considered protected wrestlers. They will keep their position on the board and they can only be jumped by another undefeated wrestler.
4. Seeding: In both D1 and D2, all eligible wrestlers will be seeded; 1-8 and 1-10 respectively. Wrestlers who are not eligible for a seed will be drawn in to open lines where applicable.

Procedure II Head-To-Head Competition

1. Defaults and Disqualifications count as a head to head win. Note: A match that has started and results in a loss via an injury default, disqualification, etc. will count as a head to head advantage for the winning wrestler. Matches won via a forfeit do not give the winning wrestler a head to head advantage for seeding (a wrestler winning a match via a forfeit will be awarded any competition points that are due).
2. We will start the head-to-head evaluation with the wrestler who has the highest number of points from Procedure I. The second-ranked wrestler has the first opportunity to advance on head-to-head competition over the top-ranked wrestler. The third-ranked wrestler follows and so forth in the order of Procedure I rank. However, a wrestler may not move over an opponent to whom he has lost.
3. If a wrestler has a win over another wrestler ranked higher but has been defeated by someone else that is ranked between them, the lower ranked wrestler will be moved to the spot directly behind the wrestler to whom he has lost. (ex #6 beat #1 but lost to #2, #6 moves to #3 as long as they have not lost to #3, #4, and #5). If there are multiple wrestlers blocked by the same person, they would be placed behind the block in rank order by points.
4. In head-to-head situations where both opponents have an equal amount of wins-losses against each other (1-1, 2-2 etc), the wrestler with the highest initial point ranking total will get the better seed.
5. Where opponents met an odd number of times, the wrestler with the best record in these matches will receive the better seed. The wrestler with the worse record will move up to his block. For example: Wrestler A is 1-2 vs Wrestler B. Wrestler A will move directly behind Wrestler B if no other wrestlers block him from moving. In other words, Wrestler A is given credit for the win (even though he has 2 losses against B). He therefore, moves directly behind the block (which in this case, is wrestler B). If there are multiple wrestlers blocked by the same wrestler, they will be listed in rank order behind the blocker.
6. This will establish the seeding order.

Procedure III Bracket Development

Once the seeding order has been determined the wrestlers will be placed into the brackets and all non-seeded wrestlers will be randomly drawn in. If first round losers are to be eliminated, the top 4 seeds will receive byes.

If a wrestler scratches from the Sectional Tournament:

If a wrestler who scratches was seeded in Top 7 (D1) or Top 9 (D2), the remaining seeded wrestlers will be rotated upward to take the spot of the scratched wrestler (seeds roll up to the better seed). The weight class will NOT be re-seeded. If the wrestler who scratches was not seeded, the line they were on will become a Bye before the weigh-in and a Forfeit after the weigh-in.

Tiebreaker for total points for initial rank will be the win/loss point totals earned (winning percentage). If needed, second tiebreaker will be most Placement points from State, Section, Class etc. Coin flip will be the final tiebreaker after all Class tournament placements are exhausted.

Note: If a seeding scenario is encountered, that is not covered by the Section 6 seeding mechanics, the NYSPHSAA seeding mechanics will be used to address the issue. Otherwise, the seeding committee (or coaches at the class tournament) will vote on the seeding issue at hand.

Section 6 Dual Meet Championships Seeding Mechanics (2022-23)

Seeding will be based on a points system. Points will be earned through your team's record this year (wins-losses); combined with bonus points earned for beating quality opponents with quality records throughout the year. Teams will also earn points based on their 13 best wrestlers (Accomplishments from the prior season and wins for the current season). See attached table. Each League Representative will come to the seeding meeting with the criteria from each team in their league that has applied for consideration to attend the Section 6 Dual Championship.

This point system will be used to choose the 8 teams (per Division) in the tournament based on the end results of the seeding process.

Points for seeding are earned as follows:

1. Wins minus Loses. (Maximum of 8 Points can be earned)
2. Wins vs. NYS teams with winning percentage equal to or above 90%: +10pts (record as of seeding)
3. Wins vs. NYS teams with winning percentage equal to or above 80%: +5pts (record as of seeding)
4. Wins vs. NYS teams with winning percentage equal to or above 70%: +3pts (record as of seeding)
5. 13 best wrestlers' records from the current season and accomplishments from last year (maximum of 2 wrestlers in the same weight class can be listed among your top 13.

All teams will first be placed on the board in order of the number of total points they have scored. Once on the board in order of points scored, the following head-to-head criteria will then be used to seed the tournament:

1. We will start the head-to-head evaluation with the team who has the highest number of quality points from Procedure I. The second-ranked team has the first opportunity to advance on head-to-head competition over the top-ranked team. The third-ranked team follows, and so forth in the order of procedure. However, a team may not move over an opponent to whom it has lost.
2. In head-to-head situations where opponents met twice, the team with the highest total points will be ranked ahead. If these teams are tied with points, the team with the most recent win gets the advantage in ranking.
3. Where opponents met an odd number of times, the team with the best record in these matches will receive the higher seed. They can still jump to the highest available seed if they are not blocked.
4. Tie breaker criteria (If teams have the same total points).
 1. # of teams that a team defeated with a .900 winning percentage
 2. # of teams that a team defeated with a .800 winning percentage
 3. # of teams that a team defeated with a .700 winning percentage.
 4. # of Points from record (wins - losses) only

5. # of returning individuals on team who placed at Sectionals in previous year
6. # of returning individuals on team who placed at Class tournament in previous year
7. Coin flip

5. Once the teams are selected, schools will attempt to schedule a first round dual match prior to the assigned date for the Dual Championships. At that point, only the final 4 will attend the dual championships. The better seed will be the host school for the first round dual.

This will establish a new quality point ranking. Teams will be rewarded for finding the best competition and challenging their wrestlers throughout the season. Common Opponents will not be used as a criterion.

Example:

Team A: Record 24-1	+8 pts
0 wins against opponents with >80% winning percentage	+0
0 wins against opponents with >90% winning percentage	<u>+0</u>
Total	8 pts
Team B: Record 12-4	+8 pts
2 wins against opponents with >70% winning percentage	+6 pts
2 wins against opponents with >90% winning percentage	<u>+20 pts</u>
Total	34 pts
Team C: Record 9-8	+1 pt
3 wins against opponents with >80% winning percentage	+15 pts
2 wins against opponents with >90% winning percentage	<u>+20 pts</u>
Total	36 pts

Under the established Criteria Team C is listed as #1, Team B goes as #2, and Team A goes #3. *Team A, although having a great record, falls to the #3 spot because they did not prove throughout the year that they could be successful against quality opponents. Both Team B and Team C wrestled quality teams throughout the year, and while taking some loses, are rewarded for beating quality opponents throughout the year.

***** Only teams from the state of New York will be considered for bonus points. Any win your team gets will be added into the final calculation of your wins-losses.**

This is an example of a team's seeding sheet:

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6 TEAM NAME

7 **Starpoint**

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9 Enter the weight class and names of your 13 best wrestlers. No more than 2 names may be entered per weight class. Then, enter 2 points if your wrestler has 10 wins this season. Next, Enter only one point value under the blue shaded area for each wrestler.

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WT Class	WRESTLER'S NAME
102	James Leuer
110	Zach Caldwell
126	Griffin LaPlante
132	Gage LaPlante
132	Chris Updegrove
145	Peyton Lyness
172	Thomas Browne
172	Landon Grainy
215	Matt Caldwell
285	Steve Hart
145	Mike Luick
189	Joe Buscaglia
118	Jim Bagg

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WINS	LOSSES	Points from record	Bonus Points
5	0	5	10

(coaches fill in their wins-losses)
 (coaches fill in teambonus points based on quality of wins)

ENTER ONLY 1 POINT VALUE BELOW FOR EACH WRESTLER UNDER BLUE SHADED AREA

2021		LAST YEAR 2020-2021							
10 WINS THIS SEASON	DID NOT WRESTLE IN SECTIONS	Wrestled in Section did not place	6th in the Section	5th in the Section	4th in the Section	3rd in the Section	2nd in the Section	1st in the Section	Top 6 in NYS in 2019-20
2	0	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	10

* - 10 Points earned if: Placed top 6 in the State 2019-2020.

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2					5				
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2			3						
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0		1							
2									10
2						6			
0		1							

(coaches fill in one point value for having 10 wins this season)
 (coaches fill in one point value for best place finish from last year)

TOTALS	5	82	10	97
	record	roster	bonus	

Section 6 Seeding Info / Clarifications for 2023 post-season

1. **Team entry deadline is Wed, February 1st at 6:00 p.m.** Any team that does not submit their Section 6 class roster by this time **WILL NOT** be entered into the postseason. Therefore, it is imperative that all data be entered into Track Wrestling by Jan 30th to avoid this scenario. You may enter 13 total wrestlers, with a maximum of 2 in any weight class (no win-loss percentage minimums). If you have a match scheduled or a make-up match due to a weather cancellation on this date, simply inform me, then email or call me with record updates. EMAIL YOUR CLASS SEEDING SPREADSHEET TO: Coachiz67@gmail.com (for yahoo email users).
2. **Overall** records will be used in class / sectional seeding. Only wrestlers with a better than .500 win/loss record will be eligible for a seed. **All varsity matches count**; out of section, catholic, private, etc. **STARTING 2020, NO wrestlers are to be moved from a weight class once the seeding process begins for any weight class. Make all moves before the seeding of any weight class. Exception (more than 16 wrestlers in a bracket)- See number 5 below.**
3. For class seeding, placement points will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers from the prior year's tournament (10-8-5). For sectional seeding, only the current year's class champion will earn 10 bonus placement points.
4. Medical wild cards must be presented before the seeding of any weight class begins. All medical documentation must be on hand to substantiate the medical reason for the wrestler's inability to participate in the Class Tournament. That wrestler must then be seeded in the top 4 for D1 and top 5 for D2 to be granted a medical wildcard. Verify wildcards immediately; once the weight class is seeded, seeds roll. (Seed the weight class with the wildcard included. Once you are finished seeding it, remove the wildcard qualifier and roll the seeds.
5. We **cannot** have any bracket in the class tournament with more than 16 wrestlers. IF it happens: Look at any wrestlers who are the **second** entry of those schools who opted to enter 2 kids in a weight class (the wrestler with the lowest winning percentage will have to move). Allow the coaches (voluntarily) in the seeding meeting an opportunity to move the wrestler in question to another weight. IF no coach opts to move their wrestler voluntarily, then the second entry from any school with the lowest win/loss percentage will be out. **All schools have the right to only one entry per weight class. We cannot ask a school to move their starter out of the weight class even if he has a losing record; (when some schools enter 2 kids in the same weight class). If an unseeded wrestler is forced out, he may be entered into a weight class that has been closed; as long as there are fewer than 16 competitors.**
6. Procedure to follow **if** one of our top 4 seeds is eliminated at the scale due to a skin condition.
 - a. If a seeded wrestler (top 4 D1, top 5 D2) has a ***current NYSPHSAA 2022-23 legal skin note**, and it is denied by the on-site Dr. or official, that wrestler will be **considered** for a medical wildcard into the Sectionals.
 - b. If the wrestler does **not** have a legal ***NYSPHSAA 2022-23** skin note, then he is eliminated with no chance of advancing to the qualifiers (as any coach should know that any questionable skin condition must have proper documentation). **DO NOT LEAVE THIS TO CHANCE!**
7. You may refer to the "Section 6 Seeding Mechanics" on our site (www.section6.e1b.org) for details on the seeding process.