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WRESTLING
State Qualifier's
Handbook

UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

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Congratulations on your team’s advancement to the Wrestling State Tournament. This handbook has been prepared to serve as a guide to administrators and coaches and provide information about the state tournament. You will find this material valuable as you prepare for the meet and upon your arrival to the meet.

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TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

2023 UIL Wrestling State Championships

February 17-18, 2023

Berry Center: Cypress, Texas

Tournament Director. A.J. Martinez will serve as the tournament director. The tournament director and rules committee members shall rule on all state tournament wrestling rule situations.

School Packets. School packets will be available for pickup from 3:00 – 5:00 pm on Thursday, February 16th and beginning at 6:00 am, Friday, February 17th, in the Atrium of the Berry Center through Entrance 3.

Coaches' Meeting. There is a mandatory coaches' meeting on Thursday, February 16th at 4:30pm in the Theatre of the Berry Center. Specific tournament information will be covered for you at this meeting.

Coach/Trainer Credentials. Each school team (boys and girls) will be given **TWO coach wristbands**, these wristbands will be valid for access to the arena floor throughout the tournament. Trainers may request a wristband directly from A.J. Martinez or Crystal Victorino at the tournament.

Student Manager/Student Trainer Credentials. Each school team (boys and girls) will be given **ONE complimentary pass for student managers/trainers**. This pass will **not** allow arena floor access but will get them in the tournament each day. No additional passes for student managers/trainers will be given, and they must keep up with their pass to be used for both days.

Locker Rooms. There will be locker rooms for both boys and girls available. Those locker rooms will be labeled on a map included in your school packet.

Food and Drinks. Teams will be allowed to bring in food and drinks at the beginning of each day through Entrance 3 only, and up until 11:00 am. Parents can bring kids food up until 11:00 am through Entrance 3, only by meeting a coach at the entrance. There will be a pre-order box meal option for teams through the Berry Center. Flyer for those meals are on our website.

Weigh-Ins. Weigh-ins for the UIL Wrestling State Championships will be held on both the arena floor and conference room at the Berry Center (girls/boys) and in accordance with Rule 4-5 of the National Federation Wrestling Rule Book. The times for official weigh-ins are listed in the state tournament schedule. These times will not be altered or extended. Detailed information of the weigh-in procedure will be included in your school packet upon arrival. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING BAGS OR ADDITIONAL ITEMS INTO THE WEIGH-IN AREA until after weigh-ins are complete.** Pre-weigh is available in the regular weigh-in area. Girls will need to wait until boys' weigh-in is finished before going to regular weigh-in area.

- *Alternates will be weighed in!*
- *TATTOOS will be picked up at the scales for competitors*

Warm-Up Area. A warm-up area will be provided and is in conjunction with the staging area. See map for location.

Alternates. Alternates will be weighed in with the other competitors. Alternates will be placed in the bracket if the advancing wrestler is unable to attend. An advancing wrestler unable to compete due to injury, not making weight, or not being present at the start of weigh-ins can only be replaced from the alternates from his/her same qualifying tournament. An alternate not present at the start of weigh-ins for his/her respective weight class and not registered on the official weigh-in sheet cannot replace the advancing wrestler. Alternates are to be placed in the 4th qualifying position, moving other seeded wrestlers up one spot. **Each alternate will be given a complimentary pass to be used for both days.**

Athletes and coaches that have qualified for Saturday's finals are required to check-in Saturday between 4:00-4:15pm in the staging area (Atrium outside the arena) to prep for the Parade of Champions.

Team Honors. UIL will score six places for the boys and six places for the girls at the state tournament. In district, regional and state tournaments, team honors shall be determined by the National Federation scoring standards detailed in the wrestling rule book.

Awards. The top three finishers in each weight class will receive medals from the UIL. The top **THREE** teams will receive trophies. This is a special time for both athletes and coaches. All athletes need to be dressed appropriately and on time to the award ceremony.

- **Participant Attire:** sweat pants, a school logoed top/t-shirt, no headgear of any kind.

Unsportsmanlike Conduct. According to National Federation rules, all points accumulated by a wrestler who is disqualified for an unsportsmanlike conduct violation will be deducted from the team score.

Tickets. Tickets will be available for purchase online only, Monday, February 13, 2023. All Ticket Sales will be digital and link will be on the UIL Website

Ticket prices:

Day Ticket - \$15.00 per day

All-Tournament Pass - \$25.00

Coach/Official Tournament Pass - \$20.00.

Parking. Parking at the Berry Center is free. Please see attached map for parking assignments. Teams will park in lots "C" and "D" Thursday through Saturday and enter through Entrance 3.

Noisemakers/Signs. No artificial noisemakers or large signs/banners are allowed.

Wrestling State Tournament Broadcast Information. NFHS Network will provide a live webcast of the 2023 UIL Wrestling State Tournament on Feb. 17-18 from the Berry Center in Cypress, Texas.

Fans, family and alumni unable to attend the event can watch Friday and Saturday matches of the UIL Wrestling State Tournament live online with a subscription at www.nfhsnetwork.com/associations/uil. Subscribers can also watch on the go by downloading the NFHS Network app for iPhone and Android devices.

The live webcast will begin on NFHSNetwork.com on Friday, Feb. 17 at 9 a.m. CT, each mat will have an individual video stream on the NFHS Network.

2023 STATE WRESTLING COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

Thursday, Feb. 16th

| TIME | CLASS | DIVISION | ACTIVITY | LOCATION |
|---|-------|------------|--------------------------|---|
| 2:00 PM | | | THSCA Adv. Meeting | Theatre |
| 3:00 – 5:00 PM | 5A/6A | BOYS/GIRLS | Team Registration | Command Center (West Side Concourse) |
| 3:00 – 5:00 PM | 5A/6A | BOYS/GIRLS | Mat Time/Weight Check | Arena Floor |
| **4:30 Head Coaches' Meeting in Berry Center Theater | | | | |
| Officials Meeting via Zoom, Wednesday Feb. 15th | | | | |

Friday, Feb. 17th

| TIME | CLASS | DIVISION | ACTIVITY | LOCATION |
|------------------------------------|-------|----------|--|---|
| 6:00 AM | 5A/6A | ALL | Doors Open | Entrance #3 |
| 7:00 AM | 5A/6A | BOYS | Weigh-In | Line up on Arena floor by weight class; (Weigh-In Occurs in Conference Center) |
| 8:30 AM | 5A/6A | BOYS | Championship Round 1 | 5A Boys Mats 1-5; 6A Boys Mats 6-10 |
| 9:30 AM | 5A/6A | GIRLS | Weigh-In | Berry Center Atrium & Conference Center |
| 11:00 AM | 5A/6A | GIRLS | Championship Round 1 | 5A Girls Mats 1-5; 6A Girls Mats 6-10 |
| 12:45 PM Mat Cleaning/Break | | | | |
| 1:15 PM | 5A/6A | BOYS | Champ. Quarters and 1 st Rd. Cons. | 5A Boys Mats 1-5; 6A Boys Mats 6-10 |
| 3:45 PM | 5A/6A | GIRLS | Champ. Quarters and 1 st Rd. Cons. | 5A Girls Mats 1-5; 6A Girls Mats 6-10 |
| 5:30 PM | 5A/6A | BOYS | Second Round Consolation | 5A Boys Mats 1-5; 6A Boys Mats 6-10 |
| 6:45 PM | 5A/6A | GIRLS | Second Round Consolation | 5A Girls Mats 1-5; 6A Girls Mats 6-10 |

Saturday, Feb. 18th

| TIME | CLASS | DIVISION | ACTIVITY | LOCATION |
|-----------------------------------|-------|----------|--|---|
| 6:00 AM | 5A/6A | ALL | Doors Open | Entrance #3 |
| 7:00 AM | 5A/6A | BOYS | Weigh-In | Line up on Arena floor by weight class. (Weigh-In Occurs in Conference Center) |
| 8:30 AM | 5A/6A | BOYS | Champ. Semifinals and 3 rd Rd. Cons. | 5A Boys Mats 1-5; 6A Boys Mats 6-10 |
| 9:00 AM | 5A/6A | GIRLS | Weigh-In | Berry Center Atrium & Conference Center |
| 10:30 AM | 5A/6A | GIRLS | Champ. Semifinals and 3 rd Rd. Cons. | 5A Girls Mats 1-5; 6A Girls Mats 6-10 |
| 12:00 PM | 5A/6A | BOYS | Consolation Semifinals | 5A Boys Mats 1-5; 6A Boys Mats 6-10 |
| 1:00 PM | 5A/6A | GIRLS | Consolation Semifinals | 5A Girls Mats 1-5; 6A Girls Mats 6-10 |
| 2:00 PM Mat Cleaning/Break | | | | |
| 2:30 PM | 5A | BOYS | 3 rd and 5 th Place Matches | 3 rd Place Matches 3, 5 th Place Matches 2 |
| | 5A | GIRLS | 3 rd and 5 th Place Matches | 3 rd Place Matches 4, 5 th Place Matches 5 |
| | 6A | GIRLS | 3 rd and 5 th Place Matches | 3 rd Place Matches 7, 5 th Place Matches 6 |
| | 6A | BOYS | 3 rd and 5 th Place Matches | 3 rd Place Matches 8, 5 th Place Matches 9 |
| 4:15 PM | | | NFHS Coach of the Year 2020 & 2021 | Arena Floor (Reduce # of Mats) |
| 4:30 PM | | | <u>Parade of Champions</u> | Arena Floor (4 Mats) |
| 4:45 PM | 5A/6A | BOYS | Championship Matches | 5A Boys Mat 1; 6A Boys Mat 4 |
| | 5A/6A | GIRLS | Championship Matches | 5A Girls Mat 2; 6A Girls Mat 3 |

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Parking. Lots "C" and "D".

Entrance. School/Team/Coach enters through Entrance 3.

Food and Drinks. Bring through Entrance 3 with Team until 11:00 am! Parents may bring in food for kids up until 11:00 am ONLY and must bring it through Entrance 3 by meeting with the school coach at the entrance.

Weigh-In. Have athletes (qualifiers & alternates) on time and ready to go in accordance to NFHS Rules (Boys line up on Arena Floor; Girls line up in Atrium Hallway @ appropriate times).

Schedule. 10 Mats; 5A and 6A are split; Athletes will make their way to the Arena floor from the staging (warm-up room) for their matches.

Athletes. Only athletes that have their tattoo and singlet on will be allowed on the arena floor. No boy or Girl athlete will be allowed on the floor while the other gender is wrestling.

Student Trainers/Managers. They will be allowed in the atrium and warm-up areas, but they will not be allowed on the arena floor with their complimentary pass.

Coach Seating. There will be seats for coaches to sit in on the floor. During finals, all coaches without a competing wrestler should be seated in the designated coaching seats on the concourse level. (Located beneath Control Center/designated for COACHES only)

Parade of Champions. Line up in the Atrium outside the Arena Floor @ 4:00 pm.

Awards. 1st through 6th place; Start after Final Matches have begun; Have kids on time and dressed appropriately. *Parents/spectators are not permitted in the awards area.*

Rules Committee.

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Dan Lang – Rules Interpreter (281) 684-7720

CREDENTIALS AND TATTOOS

Credentials. Each school will be given 2 wristbands per team (boys and girls) for coaches. Only 2 coaches should be on the floor at one time. *Trainers (adult trainers) may request a wristband in person from A.J. Martinez or Crystal Victorino.

Tattoos (Boys & Girls). Athletes will be issued tattoos for each day at the scales for weigh-ins. If an athlete has a tattoo rub off, they can come to the UIL Office to receive a new one from A.J. Martinez or Crystal Victorino.

Temporary Tattoo Directions:

1. Skin should be clean and free of oils and makeup.
2. **Remove clear, protective top sheet.**
3. Press tattoo firmly onto clean, dry skin, with design facing down.
4. **Hold wet paper towel or cloth against back of tattoo, press down and make sure to wet it thoroughly.**
5. **Wait 30 seconds (don't hurry). Peel off paper backing.**
6. Gently rinse image with water for best effect.

TATTOOS MUST BE DISPLAYED ON THE TOP OF THE HAND.

****Warning:** Don't apply to sensitive skin or near eyes.

To Remove. Saturate tattoo with household rubbing alcohol or baby oil; wait 10 seconds, then rub away tattoo with a cotton ball OR lift tattoo from dry skin using several pieces of transparent household tape.

WEIGH-IN INFORMATION

Weigh-ins will be conducted in the conference center that is adjacent to the warm-up area. Below is a description of the format we will use for both boys and girls and will be in accordance with Rule 4-5 of the National Federation Wrestling Book. *All qualifying athletes, along with alternates, will be weighed in at the same time.*

***Mark Lyons will be the lead for the weigh-ins.**

Boys:

Weigh-in staging area: The boys will all report to the arena floor for weigh-ins. We will line up the boys by weight class, in single file, by ranking order (14 lines). We will then proceed to walk each weight class to the weigh-in area. Once a weight class is completed, we will walk the next weight class down.

Girls:

Weigh-in staging area: The girls will all report to the atrium for weigh-ins (between the arena floor and the warm-up area). We will line up the girls by weight class, in single file, by ranking order (12 lines). We will then proceed to walk each weight class to the weigh-in area. Once a weight class is completed, we will walk the next weight class down.

Weigh-Ins will be conducted at the following times:

Friday, February 17th

- 7:00 am – Boys Weigh-Ins
- 9:30 am – Girls Weigh-Ins

Saturday, February 18th

- 7:00 am – Boys Weigh-Ins
- 9:00 am – Girls Weigh-Ins

All participants must remain in the weigh-in area when weigh-ins begin.

As stated in the National Federation Rules, activities that promote dehydration are prohibited in the weigh-in area. Individuals found to be in violation of this rule will be disqualified from participation in the tournament.

*There will be a physician on site during the weigh-in.

****Caleb Malcolm, Dan Lang, and A.J. Martinez will be available for any questions/concerns pertaining to the weigh-in!**

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS/AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

Parade of Champions.

Athletes

Athletes will line up in the Atrium of the Berry Center by weight classes beginning with 5A Boys, 5A Girls, 6A Girls, 6A Boys. They will then be escorted out to the arena floor (go right) and will continue walking around the arena to their designated mat.

Coaches

Coaches will line up next to their athletes in their perspective lines. As athletes are being escorted to the right after entering the arena, coaches will go left and line up in rows along the end and wait for Parade of Champions to conclude.

Awards. Individual weight class awards according to page 10:

Once all weight classes are awarded we will move to the overall awards.

Individual:

5A Girls Outstanding Wrestler

6A Girls Outstanding Wrestler

5A Boys Outstanding Wrestler

6A Boys Outstanding Wrestler

Team: (announce teams to come to designated podium when called)

3rd Place 5A Girls

3rd Place 6A Girls

3rd Place 5A Boys

3rd Place 6A Boys

2nd Place 5A Girls

2nd Place 6A Girls

2nd Place 5A Boys

2nd Place 6A Boys

1st Place 5A Girls

1st Place 6A Girls

1st Place 5A Boys

1st Place 6A Boys

AWARDS PRESENTATION “DETAIL”

The top 6 finishers are to report to the awards area immediately and must be wearing the appropriate attire (warm-up bottoms, a school logoed top, no head gear), so please make sure your athletes are readily available. The 3rd through 6th place finishers will wait until the championship match has concluded to participate in the awards Ceremony.

4:30 pm

- Parade of Champions
- National Anthem

4:45pm – Championship Matches Begin

GIRLS (Mats 2 & 3)

100 Weight Class

107 Weight Class

114 Weight Class

AWARDS 100 WEIGHT CLASS ←

120 Weight Class

AWARDS 107 WEIGHT CLASS ←

126 Weight Class

AWARDS 114 WEIGHT CLASS ←

132 Weight Class

AWARDS 120 WEIGHT CLASS ←

138 Weight Class

AWARDS 126 WEIGHT CLASS ←

145 Weight Class

AWARDS 132 WEIGHT CLASS ←

152 Weight Class

AWARDS 138 WEIGHT CLASS ←

165 Weight Class

AWARDS 145 WEIGHT CLASS ←

185 Weight Class

AWARDS 152 WEIGHT CLASS ←

235 Weight Class

AWARDS 165 WEIGHT CLASS ←

AWARDS 185 WEIGHT CLASS ←

AWARDS 235 WEIGHT CLASS ←

BOYS (Mats 1 & 4)

106 Weight Class

113 Weight Class

120 Weight Class

AWARDS 106 WEIGHT CLASS

126 Weight Class

AWARDS 113 WEIGHT CLASS

132 Weight Class

AWARDS 120 WEIGHT CLASS

138 Weight Class

126 WEIGHT CLASS

144 Weight Class

AWARDS 132 WEIGHT CLASS

150 Weight Class

AWARDS 138 WEIGHT CLASS

157 Weight Class

AWARDS 144 WEIGHT CLASS

165 Weight Class

AWARDS 150 WEIGHT CLASS

175 Weight Class

AWARDS 157 WEIGHT CLASS

190 Weight Class

AWARDS 165 WEIGHT CLASS

215 Weight Class

AWARDS 175 WEIGHT CLASS

285 Weight Class

AWARDS 190, 215, 285 WEIGHT CLASS

GIRLS COACH OF THE YEAR

BOYS COACH OF THE YEAR

5A GIRLS OUTSTANDING WRESTLER

6A GIRLS OUTSTANDING WRESTLER

5A BOYS OUTSTANDING WRESTLER

6A BOYS OUTSTANDING WRESTLER

GIRLS TEAM TROPHIES

BOYS TEAM TROPHIES

- We will begin awards after 3 weight classes have wrestled
- 1ST through 6th place awarded with medals (1st – 3rd “U.I.L.”, 4th – 6th “W.A.”)
- Trophies and Plaques will be awarded once all weight classes have been awarded

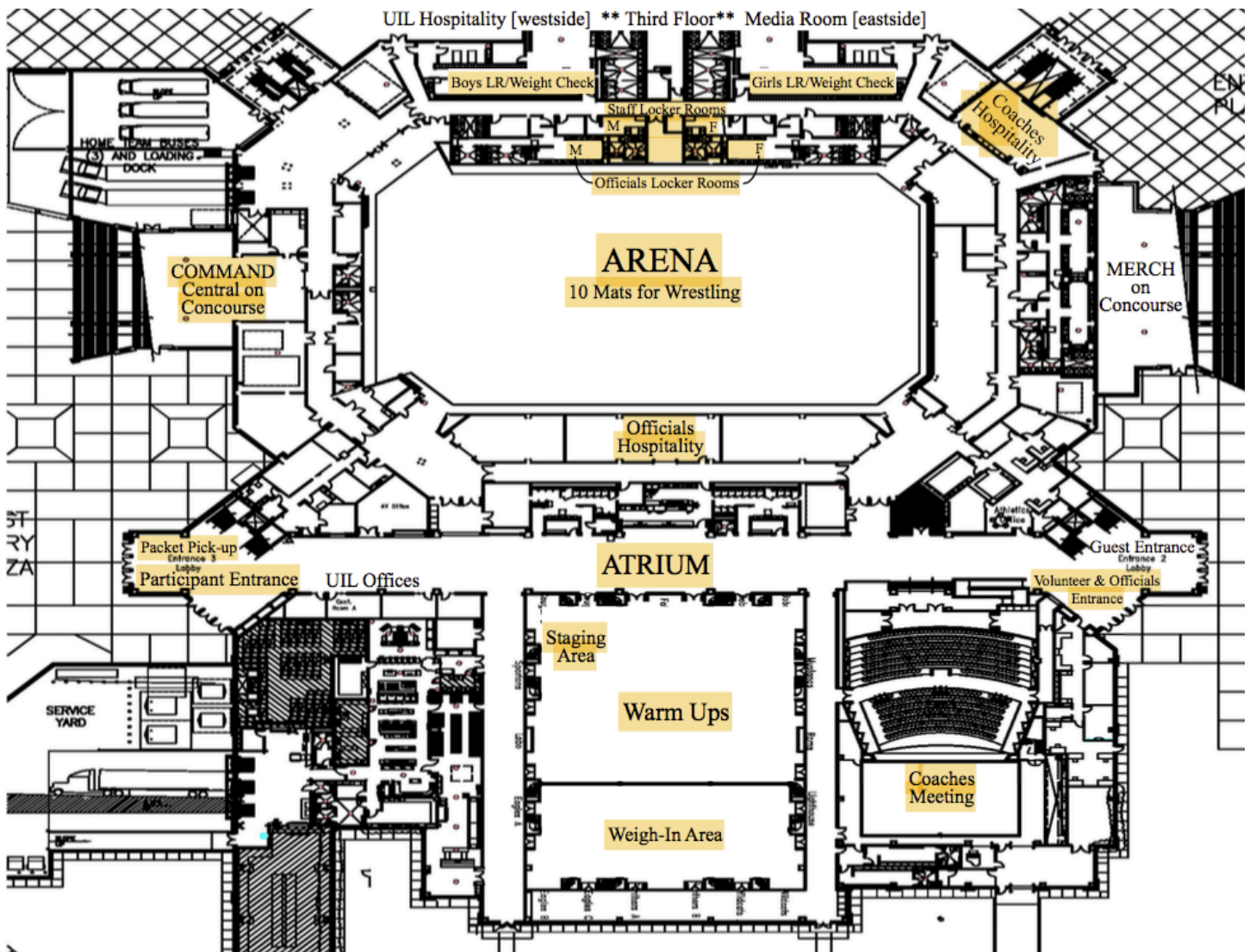
PARKING AND ENTRANCE MAP

Team Parking: Lot D
Team Entrance: Entrance Three

Spectator Parking: Lots A and B
Spectator Entrance: Entrance Two



BERRY CENTER LAYOUT



ARENA FLOOR

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