TO: **High School Wrestling Coaches** 

FROM: Todd Goolsby, Assistant

RE: 2020 Regional Wrestling Tournament Information

DATE: January 16, 2020

Included with this cover letter you will find your 2020 Regional Tournament information, regional wrestling tournament sites, a regional wrestling verification form, regional seeding memo, regional tentative line-up form, sample copy of the third place regional tournament finisher option form.

The dates for the Regional Wrestling Tournaments are February 21-22, 2020.

Weigh-in time for Friday, February 21 and Saturday, February 22 will begin at 9:00 a.m. There will not be a weigh-in Friday night after the second session.

The first session for regional tournament wrestling will begin on Friday, February 21 at 11:00 a.m. and the second session on Friday at 5:00 p.m. The sessions for Saturday, February 22 will begin at 11:00 a.m. and at 4:00 p.m.

General information for the Regional Tournament:

- 1. The regional wrestling verification form must be completed and the alpha master list shall be provided to the tournament manager upon arrival at the regional site for the seeding meeting. Any school failing to provide the regional verification form and alpha master list shall not be allowed to participate in the regional tournament.
- 2. The semi-finals shall be wrestled on Friday night.

First Session: Friday, 11 a.m.

Championship – 1<sup>st</sup> Round and Quarterfinals

Consolation – 1st Round

Second Session: Friday, 5:00 p.m.

Championship – Semifinals Consolation – 2<sup>nd</sup> Round

Third Session: Saturday, 11 a.m.

Consolation – Quarterfinals, Semifinals Fourth Session: Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Championship finals, consolation finals, and 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> place matches wrestled simultaneously on three mats.

3. Seeding criteria will be as follows:

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- a. Head to Head Competition. If two wrestlers have split wins (one-one, two-two, etc.) during the season, the wrestler who won the last match will be given the seed.
- b. Record against common opponents.
- c. Returning state champion from the previous year.
- d. Returning state placer from the previous year.
- e. Returning regional champion or runner-up at the same weight from the previous year.
- f. Returning top four regional placer at any weight from the previous year.
- g. Coaches vote.
- 4. Two regional tournaments will be held in each class, with the top five finishers in each weight classification qualifying for the state tournament.
- 5. In the regional tournament a consolation match for fifth and sixth place will be wrestled.
- 6. Team points for 5th and 6th place will be given but no individual medals will be awarded.
- 7. Sixth place winners will qualify for the state tournament if one of the top five (1-5) regional place-winners cannot participate because of an injury, illness, academic ineligibility, flagrant misconduct disqualification, etc. It is the coaches/schools responsibility to immediately notify the Activities Association if one of their wrestlers cannot compete in the state tournament due to injury, illness, academic ineligibility, flagrant misconduct disqualification, etc. The OSSAA will then notify the coach or school of the sixth place regional winner in that weight class and that wrestler will compete in the state tournament. Coaches who fail to notify the Activities Association immediately after learning one of their wrestlers cannot compete in the state tournament will be assessed a penalty by the OSSAA Board of Directors and possibly forfeit their right to coach in the state tournament. (Note: A sixth place regional winner will not replace one of the top five (1-5) regional place-winners who fails to make weight at the first weigh-in of the state wrestling tournament.)
- 8. On the state tournament bracket at a non-option weight, if one of the regional placers (1-5) cannot participate due to academic ineligibility, injury, illness, flagrant misconduct disqualification, etc., each contestant will move up one place (unless the coach chooses not to) from that regional and insert the sixth place qualifier in the fifth place or open slot.
- 9. On the state tournament bracket at a option weight, if one of the regional placers (1-5) cannot participate due to academic ineligibility, injury, illness, flagrant misconduct disqualification, etc., each contestant will move up one place (unless the coach chooses not to) from that regional and insert the sixth place qualifier in the third place or open slot. The fourth place option qualifier would stay on the bracket where he chose. If the fourth place option qualifier is the contestant that needs to be replaced, the wrestler who originally placed fourth from that regional would move back from the third place slot to the fourth place slot. Each contestant would then move up one place (unless the coach chooses not to) from that regional and insert the sixth place qualifier in the fourth place or open slot.
- 10. Regional tournament brackets: When the number of competitors is not a power of 2, that is 4, 8, and 16, there shall be byes in the first round. The number of byes shall be equal to the difference between the number of competitors and the next higher power of 2 (Exception: When the number of competitors is more than sixteen, a sixteen man bracket shall be used with pigtail bracketing). There shall be no byes after the first round of competition in the championship or consolation bracket, and no further drawing is necessary for championship or consolation rounds.

When byes are required for the first round, they shall be placed by mutual consent or drawn so they are distributed evenly throughout the bracket. No quarter-bracket or half-bracket shall have more than one bye in excess of its paired bracket. After seeded wrestlers have been placed on the bracket and the byes drawn, remaining wrestlers shall be placed by draw. **Note**: In a sixteen man bracket where pigtail bracketing is required, wrestlers in all pigtail matches including consolation pigtail matches will not receive advancement points but will receive bonus points. When pigtail bracketing is required, all wrestlers shall have an opportunity to be drawn for pigtail matches.

- 11. On the first day of the regional and state tournament, wrestlers must make the following weights: 108, 115, 122, 128, 134, 140, 147, 154, 162, 172, 184, 197, 222, and 287.
- 12. The consolation semi-finals at Regionals and State will be a 2-2-2 match.

- 13. Information concerning the regional seeding meeting and conducting the first weigh-in is enclosed in this mailout.
- 14. Enclosed is a sample option form for the third place finisher at the regional tournaments. Option forms will be located at the scorer's table. The third place finishers must make their decision as soon as their WEIGHT CLASSIFICATION IS FINISHED if the wrestler is choosing to wrestle the number <u>five</u> <u>qualifier in the wrestle in match. The winner of the wrestle in match would then be placed into the bracket versus the number one qualifier, instead of the number two qualifier in the state tournament. The loser of the wrestle in match is eliminated from further competition.</u>
- 15. During the regional tournament, the on-site tournament physician (if a site has contracted with one) will have the final authority in determining an individual's participation. (Exception: A current (within seven days of the event) OSSAA skin disease form complying with National Federation Rule 4-2-3 will take precedent over the evaluation of an onsite physician.)
- 16. A maximum of two sponsors and a maximum of twelve cheerleaders and mat maids combined will be admitted free to dual state, regionals, and the individual state tournament. No exceptions.

**NOTE:** Do not forget the application for academic achievement award is due at the Activities Association, February 17, 2020. The application is located on the website at <a href="www.ossaa.com/forms">www.ossaa.com/forms</a>. The certified minimum weight list form for wrestlers in both high school and junior high is due January 29, 2020. Please mail this form to the OSSAA office and or fax it.

#### January 9, 2020

### **2020 OSSAA Regional Wrestling Tournament Sites**

Team assignments will be released Friday, February 7, 2020 on the OSSAA website (www.ossaa.com)

Regional Wrestling Tournament Dates: February 21-22, 2020

Class 6A at Westmoore High School – Manager: Zach Bice, A.D.

Class 6A at Broken Arrow High School – Manager: Steve Dunn, A.D.

Class 5A at El Reno High School – Manager: Rodney Haydon, A.D.

Class 5A at Glenpool High School – Manager: Brandon Earp, A.D.

Class 4A at Tuttle High School – Manager: Scott Moore, A.D.

Class 4A at Bristow High School - Manager: Floyd Robinson, A.D.

Class 3A at Geary High School – Manager: Todd Glasgow, A.D.

Class 3A at Vinita High School – Manager: Allen Forrest, A.D.

## 2019-2020 OSSAA REGIONAL WRESTLING VERIFICATION FORM

		DATE AND SITE OF WEIGH-INS (List tournament weigh-ins separately on this form)															
RESTLERS	Weight Classification	LIST THE WEIGHT CLASSIFICATION IN THE BOX IN WHICH THE WRESTLER ACTUALLY WEIGHED-IN													Certificatio Weight		
	106																
	113																
	120																
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This form must be signed by both the coach and principal and given to the regional tournament manager at the seeding meeting. Inaccurate information could cause a student to be ineligible for the regional wrestling tournament.

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Assistants : Amy Cassell - Mike Plunkett - David Glover - Todd Goolsby - Grant Gower

**TO:** Wrestling Coach

FROM: Todd Goolsby, Assistant

**RE:** Regional Seeding Meeting

**DATE:** January 9, 2020

The regional seeding meeting will be held Thursday, February 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the regional site you are assigned. Coaches should be at the meeting site by 6:15 p.m. to insure a 6:30 p.m. start.

Enclosed is a tentative regional line-up sheet. Please fax or mail this form to the regional site. This must be received at the host site no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 19, 2020. This is only a tentative line-up to help the regional manager put names in the computers, develop a weigh-in sheet, speed up the seeding meeting, etc.

When you arrive at the seeding meeting, the tournament director will give you a line-up of all fourteen weights and each school's wrestler that was sent in on their tentative line-up sheet. When the seeding meeting begins, the tournament director or designee shall begin with the 106 pound weight class. He will ask the coaches at this time if there are any changes from the line-up you have in front of you. If so, coaches may make changes at this time. After all changes are made, the weight class is closed and you proceed with seeding the 106 pound weight class. This format is to be used for the remaining weight classes.

If a coach chooses to not attend the regional seeding meeting, he shall mail or fax his regional verification form and alpha master list to the tournament manager prior to the seeding meeting. His tentative line-up sheet that was previously sent will be his line-up and no changes will be allowed. Any seeding information on wrestlers will also need to be sent to the tournament director.

## Regional brackets are to be drawn during the seeding meeting Thursday night and a copy given to each head coach.

If a wrestler does not make weight or is a no-show, he will be eliminated from the regional tournament and cannot be replaced. The following will happen:

- 1. If it is a non-seeded wrestler, a bye will be put in his place.
- 2. If it is a seeded wrestler, all wrestlers will move up one spot and the bye will be placed in the last seeded position.
- 3. If in number one and two above, the placing of the byes creates a bracket where the byes are <u>not</u> evenly distributed throughout the bracket or the quarter-bracket or half-bracket has more than one bye in excess of its paired bracket, the bracket will be redrawn. The seeds on the bracket will remain the same and the rest of the bracket will be redrawn.

The regional verification form and alpha master list shall be given to the tournament director upon arrival at the site for the seeding meeting.

If you have any questions, please call.

## 2019-2020 Tentative Regional Line-up

# Name of Participant School Coach's Signature Yes, I will be attending the Regional seeding meeting. No, I will <u>not</u> be attending the Regional seeding meeting.

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## THIRD PLACE REGIONAL FINISHER NOTE: Do Not Complete This Form Unless You Are Choosing To Wrestle Against The #5 Regional Finisher

I am choosing to wrestle the #5 in the wrestle in round instead of the #2 qualifier in the first round of the State Wrestling Tournament. The winner would then be placed onto the bracket versus the #1 Regional Finisher. The loser of the wrestle in match is eliminated from further competition.

(Contestant)		
(Coach)		
Regional Held At		
	Weight	
	(Coach)	(Coach)

NOTE: This option will not be valid unless it is turned into the <u>scorer's table</u> after the match or immediately following the finish of their weight classification.