

October 1, 2020

Memorandum

To: OSSAA Wrestling Schools
From: Todd Goolsby, Assistant Director
RE: Girls Wrestling

During the 2020-21 school year Girls Wrestling in Oklahoma will officially become sanctioned. The OSSAA will host a Girls State Championship in conjunction with the Boys State Championship on February 26 and 27, 2021.

Implementation of Girls Wrestling: The OSSAA will implement a transition period that will allow girls the option of participating on either the boys team or girls team during the regular season. They may not represent both teams in any given competition. **From the start of implementation, the girls MUST participate in girl's postseason events.** Girls competing in wrestling must represent their school as an individual or they may be on a school team. Girls practices may be held separately from boys, or a combined team practice that includes both boys and girls may be chosen. How a school organizes their practices will be controlled locally.

Contest Limits: The OSSAA will allow schools to have tournaments or dual meets that are boys-only, girls-only or both. If a school host a tournament or dual meet consisting of a boys' division and a girls' division, girls must choose one or the other. They may not compete in both. Girls-only regular season events will be considered for seeding purposes at the regional tournament and will count towards the individual's 26-point season limitations. All two-day tournaments equal 3 points, all one-day tournaments equal 2 points, and all dual meet competitions equal 1 point per dual.

Girls must follow all NFHS and OSSAA wrestling rules and policies to be eligible to compete with the exception of weight classes. For girl's tournaments or dual meets, the following weight classes must be used.

Weight Classes:

100, 107, 112, 118, 127, 136, 147, 161, 185, 215

All female wrestlers must be certified prior to first competition (including opens) via OPC in Trackwrestling.com. Weight descent plans must be followed!

The OSSAA will host two Girls' Regional Qualifiers. These qualifiers will take place on Monday, February 15 and Tuesday, February 16. One qualifier will be held on the east side of the state and one qualifier will be held on the west side of the state. The top five qualifiers at each weight class will advance to the State Tournament. The State Tournament will be held at the State Fairgrounds in Oklahoma City on Friday, February 26 and Saturday, February 27. Additional information will be disseminated as necessary throughout the season.

Thank You,

Todd Goolsby