

Information Note #8 – Week of 2/24/25

Practice Schedule Reminders/Changes

Reminder that practices this week have been changed to the following:

Monday (2/24) – Normal Practice times

Tuesday (2/25) – Wrestle-offs for Huskerland Dual Teams (Boys 3rd-5th, Boys 6th-8th & Girls K-8th) (6-8 p.m.)

Thursday (2/27) – Normal Practice times

CHS Wrestling State Wrestling Results

A huge thank you to all the CWO wrestlers, parents, family members and fans who followed and supported the Columbus High School boys and girls wrestlers and their teams throughout this past season. Special thanks to those who came and supported them during the State tournament as well as those who were cheering by watching on-line or on tv.

Our CHS boys team placed 3rd in a very competitive Class A team race and had seven medalists including two State Champions. Those who medaled included Carter Booze – 3rd Place, Laitenn Braithwait – 6th Place, Carter Eisenmann – 3rd Place, Mason Petersen – State Champion, Colton Jarecki – 4th Place, Jaeston Delano – State Champion and Tyler Zwingman – 4th Place. This was the second time since 1991 that CHS had two State Champions in the same year, including last year.

Our CHS girls team wrestled very competitively at their State Tournament and although they did not place, all four girls gained the experience they need to come back next year and achieve their goals of becoming a State medalist.

Congratulations again to all of our State qualifiers that battled for a place on the medal stand ... they all did CWO and CHS proud! We plan to introduce our boys and State medalists to the CWO wrestlers at 7:15 p.m. on Thursday, February 27th, 2025.

Columbus Wrestling “Anchor” Tournament – THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to all our CWO and CHS parents, wrestlers, families and friends who volunteered their time this past weekend to make our 2025 Columbus Wrestling “Anchor” Tournament a huge success. We still had nearly 750 wrestlers participate in our tournament and we ran the tournament to completion in less than 6 hours thanks to our amazing volunteer workers!! A big thank you to everyone who also donated food items to the concessions stand. With your help we were able to provide one of the best tournament concessions stands we have ever had !! Last, but not least, a huge thanks to all our volunteer coaches who helped make sure that our 103 CWO wrestlers were all coached throughout the day !!! We have an amazing wrestling community and family here in Columbus and we are excited and lucky to be a part of it !!!

Team and Individual Pictures

We will update everyone when the pictures are available for pick up.

Nebraska USA Wrestling District 3 Tournament

This tournament is scheduled for Saturday, March 1st, 2025 in O’Neill. We will be going to this tournament as a team.

I am strongly encouraging everyone to attend this tournament and make an effort to qualify for the USA State Tournament.

Wrestlers can’t go to the State Tournament without going through the District Tournament. Those who qualify will advance to the Nebraska USA State Folkstyle Tournament on Saturday, March 15th and Sunday, March 16th (in Grand Island). For those who qualify for the State tournament, the CWO will register and pay their entries.

To qualify for NEUSAW State, the following applies:

- All wrestlers, all age groups, boys and girls, must participate in the District 3 tournament
- All girls, K-2, 3-5 and 6-8 grade, automatically qualify for State
- PreK-K boys, automatically qualify for State

- Boys in grades 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 and 7-8 must place top 4 at Districts to qualify

Registration Link: https://www.usawmembership.com/usaw_events/2500186102?section=registration

This tournament uses the USA Wrestling registration system instead of TrackWrestling. Instructions on how to register your wrestler are at the link below and is also attached to Information Note #8 email.

How to Register using USA Wrestling system:

<http://www.columbuswrestling.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/NEUSA-District-3-Registration-Steps-CWO.pdf>

This tournament is very important to our Team and having a strong representation at the tournament is something we encourage and strive for. Please strongly consider participating and being a part of the CWO Team represented at this tournament. For those of you who qualify for State as a result of your District placement, the CWO will pay your entry fee for the State tournament. This is one of the several events we help support through our fundraising.

Satellite weigh-ins: To avoid having to travel to O’Neill early on Saturday morning for weigh-ins, we will be hosting a satellite weigh-in in Columbus on Friday night from 6-7 p.m. Please enter Columbus High School using the Activities Entrance on the northeast side of the school. Weigh-ins will take place in the locker room across from the wrestling room.

Upcoming Dual Team Opportunity (Huskerland State Duals) (3rd - 5th Grade & 6th - 8th Grade) - BOYS

We have an opportunity to participate in the upcoming Huskerland State Duals on Friday, March 7th for 6th-8th grade and Sunday, March 9th for 3rd – 5th grade. Both events are held in Kearney, NE at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds Event Center. This is an excellent event which we have participated in the past several years and done very well as a team. We plan to attend again this year. Please note that 6th-8th grade Huskerland Duals will now be wrestled on **Friday** afternoon with AAU State for all ages on Saturday.

A separate email has been sent out with additional details and instructions for signing up to be a part of this dual team opportunity including wrestle-offs information for our CWO wrestlers.

Upcoming Dual Team Opportunity (Huskerland State Duals) (K-8th Grade) - GIRLS

We have an opportunity to participate in the upcoming Huskerland State Girls Duals on Sunday, March 9th for K-8th grade. This event is held in Kearney, NE at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds Event Center. This is an excellent opportunity for us to put together a CWO girl’s dual team and compete against other girls across the state. We plan to take a team to this event. WE WILL CONTINUE TO USE OUR NEW GIRLS DUAL TEAM SINGLETs FOR THIS EVENT !!!

A separate email has been sent out with additional details and instructions for signing up to be a part of this dual team opportunity including wrestle-offs information for our CWO girl wrestlers.

Nebraska AAU State Tournament

The 2025 Nebraska AAU State Tournament will also be held during the Huskerland State Dual Tournament in Kearney next weekend. Grades 6-8 will wrestle on Saturday and Grades K-2 & Grades 3-5 will wrestle on Sunday. The information for this tournament is available at the <https://nswca.com/huskerland/#aau> website. This is another great opportunity to participate in a tournament with great competition.

NOTE: All wrestlers must have an AAU Card to compete in Huskerland Duals and AAU State. (This is NOT the USA Wrestling Card purchased for you by the CWO.) AAU cards can be purchased at: www.aauwrestling.net. Select Join AAU, then click on the green Register now. If you purchased an AAU card last year, you can simply log in with your username and password and renew it. There is no “team code” for the AAU cards, just leave it blank.

Upcoming Team Tournaments (remainder of 2025 season):

Saturday, March 1st, 2025 **Nebraska USA Wrestling District 3 Tournament (O’Neill High School, O’Neill, NE)**
[See note above.]

Friday, March 7th, 2025 **Huskerland Boys Duals Tournament [6-8 Grade] (Expo Center, Kearney)**
Sunday, March 9th, 2025 **Huskerland Boys Duals Tournament [3-5 Grade] (Expo Center, Kearney)**
Sunday, March 9th, 2025 **Huskerland Girls Duals Tournament [K-8 Grade] (Expo Center, Kearney)**
[See note above.]

Saturday, March 10th, 2025 **Nebraska AAU State Tournament [Boys&Girls] [K-2, 3-5 & 6-8 Grade] (Expo Center, Kearney)**
[See note above.]

Nebraska USA Wrestling State Tournament (All Age Groups)

When/Where: Saturday, March 15th & Sunday, March 16th in Grand Island, NE at the Heartland Events Center located on the State Fairgrounds. More details will be sent to our State qualifiers as we get closer to the event. **The CWO will register and pay for all State qualifiers.** Detailed information **INCLUDING PURCHASING RESERVED TICKETS IN ADVANCE FOR THIS EVENT** is located at <https://www.nebraskausawrestling.org/page/show/948141-state-folkstyle->

Huskerland State Tournament (All Age Groups)

When/Where: Saturday, March 22nd & Sunday, March 23rd in Kearney, NE. Wrestlers will only wrestle on Saturday OR Sunday depending on your grade. Detailed information on the tournament will be sent out at a later date. **The CWO will register and pay for this State tournament.** There is a group discount rate opportunity if we have enough wrestlers.

Heartland USA Elementary & Middle School National Duals (Qualifiers from NE USA State)

When/Where: Saturday, March 29th & Sunday, March 30th in Council Bluffs, IA. Wrestlers qualify for the Elementary or the Middle School Dual teams that will represent Nebraska based on your performance at the NE USA State Tournament. There are four elementary dual teams and two middle school dual teams for Nebraska. Detailed information on the tournament will be sent out at a later date.

Midwest Classic Nationals (All Age Groups)

When/Where: Saturday, March 29th in Kearney, NE. Wrestlers will wrestle on Saturday ONLY this year for ALL ages. Detailed information is located at <https://www.mwcevents.com/midwest-classic>.

Opportunity Tournaments for parents to choose from are posted on the following websites:

Nebraska USA Wrestling Club Tournament Calendar:
<https://www.nebraskausawrestling.org/page/show/948251-other-events>

NSWCA/Huskerland Tournament Calendar:
<https://nswca.com/calendar/>

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

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