#### Information Note #9 – Week of 3/3/25

#### **Team and Individual Pictures**

Picture packets have been delivered and are available for parents to pick up at the check-in table this week.

# **Nebraska USA Wrestling District 3 Tournament (Results)**

Congratulations to all our CWO wrestlers for a great performance at the NEUSAW District 3 tournament. We had 53 of our 74 wrestlers qualify for the State Tournament. All our wrestlers also contributed to the CWO winning the NEUSA District 3 Team Championship! Great Job! Thank you to all the coaches who were there!

We have been asked by NEUSAW to take a team photo as District 3 champions. We would like all 74 of our wrestlers to be in the team photo. We will take the photo around 7:15 p.m. on Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup> between practices. Please wear your CWO maroon shirt and some black shorts and feel free to wear your placement medals for those who have them. Again, we want all 74 kids in the photo!!! You should all be proud of what you helped accomplish at Districts.

For the 53 wrestlers who qualified for the State tournament on March 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, the CWO will register and pay for their tournament entry. Please do not register on your own, we will take care of it for you. We will need parents to confirm with us that their wrestler intends on attending the State tournament. We will send out a survey form for our parents to fill out and commit to the tournament.

For those boys who did not automatically qualify (top 4 placement at Districts) and would like to petition to get into the State tournament if a spot opens in your weight class, there is a form you need to fill out and submit to be considered for getting into the tournament based on the petition.

Information posted by Nebraska USA Wrestling:

"Wrestling fans..... The subject is HARDSHIP PETITIONS into State. In order to apply for a hardship petition, your wrestler must register for the District tournament first. Then that wrestler must weigh in at one of the satellite weigh-ins designated by that District. The wrestler does not have to compete in the tournament but this does put the wrestler in the bracket. When the tournament is over, if your wrestler didn't place top 4 then you'll want to fill out this hardship waiver to potentially get into State. Our director handling this will notify you shortly after the registration has closed as to whether your wrestler can get into the 32 man bracket for your division,"

Direct link to fill out a Hardship Petition:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfv-uQU7CQFBTYDpfO1mCv9EsHC SpscTFE5lk9QqrjU HyXg/viewform

The deadline for hardship petitions is Saturday, March 8th. You cannot register for the State Tournament until you are given instructions. By Tuesday evening (March 11<sup>th</sup>) ALL petitions will be notified by email whether it has been accepted or declined.

Because we had so many of our own wrestlers in several brackets, we ended up beating each other out and some of our wrestlers did not qualify for the State tournament. We hope everyone who was in this situation or especially those who placed 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup>, should consider petitioning to get into the State tournament.

All PreK-K boys wrestlers automatically qualify for the State tournament if they attended Districts, regardless of their placement, and will be bracketed again at State according to the weight that they weigh in at during satellite weigh-ins.

Again this year ... there will be a separate girl's State tournament with age groups and weight assignments the same as the District tournament. All girls that attended the District 3 tournament are automatic qualifiers and can enter the State tournament. This is a great way for our girls to continue to compete against other girls and demonstrate the skills they have been learning throughout the year. We are again excited for them to have their own tournament. We will also register and pay for our girls to go to their State tournament. We will send out a survey form for our parents to fill out and commit to the tournament.

Detailed information INCLUDING PURCHASING RESERVED TICKETS IN ADVANCE FOR THIS EVENT is located at <a href="https://www.nebraskausawrestling.org/page/show/948141-state-folkstyle-">https://www.nebraskausawrestling.org/page/show/948141-state-folkstyle-</a>

Below is a summary of the Sessions for the NEUSA State tournament to help you with buying spectator tickets. If you plan to go, we suggest you buy your reserved tickets as soon as possible.

Day	Session	Start Time	Divisions	Location
Saturday, March 15, 2025	A	9 a.m.	Boys 1st-2nd Weights: 40, 45, 50, 53, 56, 59, 62 Boys 3rd-4th All Weights	Main Arena
Saturday, March 15, 2025	В	10 a.m.	Boys PreK-K All Weights	Expo Hall
Saturday, March 15, 2025	С	~ 2:30 p.m.	Boys 5th-6th All weights Boys 1st-2nd Weights 65 through 140	Main Arena
Sunday, March 16, 2025	D	9 a.m.	Boys 7th-8th All weights	Main Arena
Sunday, March 16, 2025	Е	~ 2:00 p.m.	All Girls (except high school)	Main Arena
Sunday, March 16, 2025	F	10 a.m.	Boys and Girls High School	Expo Hall

# Upcoming Dual Team Opportunity (Huskerland State Duals) – BOYS & GIRLS

A separate set of emails has been sent out with additional details and instructions for those who are a part of the final dual teams. We have some great boys and girls teams competing this weekend in the Huskerland State Duals!!!

# **Singlet Returns**

Parents/wrestlers can return their CWO Team singlets during practice times the next several weeks outside of the CHS wrestling room. Please try to make one of these scheduled times. We ask that parents please bring in the singlet in case there are any questions regarding the condition of the singlet and how you want to handle the deposit check (return it or shred it). The following dates are available to return your CWO issued singlet:

- Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup> (for all wrestlers finished after NEUSAW Districts) from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup> (for all wrestlers finished after NEUSAW State) from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Monday, March 24<sup>th</sup> (for all wrestlers finished after Huskerland State) from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Monday, March 31st (for all wrestlers finished after Midwest Classic) from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Please do not return singlets outside of these dedicated times or they may not be properly recorded as being returned. Also, please have a parent bring the singlet to the check-in table in case there are any questions.

If your singlet is returned without damage your full deposit check will be returned. Please make sure the singlets are washed one final time and dried properly before returning.

UNLESS OTHER ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE WITH COACH BROWNLOW, ALL SINGLETS MUST BE RETURNED BY MONDAY, MARCH 31st , OR YOUR DEPOSIT CHECK WILL BE CASHED.

#### **Nebraska AAU State Tournament**

The 2025 Nebraska AAU State Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> in Kearney for ALL AGE GROUPS this year. This is the first time all age groups will wrestle on the same day. The Huskerland State Dual Tournament has been moved to Friday and Sunday to align with this new schedule. The information for this tournament is available at the <a href="https://nswca.com/huskerland/#aau">https://nswca.com/huskerland/#aau</a> website. This is another great opportunity to participate in a tournament with great competition. Registration can be done on-line via TrackWrestling at the following link [by Friday, 3/7, at noon]: <a href="https://www.trackwrestling.com/registration/TW">https://www.trackwrestling.com/registration/TW</a> Register.jsp?tournamentGroupId=258843132

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: <a href="www.aauwrestling.net">www.aauwrestling.net</a> or use the direct link at: <a href="https://play.aausports.org/login/tabid/36231/Default.aspx?returnurl=%2f">https://play.aausports.org/login/tabid/36231/Default.aspx?returnurl=%2f</a>

Follow these steps:

- Click the "Get A Membership" link if you have never had a card.
- If you are renewing, enter your username and password in the "MEMBERS / COACHES / PARENTS" login area.
- Note that memberships all changed in 2025, if you have not logged in since last year, you will have to start over with the "Get A Membership" procedure.
- For your wrestler, you need a "Youth Athlete Membership" then choose 'Wrestling' from the drop-down menu and click options for 'Regular' and then choose 'No' for "Are they a member of a club?". CWO does not have an AAU team code.

## **Upcoming Team Tournaments (remainder of 2025 season):**

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

Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 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 15<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="https://www.nebraskausawrestling.org/page/show/948141-state-folkstyle-">https://www.nebraskausawrestling.org/page/show/948141-state-folkstyle-</a>

# **Huskerland State Tournament (All Age Groups)**

When/Where: Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> 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. <u>The CWO will register and pay for this State tournament.</u> 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 29<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 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 later.

### **Midwest Classic Nationals (All Age Groups)**

When/Where: Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> 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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