INDIVIDUAL STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

Greensboro Coliseum - Greensboro, NC February 20 - 22, 2020

*****PARKING AT ARENA –Each school that qualifies a wrestler(s) to the state tournament will receive ONE parking pass that must be displayed on any vehicle (including activity bus) transporting participant(s). The parking passes will be available from your Regional Tournament Director after conclusion of the tournament and qualifiers determined. All marked buses should display the NCHSAA provided parking pass for FREE parking admission. Any bus or vehicle WITHOUT the parking pass will be charged for parking. Vehicles will be able to leave and return if parking ticket stub is kept.

All Activity Buses should enter through the regular entrance gates off Patterson Street or Ellington Street.

REGULAR REGISTRATION - will be in the lobby of Greensboro Coliseum on Thursday Afternoon (2A/3A/4A) and Friday morning (1A). The coliseum doors will open for qualified wrestlers and their coaches at **12:30PM** on Thursday and **7:00AM** on Friday and Saturday. Coaches will pick up their registration packet, which will include participant badges (used for entry for wrestlers) for all qualifiers. Wrestlers will be seated by weight class before being sent to the weigh-in area. **Each qualifier must have their participant badge in hand before being allowed to enter the coliseum and weigh-in area.** Wrestlers will use the back stairwell at Section 110 to gain access to the weigh-in area.

Weigh-ins

Thursday - [2A at 1:30 p.m.], [3A at 3:30 p.m.], [4A at 5:30 p.m.]
Friday - [2A, 3A, 4A at 7:30 a.m.], [1A, 12:30 p.m.]
Saturday - [1A, 2A, 3A, 4A at 7:30 a.m.]
All schools must be present at the start of weigh-ins.

*****WEIGH-INS- ALL bags, including wrestlers' bags, are subject to being searched upon entering the coliseum. Therefore, to expedite the weigh-in process, wrestlers should leave bags, etc, on the bus, or in the lobby. After the completion of weigh-ins wrestlers will have time to get their bags and allow security to search them before re-entering the coliseum.

Weigh-ins will be conducted beginning with 106 lbs and will conclude with heavyweight. Competitors who miss the weigh-in for their weight will be considered late and will be allowed to weigh-in after the heavyweights and will only be allowed to step on the scale <u>one time</u>. Coaches should contact Joe McCormick (336) 354-2827 if they know their team will arrive after weigh-ins begin. After weigh-ins are closed, no contestants will be permitted to weigh-in. There is no access to restrooms in the weigh-in area so make sure your athletes use the restroom prior to reporting to weigh-in area to line-up.

Each qualifier must have his participant badge in hand to get into the weigh-in area as well as having it with him as he steps on the scales. Access to the weigh-in area is the stairwell behind Section 110. Qualifiers will receive a hand stamp in the weigh-in area. This hand stamp allows access to the competition floor area and practice/weigh-in area. If at any time this stamp is rubbed, sweated or washed off, the wrestler must see the security personnel at the Stairwell at Section 110 or tournament officials in the Lobby to be re-stamped.

To expedite the weigh-in process:

- 1) Please bring with you the appropriate medical documentation (form is on the NCHSAA web site) in regard to communicable skin disorders; and,
- 2) Make sure wrestler has already shaved, cut hair and nails, and has already stripped down to the appropriate weigh-in attire before getting to the scales.

Weigh-ins will be conducted by weight class, not by teams.

IMPORTANT

ADMISSION FOR COACHES- Each school's athletic director will be required to submit a prioritized list of coaches from the form on the wrestling page on the NCHSAA website. This MUST be done before 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 18th (maximum of 4) that his/her school will send to the tournament. Wristbands will be given based on the number of qualifiers: 1-3 = 2 wristbands; 4-7 = 3 wristbands; 8 or more = 4 wristbands. Coaches will be admitted only by their wristbands, which will be in their packet. The wristband will allow entrance into the coliseum and onto the arena floor. Wristbands must be secured to the wrist prior to entrance into the Coliseum. Coaches will wear the same wristband 2-3 days. Loose or damaged wristbands will not be accepted for admittance into the designated areas.

Coaches without a wristband will be admitted by his NCCA membership card or will have to pay to enter. NOTE: Coaches' families will not be allowed to enter using the NCCA membership card.

Non-qualifying team members will be admitted for \$5.00 PER PERSON/PER DAY. The coach (WITH COACH'S WRISTBAND) must accompany the group to the ticket window and they must accompany the team through the gate. Non-Qualifying wrestlers will enter through the general admission doors, NOT the wrestler's entrance. They will not be permitted down to the practice/weigh-in area or the competition floor area. **ABUSE of this procedure will jeopardize continuation of the \$5.00 special allowance.**

Participating wrestlers not advancing to the third day of competition will not be given a wristband/stamp and they will not be permitted down to the practice/weigh-in area or the competition floor area.

ONE **<u>student</u>** team manager will be admitted free if he/she arrives with the team.

"Wrestlerettes" must pay for admission.

Concessions will be available for purchase at the Coliseum. Athletes will be allowed to bring in food and drink in their bags for personal consumption only, not for teammates or family members.

Wrestlers must furnish their own towels and are responsible for their valuables throughout the tournament. Shower access will be available in the athlete's locker rooms.

NCHSAA STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT TIME SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20th (NEW THURSDAY SCHEDULE - READ THOROUGHLY)

12:30 p.m. - Greensboro Coliseum opens for wrestlers, and table workers

1:30 p.m. - Weigh-ins (2A)

2:00 p.m. - Greensboro Coliseum opens for spectators

By 2:30 p.m. - Wrestlers will be allowed on the mats

2:45 p.m. - Coaches' final instructions announced over PA system in

coliseum

 3:00 p.m.
 - 2A First Round

 3:30 p.m.
 - 3A Weigh-ins

 5:00 p.m.
 - 3A First Round

 5:30 p.m.
 - 4A Weigh-ins

 7:00 p.m.
 - 4A First Round

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21st

7:00 a.m. - Greensboro Coliseum opens for wrestlers, and table workers

7:30 a.m. - Weigh-ins (2A, 3A, 4A)

8:00 a.m. - Greensboro Coliseum opens for spectators

By 8:30 a.m. - Wrestlers will be allowed on the mats

8:45 a.m. - Coaches' final instructions announced over PA system in

coliseum

9:00 a.m. - 2A/3A/4A First Consolations, Quarterfinals

12:30 p.m. - Weigh-ins (1A)

2:00 p.m. - 1A Quarterfinals & 2A/3A/4A 2nd Consolations

6:00 p.m. - 1A/2A/3A/4A Championship Semifinals

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd

7:00 a.m. - Greensboro Coliseum opens for wrestlers, and table workers

7:30 a.m. - 1A/2A/3A/4A Weigh-ins

8:00 a.m. - Greensboro Coliseum opens for spectators By 8:30 a.m. - Wrestlers will be allowed on the mats

9:00 a.m. -1A 1st Consolations, 2A/3A/4A Third Consolations, 1A/2A/3A/4A

Consolations Semifinals, 1A/2A/3A/4A Third - Fifth Place Consolations

4:00 p.m. - Parade of Champions/Championship Finals/Awards Presentation

Wrestlers will be allowed on the mats by 8:30 a.m. Friday & Saturday!

FLOOR ACCESS – Only tournament workers, coaches, media and stamped wrestlers will be allowed on the arena floor. Hand stamps and the Coaches' session wristband will be checked to gain access to floor.

During competition, qualified wrestlers and their coaches may use the stairwell behind Section 110 to gain access to the competition floor area and the practice/weigh-in area.

NCHSAA registered officials will be escorting wrestlers and their coaches on and off the floor at the appropriate times. Wrestlers and coaches in ALL classification will ENTER the arena floor through the entrance at the Northeast (beside section 113) end of the arena and will EXIT through the entrance on the Southeast end of the arena (beside section 105). Once exiting the arena floor, coaches and

wrestlers will be asked to move to the upper level of the arena using the back stairwell behind Section 115. Your cooperation is required to help keep the hallway area clear for those coaches and wrestlers who are reporting for upcoming/on-deck matches.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT – We will use ten (10) mats until the semifinals, when only 8 mats will be used. Then in the finals, only 4 mats will be used.

The 1st place championship matches will be wrestled in the evening session on Saturday, beginning at approximately 4:00 p.m., <u>following</u> the Parade of Champions.

Only those wrestling in the championship finals will be included in the Parade of Champions and are asked to remain in warm-ups for the parade. Wrestlers inappropriately dressed or those whose behavior is not that of a "champion" will be subject to removal from the parade. Please emphasize appropriate behavior/actions expected during the parade.

NCHSAA INDIVIDUAL AWARD CEREMONY - The top four finishers in each weight class will receive medals and the 5th and 6th place wrestlers will be recognized on the podium. Coaches of state champions are invited to help present the awards to all wrestlers in their champion's weight class and classification.

NCHSAA TEAM AWARD CEREMONY - [New for 2020] In an effort to eliminate the number of uncredentialed individuals on the floor during the award ceremony, we are instituting a new policy for the team award presentation. The head coach and captains from the 1st and 2nd place teams in each classification will be invited down to the floor to accept their awards on behalf of their teams. Once they receive their award, the teams are invited to take pictures in front of the backdrops that will be placed adjacent to the back stairwell on the concourse in section 115.

ROUND SHEETS - Round sheets will be available only for coaches and media following the completion of each round. However, it will be necessary for you to keep up with where your wrestler is as he advances in the tournament. Each head coach will receive a set of brackets in his packet.

ADMISSION PRICES FOR SPECTATORS -

\$25.00 for All-Tournament Pass (Good for all three days)

\$ 5.00 for Thursday session only

\$15.00 for Friday session only

\$15.00 for Saturday session only

\$ 7.00 for Championship session only

NCHSAA passes and NCCA passes are allowed, ONE PERSON PER CARD, and cardholder only for NCCA pass.

*****Ticket sales begin at 2:00PM on Thursday, 8:00AM on Friday and 8:00AM on Saturday with doors opening to spectators @ 2:00PM on Thursday, 8:00AM on Friday and 8:00AM on Saturday.

TRAINERS – Scott Barringer will be coordinating trainers for the state tournament.

Pairings for State Tournament

WILL NOT be available by phone or FAX through the NCHSAA. We will try to have them posted on our web page and TrackWrestling no later than Tuesday morning, February 18th. (www.nchsaa.org)

POINTS OF EMPHASIS FOR STATE TOURNAMENT

******Vehicles will be able to leave and return if parking ticket stub is kept. Please help inform your fans/parents so they will know in advance. One parking pass will be given to each head coach that has a qualifying wrestler at the conclusion of the Regional Tournament. That pass must be displayed on the windshield of any vehicle transporting wrestlers, regardless of whether it is a personal vehicle or a school-identified vehicle: bus, van, etc.

*******Cooler Policy – Greensboro Coliseum does not allow coolers/food containers inside! We need your help in notifying your fans/parents that they will not be allowed to take coolers/food containers/food into the coliseum.

All wrestlers' and patron's bags are subject to being searched.

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The 1st place championship matches will be the only matches wrestled during the evening session on Saturday, which will begin at approximately 4:00 p.m., following the Parade of Champions.

Wrestlers will be allowed on the mats by 8:30am Friday and by 8:30am Saturday.

Face/Body paint is not allowed.

A DRAW WAS CONDUCTED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NC WRESTLING COMMUNITY DURING THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S MEEETING AND THE CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS WILL BEGIN WITH THE 120 LB WEIGHT CLASS FOR 2020.