

The beginning of the 2019-20 IESA Wrestling season is fast approaching. Enclosed is the 2019-20 NFHS Wrestling Rule Book.

This is the only pre-season mailing you will receive. To access other essential information regarding the IESA Wrestling season, including the Terms and Conditions you must go to the IESA website, click on Boys Wrestling and then click on "Documents & Links". You'll see an HTM file labeled "Essential Boys Wrestling Documents". Included in the HTM link is everything you should need as a coach/administrator to get the team started or you may access this information by going to the following link: http://www.iesa.org/documents/essentials/bwr.asp.

You must download this material. Please be sure to do so.

## **GENERAL REMINDERS**

- Classification: There are two classes in Wrestling. Cut-offs for the classes will be as follows: Class 1A— 395 and lower; Class 2A— 396 and higher. Seventh and eighth grade enrollment figures as of September 30, 2018 which were received from the school are used. Each class has approximately 1/2 of the competing schools. There are 189 schools entered in the state series— 96 schools are in Class 1A; 93 schools in Class 2A.
- 2. Assignments: Regional and sectional assignments are posted on the IESA website (www.iesa.org).
- 3. **Hosts**: When you view the regional assignments, you will notice there are a couple regional sites and one Class 1A sectional site yet to be determined. If you are interested in hosting one of these meets, please email your interest to steve@iesa.org. IESA will be in email contact with the regionals that do not have a host determined to assist with the securing of a regional host.
- 4. Deadlines: Key dates to keep in mind:

| 2019-20 Season Calendar             | November 1, 2010  |
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| Final Entry Deadline                |                   |
| Practice/Tryouts may begin (Monday) |                   |
| Cooperative Team Entry/Renewal Due  |                   |
| Meets may begin (Monday)            |                   |
| Online Roster Deadline              | February 25, 2020 |
| Regional Seed Meeting (Wednesday)   | February 26, 2020 |
| Regionals (Saturday)                | February 29, 2020 |
| Sectionals (Saturday)               | March 7, 2020     |
| State (Friday & Saturday)           | March 13-14, 2020 |
| Season Must End                     | April 4, 2020     |
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- 5. Regional Entry Form Reminder: Be sure to complete the online Regional Entry Form. This should be done through the IESA Member Center at <u>www.iesa.org</u> by the February 25, 2020 deadline. Teams without official entries submitted by that date shall be disqualified from the regional competition. The online Regional Entry Form, to be completed by logging in to the IESA Member Center, shall be used to list up to two wrestlers in each weight class for the state tournament series. The Regional Entry Forms will be available online for regional hosts to view. No changes may be made to the regional entries after the seeding meeting.
- 6. **Seeding:** Eight wrestlers shall be seeded in each weight class (assuming each wt. class has at least 8 entered). Any wrestler who is going to be seeded at the regional level must have wrestled at least 8 varsity matches. Matches wrestled that were not at the varsity level do not count toward the eight matches needed to be seeded.
- 7. No Changes to Brackets After Seeding Meeting: There are no changes to the brackets after the seeding meeting on the Wednesday prior to the regional. If a wrestler scratches, does not make weight, is ill the day of the regional, or is injured the morning before the regional begins, there are no substitutes or changes to the bracket. That match simply becomes a forfeit. Again, there are no changes of any kind to the brackets after a weight class has been seeded. Host schools can print bout cards immediately after the seeding meeting.