## TOURNAMENT CHECKLIST FOR CWO PARENTS & WRESTLERS

If and when your child is ready to compete in a youth wrestling tournaments, the following is a checklist of things to do before, during and after tournaments:

#### BEFORE THE TOURNAMENT

1. If you are attending one of the CWO "Team" tournaments, a tournament flyer will be emailed out at least one week prior to the competition date. All "Team" tournament flyers will also be posted on the CWO Team website at the following location: www.columbuswrestling.org/Tournaments/

The date, name and link for the tournaments are listed on this page. This web page contains all Team tournaments as well as pre-season and other opportunity tournaments.

2. Getting your child registered for a wrestling tournament will be done one of two ways, either mailing in the entry form or registering on-line.

## Mail-in entry:

Parents will need to print and fill out the requested information on the tournament flyer and mail their entry form along with the required payment on their own. Be sure to mail the entry form in early to make sure it arrives prior to deadlines set by the host. An example of an entry form is attached at the end of this document.

# On-line registration:

Several tournaments we attend require registration to be done on-line using the TrackWrestling website. The steps for registering for a TrackWrestling tournament are at the end of this checklist. Parents will be required to register on-line and pay for those tournaments on their own also. Be sure to register by the deadline posted by the host, once the on-line registration closes, there is usually nothing that can be done to get your child registered.

NOTE: Some tournaments do allow "walk-in" registrations. There is normally an extra fee to use this option but it does provide the opportunity to get into some tournaments by simply going there and registering at the door. Have your entry form filled out and payment ready prior to arriving at the tournament to speed up the registration process.

- 3. Some tournaments towards the end of the season will require a USA Insurance Card for entry. This card is purchased by the CWO for each wrestler who has signed up and paid for the "CWO Team". We will have each of your USA cards printed and available at practice prior to those tournaments.
- 4. For all tournaments, please note the check-in & weigh-in times and if there is a tournament limit for the number of wrestlers allowed, register early for those!!.
- 5. Days leading to the tournament eat healthy, drink liquids, and get enough sleep.

## DAY OF TOURNAMENT - AT HOME PREPERATION PRIOR TO LEAVING

- Wrestlers bring along ALL your wrestling equipment: headgear, shoes, singlet, t-shirt, shorts, sweats, etc. There will be a place to change at the tournament. When you are not wrestling, wear a minimum of a t-shirt and shorts and possibly a sweatshirt to stay warm. We strongly suggest you label all your clothing as we have many kids in our club with the same apparel. DO NOT LABEL THE CWO TEAM SINGLETS.
- 2. Parents bring along something to do for yourself. There is a waiting period after checkins / weigh-ins and before the tournament begins. We prefer parents keep their wrestlers at the host location in case there are any issues immediately following weigh-ins.

## DAY OF TOURNAMENT - CHECK-IN AND WEIGH-INS PROCESS

- 1. Registration / check-in is often early in the morning (7 9 a.m.) for the youngest wrestlers and then staggered throughout the day as the age/grade divisions get older. For the early check-ins/weigh-ins, so not worry about eating before you arrive to check in and get weighed in. Best bet is to bring along food. Most tournaments have concessions; but to save money bring something to eat for breakfast and/or lunch. Also bring your own water and sport drink. Note that some schools do not allow coolers in the gym.
- 2. Once you arrive at the tournament, parents will have to pay admissions but wrestlers will be allowed entrance since they have paid the tournament entry fee.
- 3. Once you have paid admissions, find the wrestler check-in area. For those tournaments that have mail in entries, they will likely give you a weigh-in card to take to the weigh-in area, usually a locker room in the building. For those tournaments that had on-line registrations, they may or may not have check-ins cards and you will likely just proceed to the weigh-in area.
- 4. Proceed to the weigh-in area with your card, if provided. All wrestlers will have to step on a scale and have their weight recorded for the tournament. Wrestlers should weigh in with minimal clothing on so you are as close to natural weight as possible. We would suggest simply weighing in with your singlet on, WITHOUT shoes, headgears, shirts or shorts, etc.
- 5. Wrestlers will also have their finger nails check for length and smoothness as well as having their skin checked for any skin infections. Please make sure all wrestlers keep their nails trimmed short and smooth. If you suspect your child may have a skin infection, you will need a doctor's note stating it is currently being treated and is not contagious. If you don't have a note, your wrestler will NOT be allowed to compete.
- 6. Once you have weighed in, go eat if you have not done so. Please eat something healthy!! Don't eat something that is greasy or hard to digest, focus on foods that will fuel your body with energy. And of course, get hydrated as wrestlers lose a lot of water through sweating.

## **WARMING-UP / WAITING TO WRESTLE**

1. Support your team and stick together - remember you are representing the Columbus Wrestling Organization (CWO) and our community. We will warm up together as a team, even when there are two or more gyms. When you are not wrestling, watch and support your teammates. It's a good way to learn. Never forget that you are representing CWO. Be respectful, follow directions and be a good sport. Parents too! Wrestlers always clean up after yourself including empty sport drinks, water bottles and trash from any snacks you eat throughout the day. We ask that all of our parents do the same when sitting in the bleachers at all events. Please place all of your garbage trash/recycle cans.

## WRESTLING THE TOURNAMENT

- 1. After weigh-ins, the tournament organizers group the wrestlers based on weight, age and possibly experience. This is referred to as "Bracketing".
- 2. Bracketing once the host club completes the grouping of wrestlers, they will post bracket sheets on a wall somewhere in the building. The coaches will be hovering over these brackets making sure all of their wrestlers are in a bracket and determining which mat they will each wrestle on. We ask parents and wrestlers to please stay back and let the coaches get the information first so we can then let our wrestlers know which mat to go to for wrestling. Each wrestler will be told a BRACKET number and a MAT number.
- 3. We want our wrestlers to all stay in a group on the mats while the coaches get their bracket number and mat assignments. We will let all the wrestlers know this information and send them to the appropriate mat. Wrestlers will stay on that mat the entire tournament unless they are moved towards the end to help speed up the tournament by using mats that have emptied.
- 4. Most tournaments, especially for the younger wrestlers, are run in a "Round Robin" format. This means that your child should wrestle at least 3 matches. It depends on the number of other wrestlers that show up in the same age/weight category. There are 3 periods for each match. Each wrestler will compete in each period for 1 minute. Older wrestlers in grades 5-8 may get 1½ minute periods. Each mat will wrestle though all brackets one time before starting back over with the first bracket and wrestling the second round. Wrestlers are asked to stay at or very near the mat they are assigned to so they can hear their names being called when they are coming up to wrestle. Generally the tournament will have some indication showing what bracket is currently wrestling (bracket hung from top of pole) and which bracket is coming up next or "on deck" (bracket hung below the top bracket). Once you see your bracket number on the pole in the "on deck" position you need to start moving around and get prepared to wrestle.
- 5. We will make sure to have a coach on each mat to help assist your child and coach them while wrestling each match. Please understand that there will be times when we have several wrestlers going at the same time and we may have one coach covering two mats. Most tournaments are very good about not starting a match unless both wrestlers have a

coach in the corner. We will remind our wrestlers also to not start their match without one of our coaches being there.

## **AFTER EACH MATCH**

- 1. As a sign of good sportsmanship, after the match is complete, each wrestler is to go and shake the hand of the opposing wrestler's coach. Win or lose, we demand good sportsmanship and respect for the referee, our opponents and the opposing coaches!!
- 2. After our wrestler has shaken the opposing coach's hand, we want them to go to our coach assigned to that mat so talk so they can give them some final tips about the match just wrestled and give them "pep talk" before going elsewhere.

#### **AWARDS**

- Tournaments usually give out some type of award to all wrestlers in the form of a medal or trophy. After your last round, STAY with your group and proceed to the awards area. Some tournaments may have the awards at the table next to each mat. Parents may take photos at any time throughout the tournament. Wrestling is finished for each wrestler once the award is received.
- 2. BEFORE WRESTLERS LEAVE THE TOURNAMENT, please have them show the coach assigned to their mat their award. The coaches want to know how you finished up and be sure that you received the correct award. There are times when the child gets the wrong award and the coach can take care of the error.

#### OTHER IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER

- 1. Wrestlers make sure that you keep track of your belongings. It is recommended that expensive games or items be left at home. Neither the tournament nor the CWO is responsible for lost items.
- 2. Parents if you have never attended a youth wrestling tournament, they may seem at first a bit overwhelming. Plan on being gone a big part of the day especially if you have children in more than one age group. Some tournaments may start at 9 a.m. and not get done until 4 p.m. It may appear to be chaotic in the beginning; however have faith, most tournaments are well run. For all of our fans you will spend most of your time sitting on a bleacher, if you need it bring something soft to sit on or something to support your back. Bring along water and food for yourself too. Most tournaments have concessions, clothing, and other things for sale.
- 3. Remember --- nose bleeds may happen and tears may flow during wrestling. This is a personal sport and kids need to learn how to handle it when it's not going their way. The coaches are there to coach and will be truthful with your child and support him/her. Your job is to be the supportive parent and give the hugs and pats on the back for their courage to participate in this amazing sport.

## SCHUYLER WRESTLING CLUB TOURNAMENT

401 Adams St. Schuyler, NE JANUARY 13, 2019

DIVISION	WEIGH-INS	WRESTLE AT:
Pre-School – K	7:00-7:45	9:30
$1^{st}-2^{nd}$	7:00 - 7:45	9:30
$3^{rd}-4^{th}$	8:00-10:00	11:30
$5^{th}-6^{th}$	10:00-11:30	1:00*
7 <sup>th</sup> − 8 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 - 1:00	2:30*

\*Will start early if ahead of schedule!

**WEIGHT CLASSES:** No set weight classes, classes to be determined after weigh-ins, 4-man round robin brackets for Preschool thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. 8-man brackets where possible for 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> grades.

SCORING: NHSAA folkstyle rules with three one minute periods, with all periods starting neutral. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade will wrestle three 90 second periods, with choice in second and third period. Huskerland modified rules. Double elimination for 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade. No challenge for second.

AWARDS: 3-D Arrowhead medals will be given to the top four places in each class.

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00. Late entries and call in's will be \$20.00 at the door. Entries limited to 500 wrestlers!

OFFICIALS: There will be five registered officials at this tournament with 2 young officials.

CONCESSIONS: Breakfast and lunch will be served. NO COOLERS IN GYM!

MATS: There will be at least 6 large mats to wrestle on.

Please fill out the application and return on or before Jan 10, 2019

ADMISSION: Adults: \$5.00, Students: \$3.00

TEAM TROPHIES: 1st and 2nd place team trophies will be given in 2 classes. Class A will be the top 30%, Class B the rest.

\*\* In case of inclement weather, please check out our Facebook page: Schuyler Wrestling for any delay's or cancellations

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2018 <b>CLUB</b> RECORD /2 - 8 2019 <b>CLUB</b> RECORD (if any)_	2-2	

LIABILITY WAIVER: In consideration of you accepting this entry, I hereby for my heirs, executors, my administrators, and myself waive and release all my injuries suffered by me at or in connection with the 2019 SCHUYLER TOURNAMENT, SCHUYLER WRESTLING CLUB, and SCHUYLER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS.

PARENT OF GUARDIAN SIGNATURE Soly Smith

Send all entries to: Al Sucha (Tournament Director)

2007 B Street
Schuyler, Ne 68661 Cell Phone # (402) 615-0341

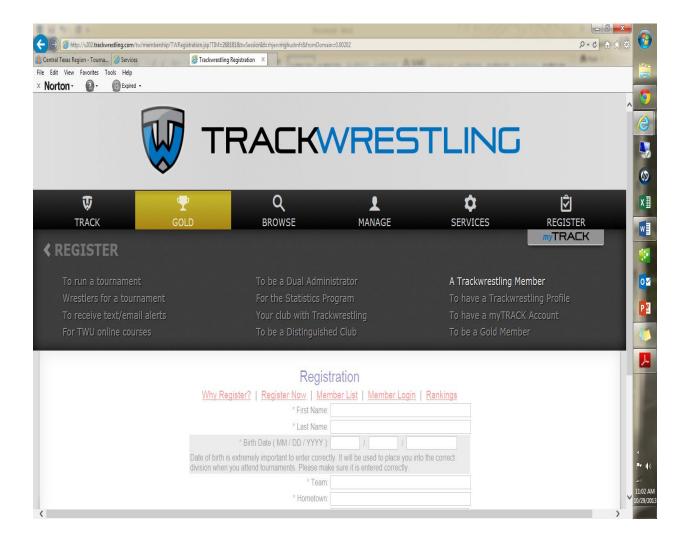
Make checks payable to: SCHUYLER WRESTLING CLUB

The following instructions will help parents get started with Trackwrestling.com. The process to becoming a member and how to sign up for a tournament.

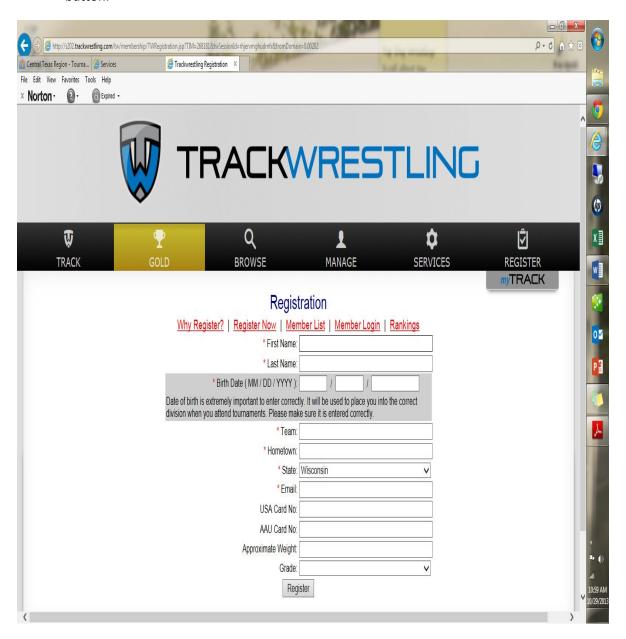
Trackwrestling.com athlete database is tied into the USA Wrestling Membership

## To get started, follow these steps...

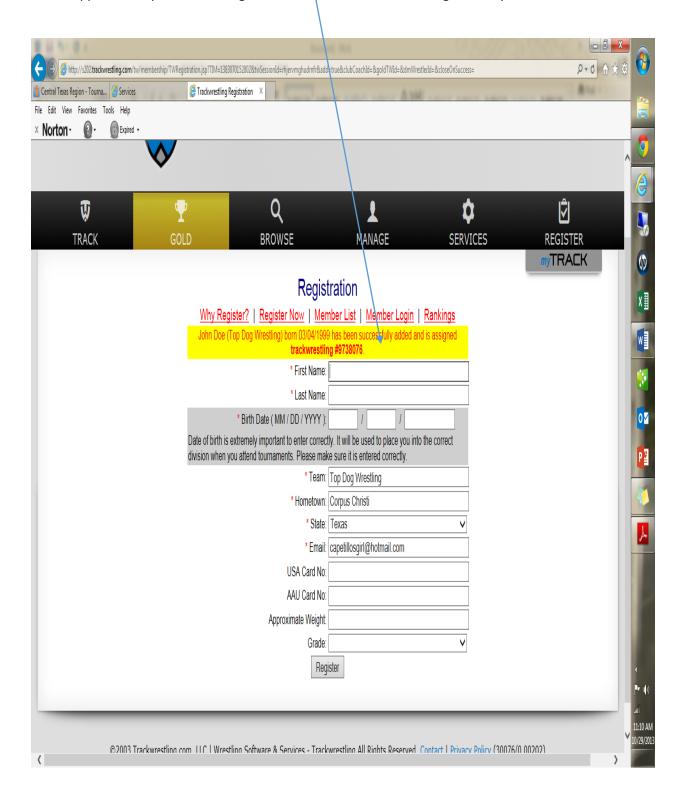
Type trackwrestling.com into web browser.
 Click Register (right hand side of the top menu bar)
 Choose- A Trackwrestling member



2. Register your Wrestler- Enter necessary Wrestler and Contact Information, then click Register button.



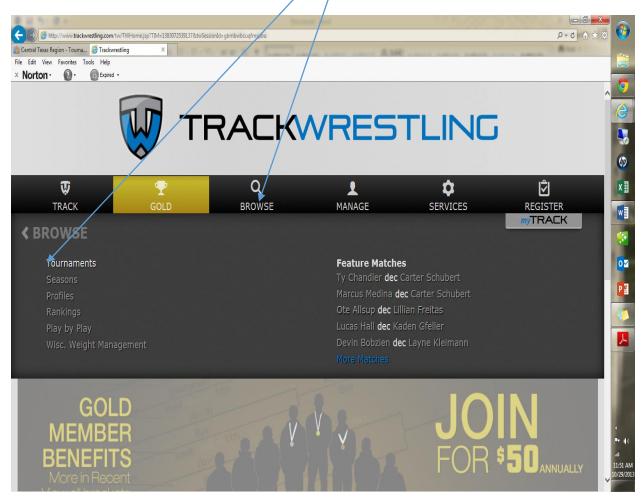
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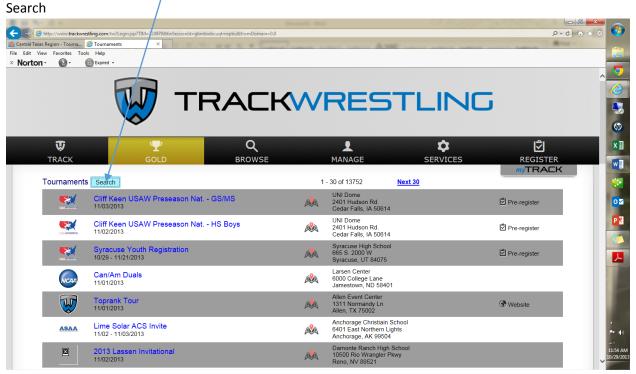
# Signing up for a Tournament.

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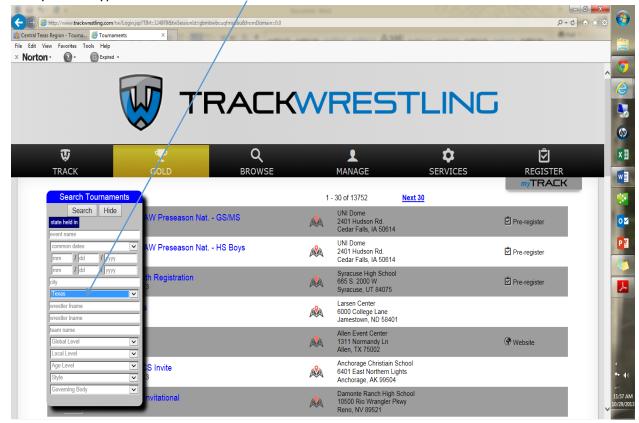




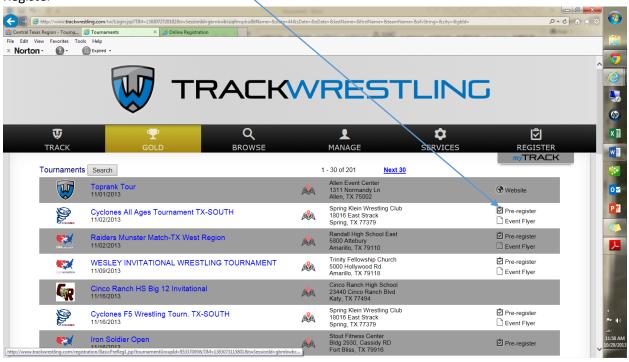
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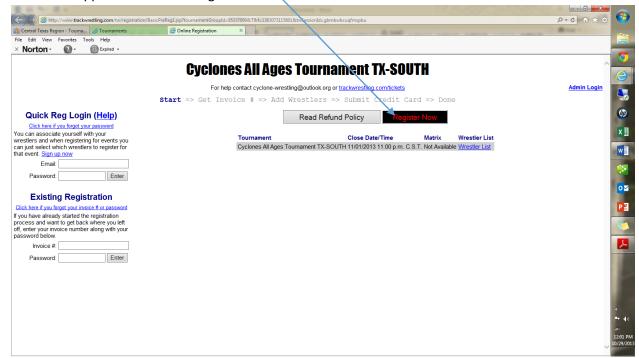
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5.Find your tournament and click on Pre-Register

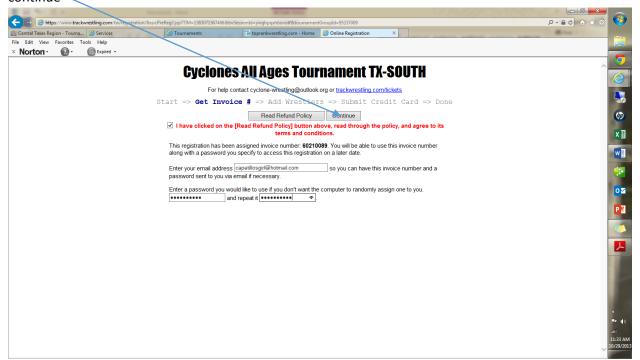


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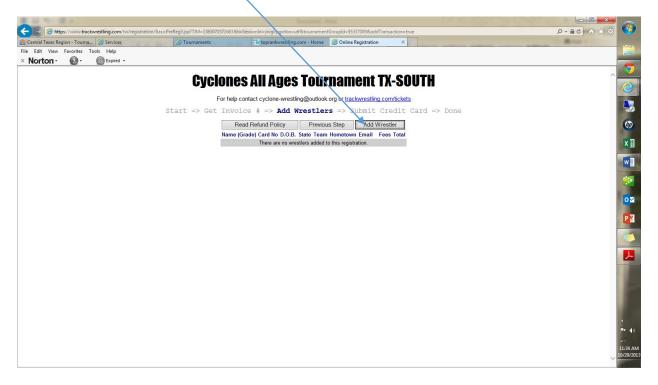


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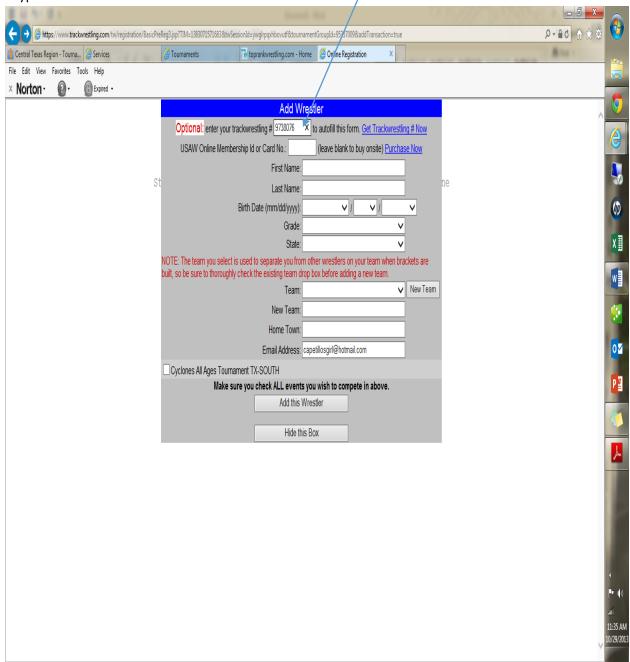
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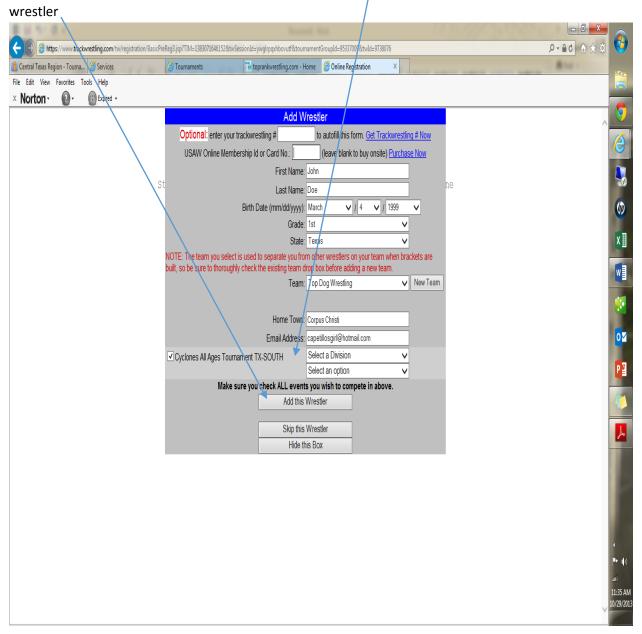
8. This appears and click add wrestler



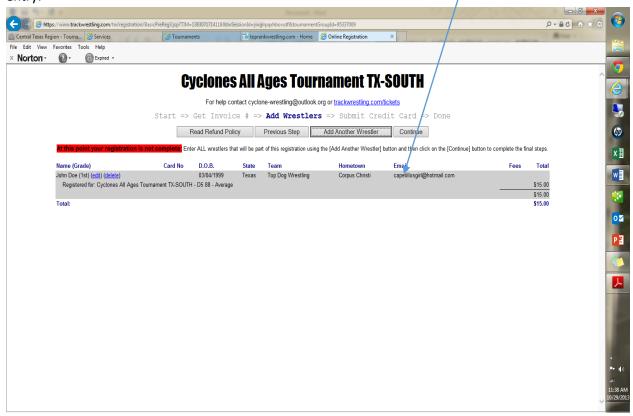
9. This will appear and enter your wrestlers trackwrestling NO# then click enter on your keypad



10. Step 9 will auto populate your wrestlers info. Now just fill in the lower half. Make sure you have checked marked your tournament and fill in the drop downs, Then click on add this



11. Once you click add wrestler on step 10 this will appear and click continue to pay for tournament entry.



## 12.Fill in info and submit!!

