Information Note #7 – Week of 2/12/24

CHS Wrestling State Qualifiers

The Columbus High School boys and girls wrestling teams had great performances this past weekend. The boys team finished as NSAA District A-1 Team Runner-ups and qualified all 12 of the 12 wrestlers for the Nebraska High School State Tournament this coming weekend. The girls team also qualified 2 of the 5 girls who had to get through a Sub-District tournament and a District tournament to qualify for the State Tournament.

We plan to introduce our boys and girls State qualifiers to the CWO wrestlers at 7:15 p.m. on Monday, February 12, 2024. Parents feel free to step into the wrestling room for this event. These 14 wrestlers along with their teammates help us every week to teach and coach our CWO youth wrestlers and we are grateful for the time and effort they give back to our youth!!

Team and Individual Pictures

Thank you to all the parents and coaches who helped make the picture night very organized. We will update everyone when the pictures are available for pick up.

Apparel Orders

Orders are currently being processed and anticipated to be done by early this week. We will send out an email when orders are complete and available for pickup. Please watch your email as you may also get a notice from SpecialTee.

Columbus Wrestling Tournament (Sunday, February 25th, 2024) – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

Our annual youth wrestling tournament will be held on Sunday, February 25th, 2024. The Columbus High School wrestling team in conjunction with the Columbus Wrestling Organization hosts this tournament every year as our primary fundraiser. This tournament requires a tremendous number of volunteers to make it a success.

A parent's meeting was held on Thursday, February 8th to discuss the tournament details and the volunteer positions we need filled along with some food donations. If you were unable to attend the meeting, you can still sign up to volunteer your time with the following links:

COLUMBUS TOURNAMENT (2024) – VOLUNTEERS Shortcut link: https://ttsu.me/columbustournament2024

COLUMBUS TOURNAMENT (2024) – FOOD DONATIONS Shortcut link: https://ttsu.me/columbustournamentfood2024

All parents are <u>expected</u> to volunteer their time at the tournament. We have enough positions available which will allow parents to volunteer when their wrestler is not scheduled to wrestle, or we also have table help positions available which are in the same gym that your wrestler will be in. We can move people around, if necessary, to allow parents to be closer to where their child wrestles.

The "Columbus Wrestling Tournament - Guide for Volunteer Positions (2024)" information document was sent out to all parents in the meeting invite email and is posted on our Team website at:

 $\underline{\text{http://www.columbuswrestling.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Columbus-Wrestling-Tournament-Guide-for-Volunteer-Positions-2024.pdf}$

CWO Registrations for the Columbus Wrestling Tournament (Sunday, 2/25/24)

CWO wrestlers are required to register and pay for the Columbus Wrestling Tournament. All entries must be made on-line via TrackWrestling. The direct link to register is below.

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY AS WE HAVE FILLED TO CAPACITY THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS !!!

Registration Link [Deadline Friday, 2/23/2023 at 11:59 PM]: https://www.trackwrestling.com/registration/TW Register.jsp?tournamentGroupId=243974132

Tournament Website: tournament.columbuswrestling.org

REMINDER: All CWO wrestlers will need to weigh in on Saturday night or Sunday morning during the designated times. If your wrestler does not weigh in, they will not be bracketed for the tournament on Sunday!

Nebraska USA Wrestling District 3 Tournament

This tournament is scheduled for Saturday, March 2nd, 2024 in O'Neill. We will be going to this tournament as a team. I am strongly encouraging **everyone** to attend this tournament and make every 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 16th and Sunday, March 17th (in Grand Island). The State Tournament is also a qualifier for the Middle School National Dual Team and the Elementary National Dual Team. Registrations must be done on-line through TrackWrestling.

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: Will be emailed out once available.

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.

<u>Satellite weigh-ins:</u> 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.

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

We have an opportunity to participate in the upcoming Huskerland State Duals on Saturday, March 9th for 3rd-5th grade and Sunday, March 10th for 6th-8th 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.

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 10th 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 will plan to take a team to this event. WE HAVE ORDERED 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.

Upcoming Team Tournaments/Events:

Sunday, February 18th, 2024 Fremont Wrestling Club Tournament (Fremont High School, Fremont)

We will be going to this tournament as a team. Forms and information are available on the Team website at www.columbuswrestling.org/tournaments. Parents are responsible for sending in form and/or registering on-line on their own including making payment.

Sunday, February 25th, 2024 Columbus Wrestling 'Anchor' Tournament (see info above)

Opportunity Tournaments:

Saturday, February 24th, 2024 North Bend Matcat Wrestling Tournament (North Bend High School) Information for this tournament is available on the team website at www.columbuswrestling.org/tournaments. This is a good local tournament for those wrestlers who would like to get some additional matches. We cannot guarantee that coaches will be at this tournament due to many being committed to helping set up for our tournament the following day.

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

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