

Information Note #8 – Week of 2/19/24**CHS Wrestling State Qualifiers**

A huge thank you to all the CWO wrestlers, parents, family members and fans who followed and supported the Columbus High School boys and girls wrestlers and their teams throughout this past season. Special thanks to those who came and supported them during the State tournament as well as those who were cheering by watching on-line or on tv.

Our CHS boys team placed 3rd in a very competitive Class A team race and had six medalists including two State Champions. Those who medaled included Brenyn Delano – State Champion, Laitenn Braithwait – 6th place, Mason Petersen – State Champion, Kaden Brownlow – 4th Place, Jaeston Delano – 2nd place and Tyler Zwingman – 6th place. This was the first time since 1991 that CHS had two State Champions in the same year.

Our CHS girls team had its very first state medalist this weekend with Ella May Shevlin finishing in 6th place. What a great accomplishment to be the first girl to have her name placed on the wall in the wrestling room.

Congratulations again to all of our State qualifiers that battled for a place on the medal stand ... they all did CWO and CHS proud! We plan to introduce our boys and girls State medalists to the CWO wrestlers at 7:15 p.m. on Thursday, February 22nd, 2024.

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.

WE HAVE HAD A GREAT RESPONSE FROM OUR PARENTS TO SIGN UP FOR VOLUNTEER POSITIONS BUT WE STILL HAVE SOME IMPORTANT VOLUNTEER POSITIONS THAT NEED TO BE FILLED. PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO SIGN UP AND HELP OUR TOURNAMENT BE A SUCCESS.

COLUMBUS TOURNAMENT (2024) – VOLUNTEERS

Shortcut link: <https://ttsu.me/columbustournament2024>

COLUMBUS TOURNAMENT (2024) – FOOD DONATIONS

Shortcut link: <https://ttsu.me/columbustournamentfood2024>

All parents are expected 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:

<http://www.columbuswrestling.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Columbus-Wrestling-Tournament-Guide-for-Volunteer-Positions-2024.pdf>

Team and Individual Pictures

Pictures are tentatively planned to be available for pick up from practice on Thursday, February 22nd. If the schedule is delayed for Thursday, they should be available at the Columbus Tournament this weekend.

Apparel Orders

Orders are completed and are available for pick up at SpecialTee.

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. Registration link is not currently active.

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.

Satellite weigh-ins: 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.

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

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 SINGLETTS 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 25th, 2024 Columbus Wrestling 'Anchor' Tournament (Columbus High School)
(see information above)

Opportunity Tournaments:

Saturday, February 24th, 2024 O'Neill Eagle Championships (O'Neill High School, O'Neill)

Information for this tournament is available on the team website at www.columbuswrestling.org/tournaments. This is a tournament for those wrestlers who would like to get some additional matches. We cannot guarantee that coaches will be at this tournament but it sounds like we may have a few there.

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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