

Information Note #5 – Week of 2/2/26

Columbus Wrestling Tournament (Sunday, February 22nd, 2026) – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

Our annual youth wrestling tournament will be held on Sunday, February 22nd, 2026. 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 will be held on Thursday, February 5th, 2026 at 7 p.m. in the CHS cafeteria to discuss the tournament details.

Parents are required to attend this meeting and are expected to volunteer their time at the tournament. Please plan to attend this meeting to sign up. We will send out a “Guide for Volunteer Positions” for the tournament help needed prior to the meeting.

CWO Parents will be relied on heavily this year for most of the Saturday duties setting up the tournament since we happen to be the day after the high school State tournament again this year. High school parents will likely be coming home from Omaha that evening and not be available for the early shift on Saturday night.

Team and Individual Pictures

When: Tuesday, February 10th, 2026 Time: 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Where: CHS Wrestling Room

Team and individual pictures for the 2026 CWO Wrestling Team have been scheduled for Tuesday, February 10th, 2026.

We are taking pictures the same as we did last year for the group photo. The photographer will be using a “green screen” photo for each of our wrestlers to make a composite group photo instead of trying to take one large group photo with over 150 kids. This will speed up the process of taking pictures that night.

Each wrestler who wants individual pictures will have that picture taken in a normal wrestling stance in our wrestling room for the backdrop followed by a “green screen” photo just standing. This will be a very fast and less hectic process for us.

We want all our wrestlers who have participated during the 2026 season to be a part of the composite group photo. If your child has not been coming regularly to practice or has stopped coming, we would still like them to come back and be in the group photo. Individual pictures are optional for all wrestlers.

To avoid long waiting times, we suggest parents us the following time *guidelines* for coming for pictures:

Session 1: 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. PreK – 2nd Grade

Session 2: 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. 3rd – 5th Grade

Session 3: 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. 6th – 8th Grade

These are *guidelines* and if it works best to come during a different session time, please feel free to do that so you can get pictures taken. If you have wrestlers in different grades, just pick one of the times and bring all your wrestlers together.

All wrestlers **MUST** wear their CWO team singlet for this picture. If you have not picked one up, we will give you one to use for pictures.

Picture packets will be passed out at practice starting Monday, February 2nd with extras available from the photographer on picture night. Packets must be filled out with payment included for picture night. ***The packets and payment will go directly to the photographer that night.***

NOTE: There will NOT be practice on this night. Only photos will be taken during this time.

CWO Wrestling Team – Free t-shirts

The free t-shirts for all CWO Wrestling Team members are still available if your wrestler has not picked theirs up at practice.

Upcoming Team Tournaments/Events:

Sunday, February 8th, 2026 *York Wrestling Club Tournament (York High School, York, NE)*

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 15th, 2026 *Fremont Wrestling Club Tournament (Fremont High School, Fremont, NE)*

We will be going to this tournament as a team. Forms and information is 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 22nd, 2026 *Columbus Wrestling Anchor Tournament (Columbus High School)*

Opportunity Tournaments:

No local tournaments available.

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

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