

Alaska State Championships---4A Wrestling

December 12 - 13, 2008

hosted by Chugiak High School

Tournament Information---Posted 11-12-08

1. Conference Meet Berths/Qualifications to State

The 2008 State 4A Wrestling tournament will be a sixteen man bracket with wrestling berths allotted as follows:

Northern Lights Conference	= 6 berths
Cook Inlet Conference	= 5 berths
Southeast Conference	= 2 berths
Mid Alaska Conference	= 3 berths

These berth allocations will be reviewed bi-annually for possible changes. For a list of schools in each conference, see the asaa.org web site "wrestling" page.

2. State Qualifier Reporting.

All conference tournament directors must submit their list of respective qualifiers to the ASAA office no later than 10:00 a.m., Sunday, December 7 Please do the following:

- A. E-mail the qualifiers to jandrews@asaa.org or fax them to 561-0720.
- B. There is no specific form to report qualifiers, but you must include the following:
 1. Weight Class
 2. First and Last Name of Wrestler
 3. School and Grade of Wrestler
 4. An alternate in each weight class in case a qualifier cannot attend.

Please include a completed bracket for each wt. class.

3. Qualifiers' Match Records.

The Individual match records and seeding forms are crucial for seeding wrestlers into the state tournament. All match records must be on the ASAA Official form (posted on website) or a similar Excel spreadsheet like the one sent to all coaches at beginning of the season. It is the responsibility of the head coach to make sure that these forms reach the ASAA office no later than Tuesday December 9 at Noon. Failure to do so may result in your athletes not being seeded.

4. Substitutions.

Once the regional list of qualifiers is submitted to ASAA, there will be no substitutions unless there are Extenuating Circumstances such as injury, illness, or ineligibility issues. In that case, the deadline for notification is 12:00 noon, Tuesday December 9.

Should a school notify ASAA that a wrestler who qualified will be unable to attend the State Tournament, the alternate listed for that conference's weight class will be contacted.

5. Wrestling Rules

This event will be conducted in compliance with the 2008-09 National Federation Wrestling Rule Book.

6. Seeding Process

ASAA will invite a committee of knowledgeable individuals to seed the tournament. This is a closed meeting and will occur at the ASAA office on Tuesday December 11. The committee will use the prioritized criteria adopted by the ASAA Board of Directors to seed the wrestlers. (See below).

At the wrestling coaches meeting, the seeding committee will announce the seeding results. The committee will ask if there are any glaring errors in the seeding and will correct any such errors as per the prioritized criteria.

Prioritized Seeding Criteria

(Revised and adopted by ASAA BOD in May 2003)

1. Results of head-to-head competition this year.
2. Record against common opponents.
3. Region Champion take precedence over other place winners in that region.
4. Contestant with exceptional record against acknowledged strong opposition.
5. Returning state champion or runner-up in any weight class.
6. Returning state-place winner in any weight class.
7. Contestant with best overall varsity record in the weight class wrestling at state.

7. Forms for participating teams

To improve efficiency and convenience, all ASAA forms are now available online and have been grouped together on the Wrestling Activity page. Go to the top of the third column (under the heading "State Tournament Information) and you will see the following forms which are required from each school:

*** **Code of Conduct Form**

*** **Academic Award Form**

Just click on the appropriate online form, fill it out by tabbing through the fields, and hit submit.

8. Passes

All wrestlers will be stamped at weighins. Coaches will receive passes at the coaches meeting based on the following allocation:

2 coaches for 1-4 athletes (actually wrestling)

3 coaches for 5-9 athletes

4 coaches for 10-14 athletes

5 coaches for 15 or more athletes

Coaches at the coaches meeting will be asked to name chaperones, drivers, and administrators who will be attending.

9. Cheerleaders

Cheerleaders will be permitted on the main floor (in designated areas) only while in uniform and wearing a tournament pass. Cheerleaders must be sitting while performing. Cheerleaders will be prohibited from standing unless approved by the Tournament Administration.

10. Exhibition Matches

ASAA will not provide time during the meet for exhibition matches.

11. Scoring

The ASAA Board of Directors approved a request from the Wrestling Coaches to score to six places. Medals will still be given to the top four places.

12. Awards

ASAA Awards will be presented at the end of the Championship round to the top four wrestlers in each weight class. The following awards will also be presented:

* **1st and 2nd place team trophies**

* **Sportsmanship Award** to team whose members and fans displayed the best behavior and sportsmanship.

* **Academic Award** to the team (of at least three wrestlers) with the highest combined GPA for the preceding semester.

* **Outstanding Wrestler** award to the most outstanding wrestler at the State Tournament.

13. State Championship Memorabilia

Memorabilia will be available at the Wrestling Championship. These items will be available during the state tournament as well as online at the asaa.org online store.

Long sleeve t-shirt	\$25.00
Souvenir Programs	\$5.00
Hooded Sweatshirts	\$50.00
Zippered Sweatshirts	\$40.00
Boxer Shorts	\$20.00
ASAA caps/beanies	\$15.00

14. Admission Prices

There are a total of Four Sessions.

Early Sessions: (9:00am start each day)

Adults - \$8 Students (Jr/Sr H.S.) - \$5

Seniors (65+) = \$5

Students under 7th grade - Free

Late Sessions (starts at 5:00 each day)

Adults - \$10 Students - \$5

Seniors (65+) - \$5

Tournament Passes good for all four sessions may also be purchased:

2 Day Event Pass: Adult = \$ 30 Student = \$ 15

