



DISTRICTS- GRADE SCHOOL AND JUNIOR HIGH



Overview

The OAC hosts District Tournaments for both Junior High and Grade School divisions. These districts are qualifiers for the OAC State Wrestling Tournament. In order to compete at the OAC State Tournament you must have qualified via certain placement at Districts. The following sections will explain registration, qualifications and other district information.

When to Register for Districts?

It's recommended that you register for an OAC District a week in advance. This avoids late registration fees and makes sure wrestlers are not left out due to full brackets/tournaments. Weight changes can be made into brackets that are not full up until the end of registration.

Other District Registration Information

If a wrestler competes at a district and does not qualify for the State Tournament (See State Qualification) they are able to compete in another district. Registration is available for these wrestlers the day after they compete at the district. This ensures a wrestler is not signed up for two districts at the same time. If a wrestler qualifies for the State Tournament, they are not able to compete in another district.

OAC District Seeding

The OAC District Tournament is a seeded tournament. This means depending on previous year's success as well as the current year Point Series standings wrestlers will be split up in the bracket. This allows the possibility that more experienced wrestlers compete against each other later in the tournament.

	Grade School Seeding Criteria	Junior High Seeding Criteria
1st	Prior Season Grade School State Placement- Same Division	Prior Season Junior High State Placement
2nd	Prior Season Grade School State Placement- Younger Division	Prior Season Divisional Junior High State Placement
3rd	Prior Season Divisional State Placement- Same Division	Prior Season Junior High District Placement
4th	Prior Season Divisional Placement- Younger Division	Prior Season Grade School State Placement (Div. 4 Only)
5th	Prior Season District Placement	Prior Season Grade School District Placement (Div. 4 Only)
6th	Point Standings	Point Standings
7th	Not Seedable	Not Seedable

OAC State Qualification

In order to qualify for the OAC State tournament wrestlers must have a certain placement at the OAC District tournament, This placement varies according to age division.

How is it Different from OAC Grade School State and OAC Junior High State?

The OAC post-season ends with Grade School State and Junior High State. For these tournaments all athletes of their age group compete in the same class without splitting up based on school size This single class tournament makes the Grade School and Junior High State a very competitive field. The Divisional State Tournament separates the tournament even further by grouping wrestlers into brackets based on the size of their feeder High School which they are affiliated with. There are 4 Age groups and 2 classes (HS size). The Age groups are based on the year they were born.

	DI	DII	DIII	DIV	JH
Qualifiers	Top 3 Place Winners	Top 4 Place Winners	Top 4 Place Winners	Top 4 Place Winners	Top 6 Place Winners
Alternates	Place Winners 4,5,6	Place Winners 5,6	Place Winners 5,6	Place Winners 5,6	Place Winners 7,8

What do I need to do after OAC District?

- 1). Non-Qualifier Non-Alternate- If a wrestler does not qualify for the State Tournament, they are able to participate in another district to attempt to qualify for the OAC State Tournament. They are able to register for another district at 9:00 am the day after the district they have just completed.
- 2). State Alternate-- If a wrestler finishes as a State Alternate, they have 72 hours after qualification to confirm or decline State participation. (Many wrestlers will compete in another district; however, they should still confirm state participation) If the wrestler intends to wrestle at another district, they will be eligible to register for another district at 9:00 am the following day.
- 3). State Qualification- If a wrestler qualifies for the OAC State Tournament they have 72 hours after qualification to confirm or decline State participation. Once a wrestler has qualified for State, they cannot enter another District tournament in the same season.