

2020 KANSAS STATE WRESTLING FOLKSTYLE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT



DATE: March 13-14-15, 2020

LOCATION: Kansas Expocentre, One Expocentre Drive, Topeka, Kansas

RULES: National Federation of State High School Association Rules with USAWA- Kansas modifications will be followed. Skin conditions, fingernails, and special equipment will be checked before entering weigh-in.

BOYS SEEDING: Boys bracket district placement on state bracket will be determined by blind draw. District registration needs to be completed one (1) hour before your Districts Seeding Meeting at trackwrestling.com.

BOYS SEEDING MEETINGS –Seeding meeting dates and times are established at the District level. At the seeding meeting, weight or age corrections or scratches may be made in all age groups, including walk-on wrestlers, prior to the start of seeding the wrestlers without requiring a penalty fee. Additional entries may be made in writing one hour prior to the published start time of the seeding meeting, but any such entrant may be required to pay a penalty fee. Once the seeding starts, no changes or additions will be allowed, except in the case of clerical errors by the tournament director.

GIRLS BRACKETS: The girl's state tournament is open to all USAWKS Eligible female wrestlers for the following divisions: 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U, High School. Girls will be bracketed using madison block weights (Round Robin and Double Elimination brackets) in accordance to the weight spread rules found here: <http://www.usawks.com/Kids/KidsModif.pdf> . Registration needs to be completed and paid online at trackwrestling.com by March 6, 2020 at 7:00pm. Registration can be found here (USAWKS 2019 MS Walk-on & Girls Pre-reg). Weigh ins will take place on Friday evening only at Friday, March 13th, 2020 from Noon-2:00pm and 6:00-7:00pm. Matches will take place according to the overall tournament schedule.

WALK ON PARTICIPANTS: According to Section III, Article II(12): All Junior High Wrestlers that were participating in a school affiliated (KSHSAA) wrestling program on the same day as a qualifier, will be permitted to wrestle in the next level tournament. Registration needs to be completed and paid online at trackwrestling.com by March 6, 2020 at 7:00pm. An eligibility review will be conducted by the 2020 State Committee on Discipline. Weigh ins will take place as described in this document with other wrestlers in your division.

WEIGH-IN: All participants' will weigh-in wearing a properly worn singlet. A nail, skin and special equipment check will be conducted before entering the weigh-in area. Emergency Contact Number: (785) 224-5161 (Mark Stanley) or (785) 823-3987 (Rich Zimmerman). If voicemail picks up, LEAVE A MESSAGE. A missed call will not be considered proper notification, but a voicemail (with time/date stamp) will be considered in any decision making process.

Friday, March 13

12:00 – 2:00 pm (all)

Friday, March 13

6:00 – 7:00 pm (remainder of 8U/10/12U)

NO SATURDAY WEIGH IN OPTION

When weighing-in, you will be required to have all paperwork and special equipment with you (mouth guard, etc). Wrestlers shall be clean shaven, with sideburns trimmed no lower than the earlobe level. If a wrestler is suspected by the referee of having a communicable skin disease or any other condition that makes participation appear inadvisable, the parent/coach shall provide current (dated within one week of the State Tournament) written documentation as defined the NFHS or USAW Kansas, from an appropriate health-care professional stating that the suspected disease or condition is not communicable and that the athlete's participation would not be harmful to any opponent. This document shall be furnished at weigh-in. The only exception would be if a designated, on-site meet appropriate health-care professional is present and is able to examine the wrestler either immediately prior to or immediately after weigh-in. Covering a communicable condition shall not be considered acceptable and does not make the wrestler eligible to participate. If a designated, on-site meet appropriate health-care professional is present, he/she may overrule the diagnosis of the appropriate health-care professional signing the medical release form for a wrestler to participate or not participate with a particular skin condition.

- Wrestlers and their families will be able to enter the facility at 10am through Exhibition Hall. You may either stay in Exhibition Hall or go into Landon Arena and be seated. However, you will not be allowed on the wrestling arena floor (Landon Arena) until your weight is called. Weigh-ins will not start until 12:00 pm.
- Wrestlers will be seated on the west side of the arena by age and weight.
- Wrestlers will be called to the floor by groups.
- If you miss your age/weight group, you will weigh in after the other groups are complete
- If you do not make weight you will be able to weigh in again after the groups are done.
- Wrestlers will be able to use all scales to try to make weight.
- Once you have made weight, you will exit to Exhibition Hall and you can either stay in that part of the building or leave.
- The Topeka Lodging Association will be hosting a BBQ from Noon-3pm just outside Exhibition Hall for participating athletes. A ticket, which will be handed out at weigh in, is required to take part.

TICKET SALES: Tickets may be purchased from the Kansas Expocentre Ticket Office during the hours listed below. Doors to the arena will open both days at 6:30 a.m. Seating will be on a first-come / first-serve basis.

Friday	March 13	10:00am – Session 1 complete
Saturday	March 14	6:30 a.m. – Session 3 complete
Sunday	March 15	6:30 a.m. – Finals

Toddlers (4 and under)	FREE
Children (5-12)	\$ 2.00 per day
Adults (13 and over)	\$ 4.00 per day

You must retain your ticket stub if you plan to exit and re-enter the Kansas Expocentre. If you lose your ticket stub, you will be required to purchase another ticket. There is no exception to this rule as the Kansas Expocentre handles all ticket sales. No saving of seats on Friday night for Saturday or Saturday night for Sunday will be allowed and all ADA handicapped seating are reserved for its intended purpose. Violation of this will result in a member of staff reminding you of the violation and you will be asked to move. Thank you for your cooperation.

COACHES MEETING: Friday, March 13 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 14 7:30 a.m.

*The meeting will be held in the coaches hospitality area in Exhibition Hall.

PARADE OF ATHLETES: The procession will start at 8:00 AM Saturday, March 14. All officials, wrestlers, and coaches should be in Exhibition Hall no later than 7:45 a.m. ready to go.

WRESTLING STARTS:

4:00 p.m.	Session1 14U & HS Division Start	Friday, March 13th
8:30 a.m.	Session2 8U, 10U, 12U Division Start	Saturday, March 14th
12:30 p.m.	Session3 14U & HS Div backside matches	Saturday, March 14th
8:00 a.m.	Session4 8U, 10U, 12U Div backside matches	Sunday, March 15th
12:00 p.m.	Session5 all 5 th place matches	Sunday, March 15th
3:00 p.m.	Session6 all championship/runner-up matches	Sunday, March 15th

SMOKING POLICY: The Kansas Expocentre is SMOKE-FREE! During all events, designated smoking will be outside the south center glass doors. Kansas Expocentre personnel will staff this area and they will provide individuals with a hand stamp. This hand stamp will allow admittance back into the facility.

PASS GATE: The pass gate is located on the south end / lower level of Landon Arena (handicap entrance). It is **REQUIRED** that anyone entering the facility **FREE OF CHARGE**, enter through the pass gate. The pass gate is for wrestlers who are participating in the tournament (arms must have the appropriate marking), coaches with 2018-19 coaches cards, officials, table workers, and press officials.

SECURITY: The Kansas Expocentre handles all of our security needs. If they find you on the floor without proper identification, you will be asked to return to the stands. Do not disagree with them, just do as they ask! Please inform your coaches and parents that to be on the floor, they must have the **correctly colored wristband visible at all times**.

COACHES: You will be allowed in the building free of charge when entering through the pass gate **provided** you have your 2019-20 (current year) coaches card with you. To be allowed onto the arena floor you **must** have the coaches' band on and visible at all times.

COACHES BANDS: A motion passed at the 2008 State Body Meeting requires any coach to have a Bronze card certification, current year USA Wrestling Coach Membership Card, be in good standing with their Club, District and State to receive a nontransferable coach's pass. You can pick up your Coaches Bands in Exhibition Hall on Friday from 10:00 am – 7:00 pm.

The Club Directors MUST submit a list of coaches names who are NOT in good-standing or will not be allowed to have a coaches pass after Districts to the State Tournament Director by email on a Deadline of Monday midnight, March 9th to Mark Stanley.

Email your list of coaches who are NOT in good standing to: Mark Stanley, Asst. Folkstyle Director at usawks.statetournament@gmail.com and Alicia Edwards, Administrative Assistant at scout682@outlook.com .

To pick up your coaches bands, you will need to provide the information listed below, at a designated table in Exhibition Hall from 10:00 am – 7:00 pm on Friday. The only other time coaches' passes will be available is at the pass gate / handicap entrance until 10:00 a.m. Saturday and 9:00am Sunday morning. In order to obtain a coaches pass, you must present the following:

1. 2019-20 Coaches Card
2. Bronze Level Certification Card (check to be sure your name is on the list on the web site prior to the Qualifying Tournament Series)
3. Identification (must be a photo ID)

TABLE WORKERS: District directors are in charge of finding table workers from their area. Club directors should contact them if you who are willing to offer your clubs assistance. District Directors are District I – Joe Knecht (913) 709-9875, District II – Richard Salyer (316) 541-2764, District III – Rich Zimmerman – (785) 823-3987, and District IV – JB Harding (785) 871-0273. Table workers **should not purchase** a ticket for the day they are working. Table workers will be admitted free only the day they are working. Table workers will be allowed floor access only for the session they are working. Table workers **must** enter through the pass gate (handicap entrance) and be wearing the correct colored wristbands. You can pick up your table workers wristbands/passes Friday evening during weigh-in from your District Director. There will be two different colored bands for each day. You are allowed on the floor **only** during the session you are working. Security and/or officials will not allow a table workers pass to be mat side coaching.

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS / FINALS ROUND: The finals round is tentatively scheduled to begin at approximately 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. **ALL WRESTLERS participating in the Parade of Champions will be required to be in a team uniform.** Before the start of the finals round, all six wrestlers will be escorted into the arena. Only those wrestlers competing for the title of "Champion" will be introduced. These wrestlers should begin lining up in Exhibition Hall at 1:30 p.m. **Remember, these times are approximate! We will begin earlier schedule permitting!**

COOLERS AND BAGS: The Kansas Expocentre will not allow **ANY food, glass containers, or coolers to be brought into Landon Arena.** They are under contract for all food, beverage, novelty, and concession services in Exhibition Hall and Landon Arena. If you bring a large bag, do not be alarmed when you are asked to open it. **BAGS MAY BE CHECKED!**

DIABETIC WRESTLERS: If you have a wrestler that is **diabetic**, the Kansas Expocentre will allow you to bring in some snacks. They will also have the necessary type of food to be available in the event of an emergency.

AWARDS / PHOTOS: Plaques will be presented as listed

16-man brackets place top 6

8-man brackets place top 4

Round robin brackets place top 3

The awards will be presented in Exhibition Hall and then photos will be taken in Exhibition Hall. J & C Imaging will be taking action photos throughout the tournament and an awards photo immediately following the presentation of the awards. They will begin taking "awards" orders for photos on Friday. Parents will be able to gain entrance to Exhibition Hall through Exit 8 (near section 125) located at the north end / upper level of Landon Arena. They will also be taking action photos throughout the tournament. If you would like to order one, you can do so in Exhibition Hall.

VIDEO CAMERAS: Video cameras will be allowed in the upper level only. **This means there are to be NO VIDEO CAMERAS on the wrestling floor during the tournament.** We ask that tripods not be used because of safety and fire codes within the Kansas Expocentre. Please try to be considerate of others watching the matches when filming. This is not the decision of the tournament directors, but your executive council!

PRESS PASSES: Press passes will be provided by Kansas Expocentre Security personnel at the Pass Gate / Handicap Entrance to individuals who are employed by their local newspaper or other recognized media outlet to cover the 2019 State Tournament and will be admitted free to the tournament and allowed on the arena floor, **provided** they have their official press card from their local newspaper or other recognized media outlet. **Letters requesting individuals to take pictures that do not have the appropriate credentials are not acceptable!** Individuals with press passes will need to enter from the south-end (handicap entrance) / pass gate to gain admission. Only the "official event photographer" will be allowed down the center of the mats.

CLUB BANNERS: Club banners may be placed around the arena, however, the Kansas Expocentre ask that they be hung with string or zip-ties only....**NO TAPE IS ALLOWED.**

MOTELS: We hope that your club has been able to locate motel rooms in Topeka. If you are having a problem, please contact the Visit Topeka, Inc. as they are notified of the availability of rooms. You can contact them at (800) 235-1030. Topeka has more than enough motels to handle our event, so please contact them if you are staying out of the area. We offer the following suggestions when booking motel reservations:

- Keep in contact with the motel throughout the year
- Do not overbook, book only approximately what you will need
- Provide a rooming list to the motel on Monday prior to state (fax it to them and then follow with the original)
- Cancel **immediately** any rooms that you will not be needing - do not hold them past Tuesday
- Club Directors, coaches, and parents - try and watch your children a little closer while at the motel
- Be responsible - you are representing your club and USAW Kansas Kids!

CAMPERS: The Kansas Expocentre does have camper electrical facilities available on the grounds at a charge of \$15 per day. They are on a first-come, first-serve basis. A dump station is available on-site. If you would like to use the camper hook-up, you will need to check in at the security entrance upon arrival.

2020 STATE PROGRAM BOOK: *new 2020* – program books will be available to print from usawks.org only; no print edition will be available the day of the tournament. As we make this transition, we will only be selling limited add space and will not be publishing team photos and memorials. We are sorry for this inconvenience. Check back in 2021 and we be back to full speed. In the interim, look for our online edition of a streamlined 2020 event program.

2020 USAWKS Board of Directors

State Chairman	Mike Juby
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2020 USAWKS STATE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

Chairman	Mark Stanley
D1 Rep	Joe Knecht
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Trackwrestling Manager	Joe Knecht
Trackwrestling Manager	Scott Edwards
Trackwrestling Assistant	Jordan Best
Trackwrestling Assistant	Daniel Reling
Trackwrestling Assistant	Steven Foster
Weigh-in Coordinators	Rich Zimmerman/Joe Knecht
Mats Coordinator	Patrick Kelly
Mats Coordinator	Jon Ray
Admin Assistant	Alicia Edwards

2020 State Committee on Discipline (Tournament Appeals)

Mark Stanley
Joe Knecht
Richard Salyer
Rich Zimmerman
JB Harding

SUGGESTIONS: If you have any comments or suggestions regarding the changes or the tournament in general, please let one of the tournament committee members know.

We wish each Kansas Wrestling Club and their wrestlers the best of luck, as we are about to start the qualifying tournaments. If you have any questions pertaining to the State Tournament or the qualifying requirements, please contact your District Director, contact members of the Tournament Committee by email, or by phone. See you at State!

Mark Stanley, Joe Knecht, Richard Sawyer, Rich Zimmerman, and JB Harding

2020 General Schedule

March 13th (Friday); 10am doors open to the public

March 13th (Friday); 12pm-2pm weigh in

March 13th (Friday); 12pm-3pm Complimentary BBQ

March 13th (Friday); 2:30pm close Landon Arena to public

March 13th (Friday); 3:00pm Doors to Landon Arena open to public

March 13th (Friday); 3:30pm coaches meeting (in coaches hospitality area)

March 13th (Friday); 4:00pm Wrestling Begins Session 1 – 14U and HS Divisions thru and including semi-final and one match out the backside

March 13th (Friday); Approximately 9pm – Session 1 ends

March 14th (Saturday); 6:30am All doors open to public

March 14th (Saturday); 7:30am coaches meeting (in coaches hospitality area)

March 14th (Saturday) 7:45am line up for parade of athletes in Exhibition Hall

March 14th (Saturday); 8:00am parade of athletes into Landon Arena

March 14th (Saturday); 8:15am National Anthem and Dignitary Introductions

March 14th (Saturday) 8:30am Wrestling Begins Session 2 – 8U, 10U, 12U Divisions thru and including semi-final and one match out the backside

March 14th (Saturday); Approximately 4pm - Session 2 ends

March 14th (Saturday); Approximately 4pm – Wrestling Begins Session 3 – 14U and HS backside (stop before placement matches)

March 14th (Saturday; Approximately 7pm – Session 3 ends (approximate)

March 15th (Sunday); 6am doors open

March 15th (Sunday); 6:30am wrestlers allowed on the mat

March 15th (Sunday); 7:00am Wrestlers For Church Worship On The Mat

March 15th (Sunday); 8am Wrestling Begins Session 4 - 8U, 10U, 12U Division backside (stop before placement matches.

March 15th (Sunday); Approximately 11:00am – Session 4 ends (approximate)

March 15th (Sunday); Approximately 11:30am – Wrestling Begins Session 5 all placement for 5th matches.

March 15th (Sunday); Approximately 12:00pm – Session 5 ends (approximate)

March 15th (Sunday); 12:00pm Awards Presentation followed by Top 6 line up for Parade of Champions

March 15th (Sunday); 1:00pm Parade of Champions

March 15th (Sunday); 2:00pm Wrestling Begins Session 6 – all Championship and runner-up matches.

***** REMEMBER, these times are approximate! We will begin earlier if we are ahead of schedule!**

EMERGENCY PHONE (during the event):

This phone number is to be used for emergency calls only! (785) 224-5161. If unavailable, please leave a message as to the nature of your emergency.

CLUB PACKET FORM

Please list below three names from your club who will be responsible for picking up your club packet on Friday evening during weigh-in. The club packet will contain participant certificates and general tournament information. Only the names listed below will be allowed to pick up the state packet, unless other arrangements are made with us.

CLUB NAME _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Please return this form by via email no later than March 9th, 2020

Mark Stanley
usawks.statetournament@gmail.com