



2023 USA Wrestling Winter Nationals

Day before Weigh-ins & Walk UP Registrations

Friday November 17, 2023 from 4 pm until 7 pm (CST)

@ Franklin Loebe Recreation Center

14650 S. Ravinia Drive Orland Park, Il. 60462

Satellite Weigh-in locations to be announced and constantly updated on the Pre-Registration section under Track Wrestling for this event

NO WALK-UP REGISTRATIONS at Satellite weigh-in locations (unless prior approval with tournament director)

Place of Wrestling:

Niles West High School-Enter thru Door #24 (Fieldhouse)

5701 West Oakton Street

Skokie, IL 60077

LIMITED BLEACHER SEATING

PERSONAL SEATING IS ALLOWED AND ENCOURAGED

Date of Tournament:

Saturday November 18, 2023 (1) day event)

- 6u/8u/10u and 10u Girls will wrestle in the morning starting at 8 am (CST)
- 6u/8u/10u and 10u Girls weigh-ins and walk-up registrations from 6:30-7:00 am (CST) on Saturday at Niles West High School-Enter thru Door #24 (Fieldhouse)
- 12u/14u and 14u Girls will wrestle in the afternoon-starting no earlier than 12:45 p.m. (CST)
- 12u/14u and 14u Girls weigh-ins and walk-up registrations from 10:30-11:30 am (CST) on Saturday at Niles West High School-Enter thru Door #24 (Fieldhouse)
- Also 12u/14u and 14u Girls (**pre-registered wrestlers ONLY**) can weigh in at the 6:30-7:00 am (CST) session with the 6u/8u/10u and 10u Girls

***10 FULL Mats of wrestling with experienced officials**
***Pre-registrations/payment/results of Tournament on Track Wrestling**

Click below to register

http://www.trackwrestling.com/registration/TW_Register.jsp?tournamentGroupId=231914132

Awards

- Champions receive a USA Gold medal & USA Champion's Shirt & Custom Bracket Board
- Runner up receives a USA Silver medal
- 3rd thru 6th place receives a USA Bronze Medal
- Trophy for Most Falls in the shortest total time
2 awarded—1 for 6u/8u/10—1 for 12u/14u

Eligibility

ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP

Wrestlers must enter their USA Wrestling Membership number when they register online. Wrestlers that do not have valid 2023-24 USA Wrestling Membership numbers will not be allowed to pre-register. Wrestlers can purchase your USA membership competitor card on line at www.usawmembership.com if you don't have a card. We will not be selling competitor cards or coach's cards at this event.

COACH MEMBERSHIP

All coaches that wish to gain access to the competition floor to coach athletes must have a current 2023-24 USA Wrestling Coaches Card which is required at this event. All USA Wrestling Coaches Membership Cards MUST be attained prior to the event, due to mandatory background checking. For a Coaches Membership Card, please visit www.usawmembership.com, or contact your state director at www.usawrestling.org. PLEASE ALLOW UP TO 30 DAYS FOR COMPLETION OF USAW COACHES MEMBERSHIP/BACKGROUND CHECK PROCESS. USA coach's cards **WILL NOT** be sold at walk up registrations or the event.

Two certified coaches' maximum allowed in each competitor's corner. MUST DISPLAY your current coach's card.

Registrations

ON-LINE REGISTRATION:

***Pre-registration fee \$55.00**

Late registration/Walk Up fee \$80.00

***Admission fees \$7 for Adults**

\$5 for Coaches & kids (8th grade and under)/5 and under free

On line registration and payment is now open on trackwrestling. Go to www.trackwrestling.com and browse the tournaments and search for the USA Wrestling 2023 Winter Nationals. Register and pay on-line thru track wrestling. If you have a problem with on-line registration and/or payment please e-mail us at bigbashwrestling.com. Entry fee is \$55.00 until 11:59 pm on Tuesday November 14, 2023 after that date late registration and walk-up registration is \$80.00 All on-line registrations are closed as of 11:59 pm on Thursday November 16, 2022. After that only walk-up registrations will be taken. If you cannot register on line for whatever reason please e-mail the tournament director at bigbashwrestling@yahoo.com

WALK-UPS:

If a Wrestler does not register before the November 18th deadline, he may walk-in at weigh-ins. The cost for Walk-ups is \$80.00 to be paid at Weigh-ins in cash. Walk-ups are only allowed at the main site weigh-ins and are NOT permitted at satellite weigh-in locations without prior approval.

CHANGING WEIGHT CLASSES:

There is NO charge to change a weight class. You may change a weight class online any time before the registration deadline. After the registration deadline you can only change a weight class at the weigh-ins. Also you may only move up or bump up (1) weight class from the one in which your actual weight at weigh-ins is.

You will be bracketed according to your actual weight at weigh-ins-There is no weight "allowances"-wrestlers must make scratch weight.

ILLINOIS WRESTLERS & Separation Choices:

If you are a wrestler from Illinois please select your appropriate IKWF Sectional under the separation criteria during registration. These choices indicate what sectional you are from in an effort to not only separate the Illinois wrestlers but to also separate wrestlers from the same sectional in the bracket. Please select the Illinois/Sectional team choice that you are rostered with for the 2023-24 IKWF season. Non-Illinois wrestlers please select unattached.

SEEDING POINTS FOR ILLINOIS WRESTLERS 10 YEARS OLD AND UNDER

Bracket Champions of this tournament will be separated (when possible based on weight disparity) in the 2024 Future Finalist tournament in February 2024 at 6u--8u ELITE--10u ELITE.

Also this event is the has the 2nd most points that you can earn for the Future Finalist Series

16 points for 1st place

12 points for 2nd place

9 points for 3rd place

5 points for 4th place

Rules of Competition

RULES: Modified National Federation Rules—Folkstyle Any matches that go into overtime will use the "old" rules: 1-minute sudden death overtime, if no score, followed by ultimate tiebreaker ride out (first to score in regulation gets choice)

Age Divisions/Period Lengths & Weight Classes

6U/TOT Born 2017-2018

Championship/Medal Matches and Consolation: 1:00-1:00-1:00
37, 40, 43, 45, 49, 53, 56, 62, 70, 70+ (15 lbs. maximum difference)

8U/BANTAM Born 2015-2016

Championship/Medal Matches and Consolation: 1:00-1:00-1:00
43, 45, 49, 53, 56, 62, 70, 85, 85+ (15 lbs. maximum difference)

10U/INTERMEDIATE Born 2013-2014

Championship/Medal Matches and Consolation: 1:00-1:00-1:00
49, 53, 56, 59, 63, 67, 71, 77, 84, 93, 105, 120, 120+ (25 lbs. maximum difference)

10U/GIRLS DIVISION (Born 2013-2016)

Championship/Medal Matches and Consolation: 1:00-1:00-1:00
BLOCKED WEIGHTS BASED ON ACTUAL WEIGH INS

12U/NOVICE Born 2011-2012

Championship/Medal Matches: 1:00-1:30-1:30-Consolation: 1:00-1:00-1:00
58, 63, 67, 70, 74, 78, 82, 86, 92, 98, 108, 117, 135, 160

14U/SCHOOLBOY Born 2009-20010

Championship/Medal Matches: 1:00-1:30-1:30-Consolation: 1:00-1:00-1:00
71, 77, 83, 87, 92, 97, 102, 106, 110, 114, 119, 125, 130, 136, 149, 165, 187, 250

14U/GIRLS DIVISION (Born 2009-2012)

Championship/Medal Matches: 1:00-1:30-1:30-Consolation: 1:00-1:00-1:00
BLOCKED WEIGHTS BASED ON ACTUAL WEIGH INS

We MAY combined brackets or combine divisions in order to get wrestlers the maximum amount of matches possible especially if you are in a 1-2 or 3 man weight class and/or division

Weigh-ins & Medical

Athletes must be present in a COMPETITION SINGLET and must submit to a skin disease screening prior to weigh-in.

No weight allowance will be given you must make "scratch" weight.

An athlete (if needed or in question) must have on his person or his coach a SKIN CONDITION EVALUATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO COMPETE form completed by a physician prior to weigh-ins and presented upon request by an official or tournament director at any time during weigh-ins or competition. Mat side officials have the final decision and are not subject to appeal in allowing an athlete to compete with a questionable skin condition. Athletes must weigh-in wearing a competition approved singlet.

Weigh-in Procedures & Satellite Weigh-ins

1. Wrestlers must pick up their weigh in card and proceed to the weigh-in line
2. Wrestlers should only have a competition singlet on when entering the weigh-in area. They must submit to a skin disease screening prior to weigh-in. Parents/coaches cannot accompany the wrestlers. They will not be allowed to carry additional clothing or anything other than the weigh-in card with them during weigh-ins.
3. Weigh-in cards must be left in the weigh-in area. Do NOT leave the weigh-in area with your weigh-in card.

SATELLITE WEIGH-INS:

There will be a number of satellite weigh-in locations that will be posted on the Pre-Registration page on Trackwrestling for this event. Satellite weigh-ins are ONLY for pre-registered wrestlers. There are NO WALK-UP registrations at satellite weigh-in locations (unless prior approval by the tournament director)

WANT TO HOST A SATELLITE WEIGH-IN?:

You can petition the tournament director at bigbashwrestling@yahoo.com in an e-mail to be considered for a satellite location. Before you petition the tournament you must have the following.

- 1.) At least 5 or more wrestlers who are competing in the tournament that will utilize your weigh-in location. They do not have to all be from the same team.
- 2.) A location that is willing to host a weigh-in for at least 90 minutes long and will not start weigh-ins before 3:00 pm. (in their time zone) the day before the tournament actual wrestling competition.
- 3.) A location MUST have one of the following physically present if selected to be a host site. Again you must have at least (1) or more.
 - 1.) A certified official/referee whose credentials can be easily verified.

- 2.) A representative from your state's wrestling organization that can be verified.
- 3.) (3) opposing coaches from wrestling clubs within your state's organization.
- 4.) Must e-mail the actual weights of the wrestlers to the tournament director within 90 minutes after the scales are closed **(not a photo of the weights sent in a text).**

Uniforms & Equipment

- Singlets with under briefs are required.

-Two-piece uniforms are **APPROVED** for this event.

*****ADDITIONAL GEAR is subject to approval of the head AND mat side officials based on USAW & federation rules*****

• **Headgear is required for ALL competitors**

- Shoes laces need to be "secured by rule so that they do not come undone during the match."
 - Hair code & fingernails will be enforced by referees.
 - Hair cover (if required) must be with wrestler at weigh-in.
- Mouth guards are NOT mandatory (this includes individuals with braces).

Rules & Bracketing

Bracketing

- ❖ Double-elimination line-bracketing with full wrestle-backs to sixth (6th) place for all divisions/weights with competitors of (7) wrestlers or more.
- ❖ Round Robin format bracketing for divisions/weights with competitors of (3-4-5-6) wrestlers. For divisions/weights with (2) competitors will be in a Best 2 out of 3 bracket.
- ❖ Referees decisions at mat side are final. There is no video challenge.
- ❖ There are NO WALK-OVERS for this event-only. This means that you MAY wrestle the same opponent more than once in the tournament.

Seeding

- 8 & 16-man brackets will seed the TOP 4
 - 32 man brackets will seed TOP 8
- You will be asked for any Folk style criteria that you achieved that would merit seeding at registration
 - * **The tournament director decision regarding all seeding matters/issues are final.**

Schedule of wrestling

- ✓ This is a (1) day tournament for all divisions.
- ✓ 6u/8u/10u and 10u Girls will wrestle in the morning session starting at 8 am until completion.
- ✓ 12u/14u and 14u Girls will wrestle in the afternoon-starting no earlier than 12:45 p.m.

Any questions or concerns need to be submitted in e-mail form to the tournament director at

bigbashwrestling@yahoo.com

Please DO NOT contact the Illinois Kids Wrestling Federation (IKWF) for any information or questions regarding this tournament since they do not run this event or have any other further information regarding this event other than what is presented in this flyer.