



OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION  
Daniel B. Ross, PH.D., Commissioner

TO: WRESTLING HEAD COACHES, ATHLETIC DIRECTORS & ASSIGNERS  
FROM: HENRY ZABORNIAK, JR, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER  
RE: DUAL TEAM TOURNAMENT & SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT BEGINNING 2012-13  
CC: DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD MEMBERS – December 14, 2010

Your OHSAA State Board of Directors adopted an additional state Wrestling Tournament beginning with the 2012-13 school year. The OHSAA will now sponsor and conduct both the historic individual tournament and the new and exciting dual or team tournament. To enter the dual team tournament a school team must fill a minimum of eight weight classes. The traditional tournament will continue to be conducted in a sectional/district/state format. In 2012-13 sectionals will begin the week of February 11, 2013 and the state tournament will be held at The Ohio State University Schottenstein Center February 28-March 2. The OHSAA dual team tournament will be conducted in a regional/state format.

The state will be divided into eight regions each having approximately 24 teams (per division). Each region will be geographically subdivided in half. Each half region will seed four teams. Regional quarterfinals will be held at the highest seeded schools on Wednesday, January 23, 2013. The winning two teams will advance to the Regional semifinals on Wednesday, January 30, 2013. One team from each semi-final will advance to the regional finals held on Wednesday, February 6, 2013. Eight Regional Champions per division will meet on Saturday, February 9, 2013 to wrestle for the OHSAA Dual TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP. The state tournament site is yet to be determined.

We anticipate that this communication will reach you with enough notice in order for you to modify any anticipated schedule so that it does not conflict with these tournament dates. Additional information will be forthcoming as our Team Tournament planning and implementation advisors provide recommendations to the OHSAA Board of Directors.

Currently there are 600 OHSAA member high schools that sponsor wrestling for approximately 14,000 student-athletes. By sponsoring a true team tournament we anticipate more youngsters participating in the future. We believe that interscholastic athletic programs enrich each student's educational experience, promote good citizenship, healthy lifestyles and academic achievement.

Best wishes in all you do.

**Advisors:**

**Coaches:** John Riggs, Hilliard Bradley; Troy Roth, Montpelier; Gary Wise, Beaver creek;  
Frank Baxter, Fairmont; Bill Roll, Versailles (retired)

**Athletic Directors:** Mike Dellapina, Hamilton; Cal Adams, Marysville

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**State Tournament Manager:** Dr. Bruce Maurer

**Director of Wrestling Officiating Development:** Jim Vreeland, Oak Harbor