

## 2023 NYWA Region 3 K-6 Team Tournament Flyer & Information Packet

**NYWA Team Region 3 Tourney Overview:** The following information is geared for coaches and teams considering registering and for teams already planning to attend the 2023 NYWA Region 3 K-6 Team Tournament on March 26, 2023. We are hoping to grow the # of teams participating in our tournament this year to at least 12 teams. In 2020, NYWA instituted a new policy that allocates more qualifying spots based on the total # of teams that will attend that Region tournament. The more teams that register/participate, the more qualifying spots each region receives.

**Date/Location:** Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at Waconia High School at 1650 Community Drive, Waconia, MN 55387.  
**NOTE:** This is a change from the 2022 tournament that was held at Waconia Middle School. We are BACK at Waconia High School in 2023.

**Registration Process, Cost & Deadline:** Registration for this tournament must be done online via the NYWA website at <https://members.nywa-mn.com/>. Login (or create a new account) and go to "Tournaments", click "Team Tournaments", click "K-6 Region Tournament", and then complete the form with your information on it. Last, you will be required to pay the Tournament cost of \$200 to officially register your team. For new teams, we are looking for a "verbal" commitment to this year's tournament no later than March 1<sup>st</sup> this year to the Tournament Director (email to Jeff Katherman at [jkatherm21@yahoo.com](mailto:jkatherm21@yahoo.com)). The official (online) registration deadline submission (including payment) must be received by March 12th via the NYWA website.

**NYWA Roster Eligibility Rules:** The full description of team rules can be found at the following link <http://www.nywa-mn.com/team-rules/>. If you have questions on roster eligibility, email [nywateam@gmail.com](mailto:nywateam@gmail.com).

**NYWA Team Weight Classes:** There are 15 weight classes for each dual match as follows: 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 84, 88, 93, 102, 115, 130 and 130+ (or 215lbs max). Wrestlers can bump up 1 weight class, as per MSHSL rules.

**NYWA Membership Cards:** Please make sure all your wrestlers have purchased their NYWA cards. To wrestle and be on the final roster of our team event, they must have an NYWA member ID and card. Our event does not sell them on site; however, they are available online only for those wrestlers who did not attempt to qualify for NYWA individually. Go to <http://www.nywa-mn.com/membership>.

**Roster Submissions / Changes:** Rosters must be entered on the NYWA website no later than Sunday, March 19th. To fill out your roster, go to <https://members.nywa-mn.com/>. Login with the same account as you registered your K-6 team. Go to "Tournaments", then "Team Tournaments", then "K-6 Region Tournament". Last, you will see a page that says, "Please complete your roster". Scroll down and you will be able to list your starters and alternates. 21 total wrestlers are allowed (15 starters + 6 alternates). Please also list your 5 total coaches (Head Coach + 4 Additional Coaches). We will use these roster submissions to create programs for fans and to use as official registration sheets for weigh ins. You will receive 5 allotted coaching wristbands for the Hospitality Room. Any roster changes can be made up through weigh-ins, assuming they have already purchased their NYWA Card.

**Seeding Process:** This tournament will be seeded 1 – X (depending on the # of teams attending). Upon the March 10<sup>th</sup> registration deadline, the seeding process will be communicated separately to the team coaches. However, the process is as follows:

- Seeding resumes will be requested for submission by March 13<sup>th</sup>
- A consolidated summary (ballot) of team seed resumes will be sent to all coaches for their votes by March 15<sup>th</sup>. Seeding votes will be due back to the Tournament Director by March 17<sup>th</sup>
- Seeding results will be sent to the coaches and NYWA not later than March 20<sup>th</sup> and will be final

**Team Weigh-In Rules:** For any wrestler that qualifies & participates in the NYWA Individual Region 3 Tournament (which will ALSO be held in Waconia this year) on March 25th, their weigh-in will count for the Region 3 K-6 Team Tournament and no additional weigh-in will be required unless they are wrestling a different weight class. The Region 3 Individual Tournament will be recording all weigh-ins and storing them via trackwrestling.com for record keeping. Any team wrestlers that wrestle at another Regional Individual Tournaments (1, 2, 4, or 5) MUST WEIGH-IN AGAIN on March 26<sup>th</sup> at Waconia to participate in our Region 3 Team Tournament. Other team wrestlers that did not participate in the Region 3 tournament must weigh-in on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Per NYWA rules, ZERO weight allowance granted at either the Individual Regional (on March 25<sup>th</sup>) or the K-6 Team Regional (on March 26<sup>th</sup>) above the designated team weight class for each wrestler. Example: To wrestle 45lbs, the wrestler must weigh 45.0 or less. If they weigh 45.1, they may wrestle 50 or 55lbs.

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**Weigh-In Logistics, Skin Checks and Admissions:** Weigh-ins will go from 7:00am – 8:00am and teams must weigh-in together. Doors will open at 6:30am. Weigh-ins and skin checks will be in the hallway nearby the admissions/check-in table as you arrive. All wrestlers must pass skin checks which will be conducted by MSHSL referees. If there are any skin issues noted, the head referee will make the final call on individual wrestler eligibility when he arrives for the coaches meeting. All coaches and teams will have a special check-in separate from the general admissions table. You will be allowed free admission for 5 coaches per team + 1 table worker who will all get wristbands that will allow entry into the Hospitality Room. All other coaches and spectators will have to pay the entry fee. Coaches must email Jeff Katherman each of your 5 coaches prior to the tournament who will get the wristbands. As soon as your team is fully assembled and ready for weigh-ins at your designated time, please bring them in together with a coach leading the procession to the weigh-in room.

**NYWA Team State Tournament Details:** Qualifying teams win a spot in the NYWA K-6 Team State tournament, which will take place the weekend of March 31 – April 2nd. See the [NYWA website](#) for all information around the NYWA State weekend.

**Wrestling Tournament Summary Schedule (all times listed are *TENTATIVE* pending final registration of teams):**

- Weigh-Ins: 7:00-8:00am
- Coaches Meeting: 8:30am
- Round of 16 – 9:00am
- Quarterfinals – 10:00am
- Consolation Quarterfinals – 11:15am
- Semifinals & Consolation Semifinals – 12:15pm
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, 5<sup>th</sup> Place, 7<sup>th</sup> Place Matches – 1:15pm

**Coaches Meeting:** After weigh-ins, there will be a coaches' meeting beginning at 8:30 in the Coaches' / Referee's Hospitality Room.

**1 Table Worker Per Team Required:** Similar to past years, participation in this tournament requires that each team provide at least 1 table worker per dual to assist with scorekeeping and table clock/scoreboard operations. Each table worker will receive 1 free wristband for hospitality room access.

**Exhibition Matches & Other Logistics Info:** No exhibition matches will be held to allow the tournament to stay on track and accommodate venue schedule commitments. All wrestling will be in the main gym on full mats (assuming 9-12 team tournament & 5 rounds). If more than 12 teams register, timing and mat size (1/2 mats) will likely change and will be adjusted. The final schedule and bracket with the # of rounds and bracket format will be shared after the seeding process is complete.

**Hospitality Room & Concessions:** There will be a full Hospitality Room reserved for 5 coaches per team, table workers, referees and other volunteers organized by our parents. The 5 coaches will get wristbands upon entry at the door. There will also be full concessions all day.

Thank you, and we look forward to another fun and exciting NYWA K-6 Team Region Tournament for our wrestlers, coaches and fans!

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