



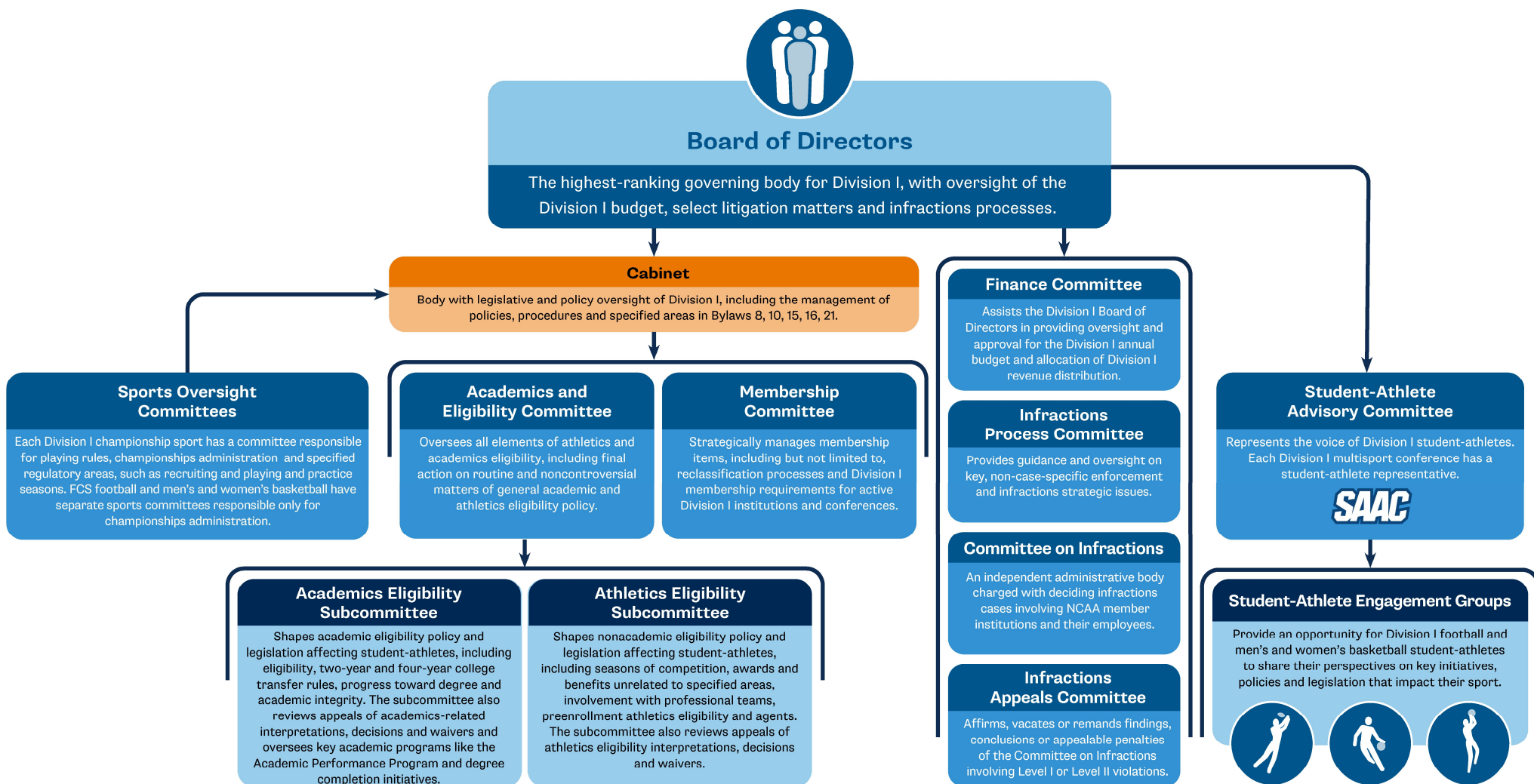
National Collegiate Women's Wrestling Coaches Convention Updates

Updated July 31, 2026



Year 2!

NCAA Division I Governance Structure



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National Collegiate Legislative Process

- Each national collegiate sport committee maintains their current composition with Division I, II and III members.
- National collegiate committees may address playing rules and championships administrative items.
- If a national collegiate championship sport would like to request legislative changes in a certain division, those requests must go through that division's legislative process.

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DI Key Dates for Consideration of Legislation in Other Areas

	July '25	Aug. '25	Sept. '25	Oct. '25	Nov. '25	Dec. '25	Jan. '26	Feb. '26	March '26	April '26	May '26	June '26
Proposal Introduction Deadline	July 9* or June meeting**			Oct. 16* or October meeting**			Jan. 14* or Jan. meeting**		March 25* or April meeting**			
Publication	July 30			Oct. 23			Jan. 28			April 1 & 22		
Initial Feedback/Comment Period	July 30-Aug. 22			Oct. 17-Nov. 29			Jan. 15-March 1		March 26-May 3			
Oversight Committee Review/Action*		Aug. 24-29				Dec. 1-8			March 2-6		May 4-11	
Committee Action Published			Sept. 2			Dec. 11			March 11		May 14	
Additional Comment Period			Sept. 2-Oct. 6			Dec. 11-Jan. 13			March 11-April 13		May 14-June 22	
Cabinet Meeting and Review**				Oct. 7-8			Jan. 14			April 14		June 23-24

*Applies to oversight committee.

**Applies to Cabinet.

— October Legislative Cycle

— January Legislative Cycle

— April Legislative Cycle

— June Legislative Cycle

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Legislative Process Cont.

1. National collegiate committee recommends rules changes.
2. Membership receives two-week comment period (commissioners, ADs, head coaches).
3. NC committee reviews comment period results for an opportunity to rescind any recommendation.
4. Recommended rules changes and comment period results sent to DII/DIII PROP for approval.
 - No other approval above the NC committee for DI unless there's potential financial implications (may need to go to the DI Cabinet for approval).

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Division I Recruiting Calendars

WOMEN'S WRESTLING

Dead Period

NOV 9-12

Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Dead Period

JUL 26 - AUG 1

Monday before the National Wrestling Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention.

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Division 2 Recruiting Calendars

Division II Football

Dec. 1 (7 a.m.)-Dec. 3 (7 a.m.) for two-year college prospective student-athletes who intend to enroll midyear.

**SIGNING DATE
DEAD PERIOD**

Feb. 2 (7 a.m.)-Feb. 4 (7 a.m.)

**SIGNING DATE
DEAD PERIOD**

All Other Sports

Nov. 10 (7 a.m.)-Nov. 12 (7 a.m.) for all other high school prospective student-athletes.

**SIGNING DATE
DEAD PERIOD**

Applicable Definitions

CONTACT PERIOD

A contact period is that period of time when it is permissible for authorized athletics department staff members to make in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts and evaluations.

SIGNING DATE DEAD PERIOD

A signing date dead period is that period of time when it is not permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts or evaluations on or off the member institution's campus or to permit official or unofficial visits by prospective student-athletes to the institution's campus.

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Division I – Transfer Windows

Winter Sports Other Than Basketball, Ice Hockey, Men's Wrestling, and Indoor Track and Field.

A student-athlete must provide written notification of transfer during a 45 consecutive-day period beginning seven days after championship selections are made in the sport.

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Other Legislative Items

- Age-Based Eligibility Legislation
- Ghost Transfers
- Decentralization of Legislation

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Questions?

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Championship Administration

Championship Manager

- Ryan Tressel, Director Championships & Alliances.
 - 14 years at NCAA.
 - 9 years with Division II Men's Wrestling.
 - 2 years assisting with Division I Men's Wrestling.





Women's Wrestling National Committee

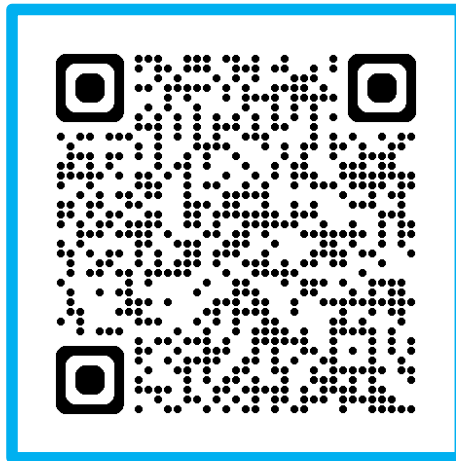
Clarissa Chun	Iowa	Coach	DI	
Lisa Goddard McGuirk	Fort Hays State	Admin	DII	
*Oscar Ramirez	Colorado Mesa	Admin	DII	Chair
Cody Griswald	Elmira	Coach	DIII	
Mark Hawald	Carroll (Ohio)	Coach	DIII	
Jeff McGuinnes	Simpson	Coach	DIII	





Institutional Contact Information

- Make sure contact information is updated in the membership database from your institution.
- This is how championship information is sent for “selections”.





Women's Wrestling National Committee

How to get on the committee?

- DI – Conference nomination through conference office.
- DII/DIII – Self nomination through [online portal](#).
- DIII Committee has been formed – more info later in session.





Women's Rules Committee

Currently, National Committee is also the Rules Committee.

- **Playing rules book is updated by the NCWW.**
- **National Committee then can make modifications, if necessary.**



Women's Wrestling Key Positions

Rules Interpreter.

- **Jackie Paquette.**
- **Interprets the rules set forth in the rules book.**
- **Separate role than NWCA role.**



National Assigner.

- **Sammy Julian.**
- **Assigns post-season tournaments.**





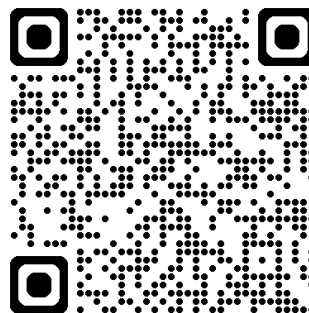
Women's Wrestling Information/Updates

Monthly newsletter.

- Work with your athletic administration to make sure you are on list for championships monthly newsletters otherwise email:
 - NCAAchampsnewsDI@ncaa.org
 - NCAAchampsnewsDII@ncaa.org
 - NCAAchampsnewsDIII@ncaa.org

Championship landing page.

- **Pre-championships manual.**
- **Host operations manual.**
- **Committee Roster.**
- **Rules Book.**
- **Other information.**





Women's Wrestling Information

Must meet minimum criteria in order to enter participants into the regional tournament.

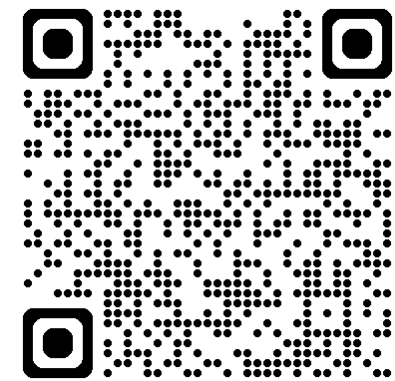
- 7 countable competitions with at least 6 participants.
- Not to be confused with sport sponsorship, which is determined per division and used to determine if you sponsor the sport.
 - DI 13 competitions 7 participants
 - DII 9 Competitions 6 participants
 - DIII 7 competitions 6 participants
- Clarification regarding club team competition
 - In an individual tournament, there must be one other NCAA/NAIA, 4-year school.
- Duals
 - DI Up to 3 in a day.
 - DII No daily limit in a day (still have overall countable contest max).
 - DIII Up to 2 in a day.



Travel Information

Travel (National Collegiate follows DI policies).

- Regional.
 - **Not paid by NCAA. Schools are on own.**
- Final Site.
 - **Current policies (subject to change for 2026-27):**



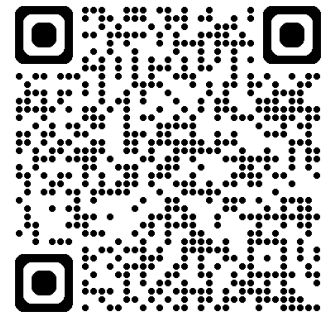
Allowable Non-Athlete	Per Diem Rate	Per Diem	Ground Transportation
1 NA for 1-3 individuals 2 NA for 4-6 individuals 3 NA for 7-9 individuals 5 NA for 10+	\$215 (\$315 for high cost city)	Standard team per diem for all eligible travelers for finals only.	57 cents per mile per person (subject to change with current market)



Championship Format

General format information (same as last year).

- **180 qualifiers to final site.**
- **6 regions.**
- **30 qualifiers from each region (top 3 in each weight class).**
- **Each team can enter one wrestler for each weight class (total of ten per team).**
- **Regionals.**
 - Seeding through Trackwrestling by coaches similar to previous years.
 - Two-day tournament.
- **Championship date formula.**
 - Finals – First full weekend in March (Thursday-Saturday).
 - Regionals – Two weeks prior to finals.





Future Championships

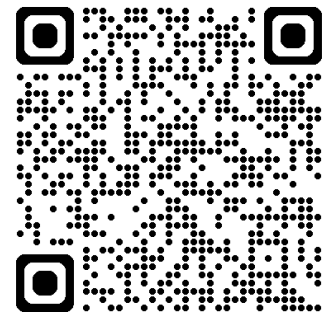
2027 Championship – Xtream Arena, Coralville, Iowa.

- **Dates – March 7-8, 2027.**
- **Hotels will be assigned/limited per formula.**
- **Currently on ESPN+**



2028 site and beyond.

- **Any other facilities with team space?**
- **DIII starting own championship.**
- **Would need to be "invited" by Division I/NC.**





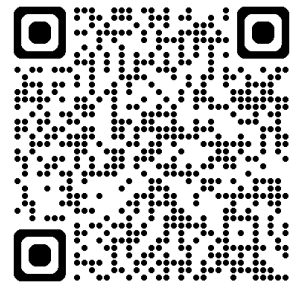
Future Championships - Regionals

2027 Regionals.

- 2-day event (between February 19-21, 2027).
- Open bids solicited (not a lot of bids).

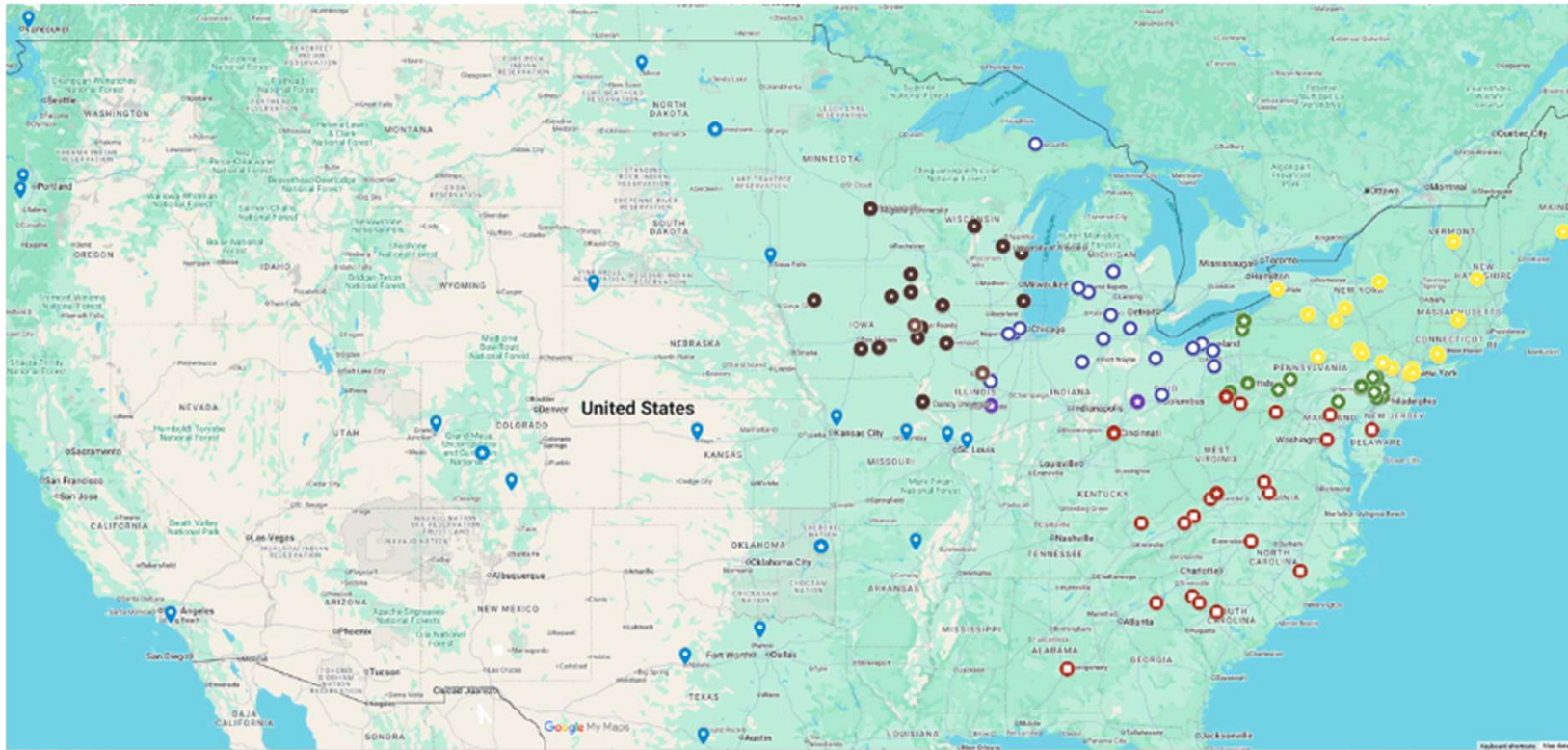
2028 Regionals and beyond.

- Still TBD but committee will look to have interested hosts submit bids.
 - **Typically, this may be done January through championship so committee can make recommendation at annual meeting.**
 - **2028 may look different due to initial year of DIII Championship.**





2027 Final Regional Model



Committee guiding principles:

- Geography.
- Balanced (as possible) distribution of teams.





2027 Final Regional Model

*Green font indicates regional host site.

21	21	22	21	21	21
Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4	Region 5	Region 6
1 Alfred State, NY	Albright College, PA	Allen, SC	Adrian College, MI	Augsburg, MN	Adams State, CO
2 Buffalo State, NY	Alvernia, PA	Bluefield State, WV	Albion, MI	Augustana (IL), IL	Chadron, NE
3 Centenary, NJ	Arcadia	Concord University, WV	Alma, MI	Blackburn College	Colorado Mesa, CO
4 D'Youville, NY	Bethany, WV	Delaware State, DE	Aurora, IL	Buena Vista, IA	Fort Hays State, KS
5 East Stroudsburg, PA	Cedar Crest, PA	Emmanuel University, GA	Baldwin Wallace, OH	Carthage, WI	Jamestown, ND
6 Elmira College, NY	Chatham University, PA	Emory & Henry, VA	Davenport	Central College, IA	Lindenwood, MO
7 Emmanuel College, MA	Delaware Valley, PA	Fairmont St.	Elmhurst	Coe College, IA	Linfield University, OR
8 Felician, NJ	Eastern, PA	Frostburg State, MD	Grand Valley State, MI	Cornell College, IA	Lyon College
9 Ithaca College, NY	Gannon, PA	Greensboro College, NC	Heidelberg	Dubuque, IA	McKendree, IL
10 Kean University, NJ	Gettysburg	Huntingdon, AL	Hiram, OH	Eureka, IL	McMurry
11 Keystone College	Lehigh, PA	King University, TN	Illinois Wesleyan	Iowa, IA	Minot State, ND
12 Lock Haven, PA	Mercyhurst University, PA	Lincoln Memorial, TN	John Carroll, OH	Lakeland, WI	Northeastern State, OK
13 Maine Maritime, ME	Muhlenberg, PA	Marymount, VA	Manchester, IN	Loras College	Pacific University, OR
14 Misericordia, PA	Penn State Altoona	McDaniel, MD	Milikin, IL	Luther College	Schreiner, TX
15 New England College, NH	Penn West Edinboro	Mount Olive, NC	Mount Union, OH	MSOE	Simon Fraser, BC
16 Norwich, VT	Pittsburgh at Johnstown	Mount St. Joseph, OH	North Central College, IL	Quincy, IL	Sioux Falls, SD
17 Sacred Heart, CT	Point Park University	Newberry College	Northern Michigan, MI	Simpson, IA	Texas Woman's, TX
18 Bridgeport, CT	Ursinus, PA	Presbyterian, SC	Otterbein, OH	Upper Iowa, IA	Vanguard, CA
19 Utica, NY	Washington & Jefferson	Randolph, VA	Tiffin, OH	UW Oshkosh, WI	Western Colorado, CO
20 Western New England, MA	West Liberty, WV	Southern Virginia, VA	Trine, IN	UW Stevens Point, WI	Westminster College
21 Wilkes, PA	York College of PA	Waynesburg	Wittenberg, OH	Wartburg, IA	William Jewell, MO
22		Wheeling University, WV			
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Committee guiding principles:

- Geography.
- Balanced (as possible) distribution of teams.
- Evaluate yearly if additions or subtractions.





Regional Sites and Dates

Region	Host	Regional Dates
Region 1	Ithaca	February 19-20, 2027
Region 2	Lehigh	February 19-20, 2027
Region 3 (No Sunday Play)	Emmanuel (GA)	February 19-20, 2027
Region 4	Tiffin	February 19-20, 2027
Region 5	Wis.-Stevens Point	February 20-21, 2027
Region 6	Fort Hays St.	February 19-20, 2027

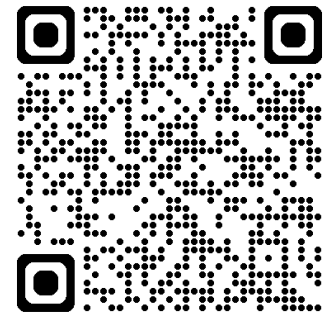




Updates for 2027 Championships

Bracket redraw policy.

- **The official verification deadline for weigh-ins to allow for a redraw of the bracket up until immediately after weigh-ins for regionals. This allows the tournament committee to redraw the bracket should there be any missed weight, failed skin checks, injuries, etc.**





Final Site Lodging Reminder

NCAA will assign hotels for each team.

- The maximum number of hotel rooms will be determined by a formula.
- Teams cannot book their team needed hotel anywhere else and must wait until prompted.
- Monday after regional competition, information will be emailed out to head coaches (SWA and Director of Athletics will be copied) with system information to submit for hotel room (along with other items like credentials, etc.) in the NCAA system.

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Number of Qualifiers	Number of Hotel Rooms
1-3	5
4-5	6
6-7	7
8-9	8
10	9



Regional and Final Site Seeding

Regional Seeding

Similar to previous years – online Trackwrestling system.

Information will be sent out mid-February to coaches.

Rank 10, seed 8. Pigtails will be static.

- Default to the lowest seed and go up.

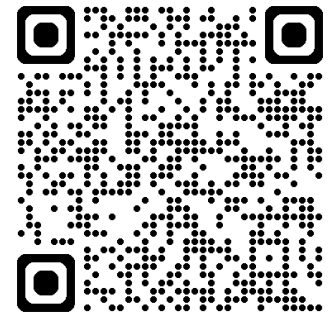
Final Site Seeding

Similar to previous years – online Trackwrestling system.

Final site seeding committee (2 reps per region) recommends final site seeding to National Committee.

Rank 10 seed 8. Pigtails will be static to the lowest seeds.

- Pigtail matches do score team points.





Bracketing

Regional Bracketing

No true matches.

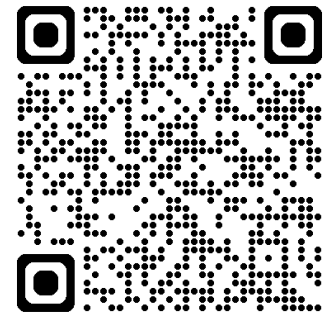
Seeding meeting onsite night before.

Final Site Bracketing

A "Bracket Reveal show" is currently being planned to be streamed. Link to show will be provided prior.

Footage may be requested from select schools.

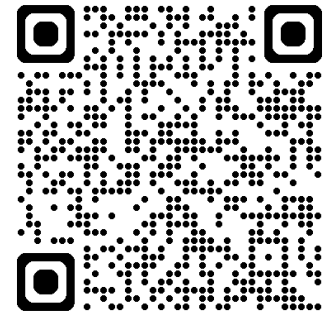
Tentatively Friday afternoon (week before).





Final Site Championship Tickets

- Option for teams to purchase reserved tickets for their fans prior to going on public sale.
- Email will be sent out to head coaches regarding ticket purchasing.
- Teams **DO NOT** have to do this option.
- More details to come.

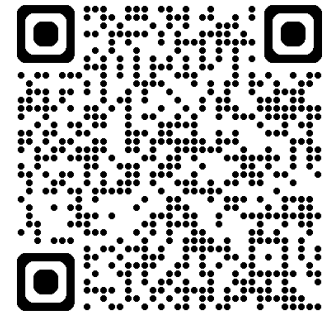




Division III Championship - 2028

Division III approved to start their own championship in 2028.

- **DIII Committee just named and will be working on details of championship.**
 - # of qualifiers (which will lead into # of regionals, format, schedule, etc.).
 - Final site (or if at same as DI/NC).





Division III Committee

Six-member committee:

- | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| • Peter Di Pol | Bethany | Coach |
| • Joe Norton | North Central | Coach |
| • Joseph Jamison | Ursinus | Coach |
| • Gregory Lott | Otterbein | Administrator |
| • Eric Van Kley | Central College | Administrator |
| • Tricia Carver | Maine Maritime | Administrator |





NC Women's Wrestling

With the split off of Division III, details will need to be determined for NC Women's Wrestling.

- **Items like # of qualifiers which will lead to # of regionals, other format details.**



Ideas and Questions?



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