



REPORT OF THE
NCAA WOMEN'S WRESTLING COMMITTEE
JULY 23, 2026, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Regional assignments.**

- a. Recommendation. Assign institutions to one of the six regions as specified in the attachment.
- b. Effective date. Immediate.
- c. Rationale. With the recent approval of six regions, the committee discussed the model in which teams will be assigned to a region. Among the committee's goals was to balance the number of teams per region as closely as possible while adhering to geographical proximity. The committee will review these assignments annually as sport sponsorship grows, but members believe this recommendation represents a good starting point.
- d. Estimated budget impact. For women's wrestling regionals, institutions are responsible for all travel (this includes transportation, food and lodging), so the only budget impact would be for each individual school to travel to their respective regional, which in some cases may mean a flight. The committee will continue exploring ways to increase the number of qualifiers, which could increase the number of regions, which in turn could create fewer teams per region and help create smaller geographic regions, subsequently reducing travel for some of the participating institutions along with lower travel costs.
- e. Student-athlete impact. The regions are proposed with the intent to mitigate travel as much as possible. In some cases there will be flights, but overall it keeps a good balance of the teams across the regions. This format would allow for more opportunities for student-athletes and continued growth of the sport.

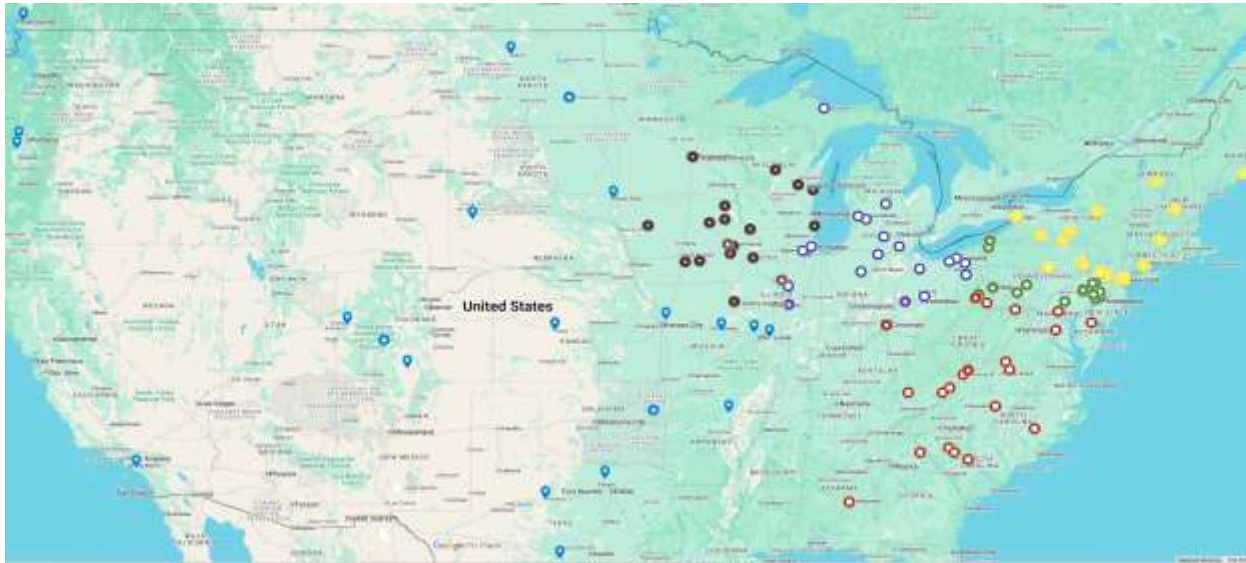
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- None.

Committee Chair: Oscar Ramirez Hernandez, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain
Athletic Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Ryan Tressel, Championships & Alliances

NCAA Women's Wrestling Committee July 23, 2026, Electronic Vote	
Attendees:	
Mark Hawald, John Carroll University.	
Jeff McGinness, Simpson College.	
Lisa Goddard McGuirk, Fort Hays State University	
Oscar Ramirez, Colorado Mesa University.	
Absentees:	
Clarissa Chun, University of Iowa.	
Cody Griswold, Elmira College.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:	
Leslie Havens, Championships and Alliances.	
Ryan Tressel, Championships and Alliances.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Jackie Paquette, Rules Interpreter.	

2027 Regional Alignment for 6-Region Model



	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	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	University of 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