

## **Hawkeyes lead NCAA in Attendance for 12th consecutive season**

**IOWA CITY, Iowa** -- The University of Iowa wrestling program led the nation in attendance for the 12th consecutive season according to the Division I attendance report released Tuesday by The Open Mat and Mat Talk Online.

Iowa averaged 8,996 fans and led the country in total attendance with 71,966 fans attending eight home dates. The Hawkeyes averaged at least 8,000 fans for the 10th consecutive season.

Iowa was involved in the three highest attended duals this year; at Penn State (15,998), at Ohio State (15,117) and at home against Oklahoma State (13,485).

The Hawkeyes have led the nation in attendance in each of head coach Tom Brands' 12 seasons.

NCAA Division I Wrestling Attendance Top 10 for 2017-18:

<b>Rank</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Avg.</b>
1.	<b>IOWA</b>	<b>8996</b>
2.	Penn State	7693
3.	Ohio State	6681
4.	Rutgers	4680
5.	Fresno State	4566
6.	Iowa State	3361
7.	Oklahoma St.	3152
8.	Lehigh	2705
9.	Michigan	2615
10.	Minnesota	2185

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