

Good afternoon,

First, If you'd like to be removed from this email list please let me know. This email group is created for parents, friends, family, alumni, and sponsors of Neosho Wrestling, so I can share information, successes, and upcoming events and so email me also if you have someone who would like to receive our updates with our 2018-2019 season.

I'm excited to announce we have 170 warriors participating in Neosho Wrestling this year. Our program consists four levels and the numbers we have at each of them is encouraging. The first level of the program is our youth and they had 85 start last night. The next level is our JH and we are currently about 45 and they will begin compete this week. The third level is our HS and with the success of our football program it's hard to know what our final number will be but I'm anticipating 15 more kids to join the 15 we have now for a total of 30. Then our fourth and final level has seven alum competing in colleges and universities across the country. I am excited about these numbers but we must really work on retaining them. Wrestling is a tough sport and the training the next few weeks will be very challenging. Any encouragement and support you can provide these kids would be great.

Come and support our JH Thursday night! They will kick off our local wrestlers at Joplin Middle School at 5:30 pm.

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Thank you in advance for supporting Neosho Wrestling this season! If you supported us with a sponsorship this spring your thank you letters, passes, etc will be mailed to you soon. If you didn't have an opportunity to sponsor us, you still can. Just email me this week and or get with a HS wrestler as they just began to collect sponsors for our poster project.

Sponsorship Levels 2018-2019

\$25 – Takedown Club name on wrestling program inserts
\$50 – NearFall Club name on wrestling program inserts & on team webpage (1000's of views monthly)
\$100 – TechFall all of the above plus 2 wrestling passes for all home wrestling events
\$200 – Pin Club all of the above plus 4 passes & scrolling advertisement on team webpage
\$500 – State Champion Club all of the above and advertisement on Team Posters
\$1,000(+) – All-American Club all of the above, 2 team t-shirts, and recognition at our Home Dual on 1/3/18.

Team Poster/Schedule Sponsor

\$100 – Ad or personal message
State Champion Club and All-American Club Sponsors

Upcoming Events:

This week:

Nov 8 JH at Joplin Middle School for dual with Joplin and Carthage 5:30 pm
Nov 10 JH at Columbus High School gym (High School St.) for Columbus Tournament 8 am.

Next week:

Nov 13 JH at Mac Co. JH gym for dual with Mac and Nevada 5:30 pm
Nov 15 JH HOME at our HS gym for dual with Ozark 5:30 pm
Nov 16 JH and HS pictures at our practice facility
Nov 17 HS Weight Certification at Freeman Sports Medicine Clinic

Two weeks:

Nov 19 JH at Webb City for dual with Webb and Monett 5:30
Nov 20 HS Parent Meeting 5 pm and HS Wrestle-off and 5:30 pm

I encourage you to like and follow our Facebook pages:

Neosho Youth Wrestling
Neosho High School Wrestling
JH parents we also have created a Neosho JH Wrestling for communicating specific info for this season.

Recent Meeting Info:

Parent Meeting Info:

Neosho Wildcat Wrestling

2018-2019

Review of OUR Program in 2018 and OUR Tradition

Junior High Team

13-0 Dual Record

2nd Place Columbus Tournament

2nd Place COC Tournament

Neosho Youth Team Highlights

7 National Medalist (5 Novice Tourney) – 118 since WXT est. 18 years ago

20 State Qualifiers – 429 since WXT est. 18 years ago

6 State Medalist – 229 since WXT est. 18 years ago

Neosho Youth Team - All-Time Records

3A Team State Champions 2006 & 2007

34 State Qualifiers 2012 and 33 in 2006

117 State Team points – 2006

10 State Finalists – 2006

7 State Champions – 2006

20 National Medalists – 2006

State Medalist in a season 21 of 25 qualifiers – 2005

Best State Teams: 10th Place 2015; 9th Place 2009; 6th Place 2010 & 2013; 5th Place 2002, 2003, 2004, & 2008; 3rd Place 2005 & 2012; State Runner-up 2011; **& State Champions 2006 & 2007**

High School Team Highlights

10-0 Dual Record

Neosho Tournament - Champions

Missouri Dual - Champions

Kansas City Stampede – 6th Place out of 40 teams (Top tournament in the Nation)

Granite City, Illinois Holiday Tournament – Champions

Branson Invitational Tournament – Champions

Central Ozark Conference – Champions

District Champions

State Runner-up

High School State Finishes the Last Decade

2008 4th Place, 2009 2nd Place, **2010 State Champions, 2011 State Champions (ranked 34th in country), 2012 4th Place, 2013 State Champions (32nd in the country), 2014 State Champions ranked (24th in country), 2015 State Champions (12th in the country), 2016 State Champions**

(43rd in country), 2017 State Champions, and 2018 2nd Place.

Collegiate Level – currently 7 alumni competing

We had two seniors decide to continue their wrestling at the next level. Joey Williams will be at Maryville University and Adrian Hitchcock will be at Lindenwood University. They will be joining the rest of our collegiate wrestlers - Div I - Sam Williams – Army (West Point) 2015 and Kyler Rea - West Virginia 2016; and Div II, JUCO, NAIA wrestlers - Zachary Plummer - Lindenwood University 2017, Dalton Kivett - Briar Cliff University 2017. Each of these young people will look to add to our program totals of 14 Collegiate All-Americans and 4 National Champions.

Dear Wrestling Parents:

Welcome to the sport of WRESTLING; a sport like no other. I believe it is one of the greatest sports ever because of the ways it helps young men/women shape their character, develop self-esteem, improve discipline, and strengthen their will to succeed. It is a very intense, demanding, and physical sport. Our practices are designed to prepare us technically, physically, and mentally. They are never necessarily fun but rather a necessity to develop the habits and toughness that allows each wrestler to compete at their very best and move closer to obtaining their/our goals. Goal setting and understanding the ingredients necessary to reach goals that are set is one of many things I think is important to our progression as a program. One of many valuable lessons for our staff is making sure our wrestlers learn the value of our attitude and effort - the only two factors that we always control. I am confident that if one learns to have a positive attitude, a growth mindset, and learns how powerful it is to give a little extra, we will not only be prepared for our toughest competitors, but also the toughest circumstances we face in our life's journey.

I ask that you support and encourage your child by helping them "believe in the process." This means helping them understand the four factors to success, which are in my opinion - a strong work ethic, loyalty, persistence, and learning from failure. I want each of them to know what they do today matters for tomorrow, failure is not fatal but important for growth, giving up is never an option, and being a person that people can count on and trust is priceless. These things will be emphasized daily and that is why I believe you will see many positives come from your child's participation in our wrestling program...WELCOME to the Wildcat Wrestling Family!

Philosophy of Neosho Wrestling Program

Mission Statement: "The Mission of Neosho Wrestling is to build WINNERS on and off the mat."

Our Goal as a program is to help each individual maximize the gifts they been given and grow by helping them truly understand the values of RESPECT, TEAM, hard work, learning from failures, loyalty, goal setting, commitment, and persistence. Each wrestler will learn a solid foundation of the wrestling fundamentals while building upon those characteristics that will allow one to be successful in all pursuits throughout life's journey.

We strive for nothing less than...Greatness on and off the mat (STUDENT/athlete)

"Greatness is not where WE stand but in what direction WE are moving. WE must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it – But sail WE must and not drift, nor lie at anchor."

~ Oliver Wendell Holmes

The System and Coaching Staff

My Belief – you get out of something truly what you put into it. *You harvest what you plant and WE will reap what WE sow.* Everything has a price, even success. The key for me is to sell Our System to all the Wrestlers and Parents so that what is asked to be done, is bought into and accomplished. It is crucial to our Program's success that everyone "Buy into The System." Our parents' support is vital component for our wrestlers maximizing their potential and our program.

Neosho Wrestling is one PROGRAM consisting of 4 different levels (Youth, Jr. High, High School, and Collegiate). Each level is coached on the same philosophy and principals. Our mentality is All for One – One for All. Using the strengths of each member we have established and will work hard to maintain a tradition of Excellence founded in a strong work ethic and discipline. We have an amazing coaching staff (listed above). *If you ever have a problem or concern please see the coach(es) first.*

TEAM – Together WE WORK and BELIEVE

"People acting TOGETHER as a group can accomplish things in which no individual acting alone could ever hope to bring about."

Franklin D. Roosevelt

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HS TEAM Hotel Info

Neosho Wrestling

Hotel Information 2018-2019

Missouri Duals (Dec. 7th)

Team (7 Rooms)

Days inn

2100 Jefferson Street

Jefferson City, MO 65109

(573) 761-3600

Kansas City Stampede (Dec. 21st)

Team (7 Rooms)

Crowne Plaza Hotel

1301 Wyandotte Street

Kansas City, Missouri 64105.

(816) 474-6664 (Front Desk)

(888) 233-9527 (Reservations)

Granite City Holiday Invitational (Dec 27th & 28th)

Team (7 Rooms)

Best Western

4 Regency Parkway

Pontoon Beach, IL 62040

(618) 512-1314

District Tournament (Feb 8th)

TBA

State Tournament (Feb 13th, 14th, & 15th)

Team (9 Rooms)

Team (573) 443-8000
Courtyard Marriott
3301 LeMone Industrial Blvd.
Columbia, MO 65201
(573) 443-8000

“Back To Our Roots”

Faith - Family - Work Ethic - Persistence - Loyalty - Learning – Humility