

# 2022-2023 Wrestling Season Parents Night



# Agenda

- Wrestling 101
- Team Handbook
- Season Overview
- Parent Involvement
- Questions



#### Introductions

- Andrew Adams, Head Coach
- Benyam Getahun, Assistant Coach
- Amy Marlow, Assistant Coach
- Will Marlow, Assistant Coach



#### 2022-2023 Team Captains

- Max Apsel, Class of 2023
- Srijon Bose, Class of 2023
- Liam Gil Swiger, Class of 2023



#### Our Values











- Wrestling is a team sport but athletes compete individually.
- Wrestlers compete by weight class and will weigh in an hour before competitions.
- Only one person can wrestle varsity per weight class and this is determined through wrestle offs (more info later).



- Types of competitions include dual, tri and quad meets
   (against one, two, three etc. schools) as well as tournaments with more schools.
- Meets tend to be shorter and tournaments are longer.

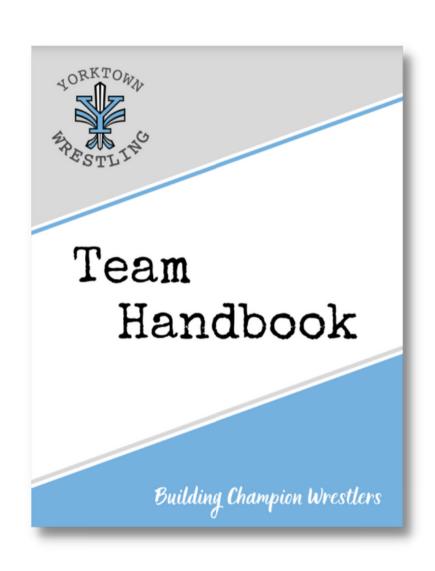


- Varsity matches consist of three periods of two minutes.
- The ref scores the match and wrestlers win by scoring the most points or by pinning the opponent (both shoulder blades touching the mat).
- The team as a whole gets points based on an individual's score.



- To learn more about scoring we have included information on our website at wrestleyorktown.com/for-parents. Please ask the coaches if you have any questions.
- We encourage you to learn the basics in order to support your wrestler during competitions.





#### Team Handbook

- Our handbook was written by the coaching staff and is official policy of the Yorktown Athletic Department.
- It contains our team policies and guidance for both wrestlers and parents.



#### Season Overview

- Please see handout for specific dates/times
- November 7, 2022 February 3, 2023
  - JV District Tournament: January 28, 2023
  - Liberty District Tournament: February 3, 2023
  - Region 6A North Tournament: February 9, 2023
  - Virginia 6A State Tournament: February 17-18, 2023

State tournament is in Virginia Beach

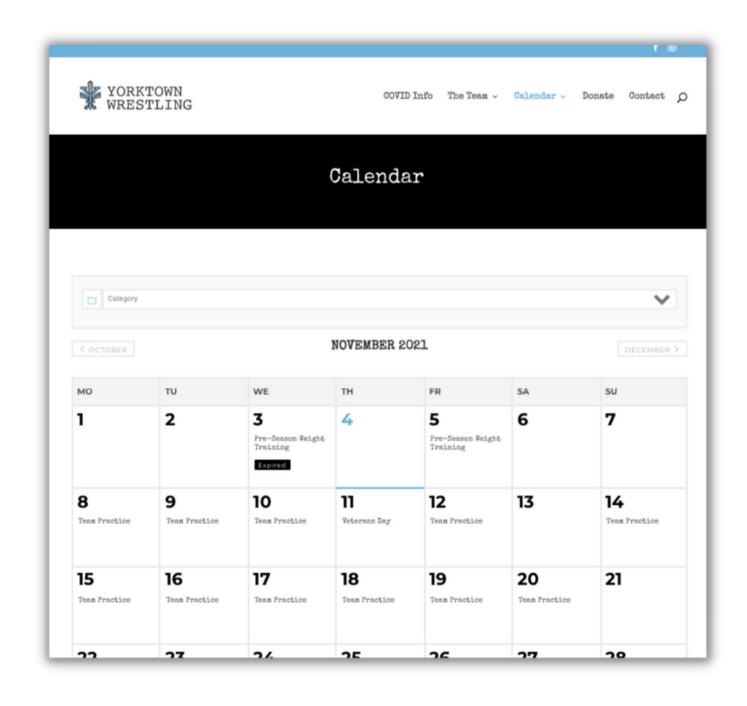


#### Practice Schedule

- Monday Friday: 3:30pm 6:00pm
- Saturday: 8:00am 11:00am
- Holidays: See website or handout for dates/times

Please note that there is no cell phone service or internet in the wrestling room.





#### Competition Schedule

- Please see the handout with dates/times of the competitions.
- Visit our website and click "Calendar" to view them as well.
- Check our site throughout the season for additional or updated information.



#### Attendance Policy

- Attendance is mandatory and absences must be excused by a coach.
- Wresters need to be on time and dressed out to practice by 3:30pm. Those who are late cannot practice.
- If a wrestler misses practice, it will be up to the coach's discretion whether the wrestler competes in the next match.
- More than three unexcused absences may result in being removed from the team.
- Wrestlers are required to attend competitions whether they are competing or not.



#### School Issued Equipment

- The school will provide each wrestler with a singlet. Varsity wrestlers will receive warm ups.
- Each wrestler is responsible for their wrestling shoes and headgear. Please speak to the coaching staff if you need assistance.
- Your wrestler will bring home a Yorktown Wrestling Uniform Agreement for you to sign and return..
- All school issued must be washed and returned at the end of the season.



#### Wrestle Offs

- The coaching staff will determine the starter at each weight class.
- Performance, practice, and wrestle-offs are the three main determinants.
- More detail is available in the "For Wrestlers" section of the handbook.
- Frequency of wrestle offs is at the coaches' discretion.



#### Health, Safety and Nutrition

#### Weight Management

- As a sport, wrestling has a reputation for allowing and encouraging unhealthy weight loss or "weight cutting" tactics.
- The Yorktown wrestling team does not condone these practices. This program is committed to helping each wrestler complete at their optimal weight.



#### Nutrition

- In 2020-2021 we held two sessions with a certified dietitian and nutritionist. She provided us with resources on nutrition for high school wrestlers.
- Visit wrestleyorktown.com/nutrition to view the materials.



#### Skin Disease Prevention

- Unfortunately, wrestling, like any other contact sport, carries a risk of transmitting skin diseases.
- It is extremely important for all wrestlers to follow these guidelines to protect the team's health (also listed in the handbook).



#### Skin Disease Prevention

- Wash hands often throughout the day with soap and water.
- Shower with soap and water directly after every practice.
- Always use clean towels, washed after every use.
- Always wash workout clothes after every workout.
- Wash knee pads, headgear, and shoes on a regular basis.
- Do not leave wet shoes or knee pads in the bag overnight.
- NEVER wear wrestling shoes outside.
- Check for rashes/skin abrasions daily and immediately report any to a coach.
- Apply Kennedy Shield Foam before participating in practice or matches. Wipe down immediately after practice/wrestling.



#### Academics

- The Yorktown Wrestling program is a tool to help motivate our wrestlers to do well in school.
- Wrestlers are student athletes and must keep their grades in good standing in order to participate.
- We expect academic accountability and responsibility from our athletes.



#### Study Hall

- We will hold a Study Hall one afternoon each week from 3:15pm - 4:15pm, specific day TBD.
- This is a mandatory session for all wrestlers and will be supervised by a teacher and/or a member of the coaching staff.



#### Parent Involvement

- Each of you is critical to the success of this program.
- We are here to support your kids and ensure that you have a positive experience with the wrestling team.
- The coaches are always available to answer questions and discuss issues that come up.



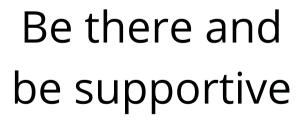
#### Parent Sportsmanship

- Please set a positive example and behave with good sportsmanship at all wrestling events.
- During matches please stay in the stands and refrain from acting as a coach.
- Maintain self control during difficult moments.



# Opportunities for Parent Involvement







Bring snacks/drinks to competitions



Give rides home from practice



Help with fundraising and events



#### Snacks and Drinks at Competitions

- Due to the length of competitions we provide snacks and drinks for the team. Wrestlers need to bring their own meals.
- We rely on parents to provide food and drinks. We would love for a parent to step up and help coordinate. We use a signup form so please stay turned for this in the next couple of weeks.



# Team Breakfast This Saturday 11/12!

Wrestlers and parents are invited to join us at 9:00am at the home of Shawn and Karen Khani, 3200 N. George Mason Drive. After breakfast wrestlers will jog to Yorktown and practice until 2:30pm.

Please sign up to bring food if you haven't already done so. Talk to Coach Amy for the signup link.



# Staying Connected



#### **TEAM APP**

YHS - Wrestling



#### **TEAM WEBSITE**

wrestleyorktown.com



#### **INSTAGRAM**

@WrestleYorktown



#### **FACEBOOK**

@WrestleYorktown





#### Team App

- Wrestlers and parents each need their own profiles
- Download Team App from app store
- Search for YHS Wrestling
- Request to join



# Questions?

Reach out to Coach Andrew directly at YorktownPatriotWrestling@gmail.com.