

KSA EVENTS WRESTLING TOURNAMENT COACHES MANUAL



2019



On behalf of the entire KSA Events Staff, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you for joining us for our Wrestling Tournament in Orlando, Florida this December! We look forward to meeting you or having you back with us again! We would like to take this opportunity to recognize all of your hard work and efforts for being a part of the overall success of KSA Events.

We are so grateful to our clients who trusted in us to help them provide top- notch services. Your feedback has pushed us to strive for the best every year. Our success story remains incomplete without the support of our clients.

Thirty years ago, KSA Events was being operated out of my basement in Pennsylvania with the help of every family member I could wrangle in! We were just a little company with a big dream to set down roots in Orlando, Florida; and create a business that people could trust. We have grown to represent schools from over 44 different states, operate over a dozen different events annually, and have gifted over \$1.5 million in scholarship dollars to deserving student athletes.

We want to take this opportunity to recognize the valued customers who have expressed confidence in us and who have been so loyal to our events. In closing, we pledge to you our continued very best service. You deserve it! We greatly appreciate the opportunity to work with you and we also look forward to hosting your School for another 25 years.

Sincerely,

Kelly Hayes
Executive Director
KSA Events



KSA Events National Duals Wrestling Tournament Schedule and Tournament Champion

This section includes a final schedule for the 2019 KSA Events National Duals Wrestling Tournament in Orlando. Please use the schedule as a reference for your competition times and dates. Please notice that times vary from day to day. While this was done to make your tournament check-in and transportation as smooth as possible, we remind you to check your competition times carefully. In all dual meets, the teams will flip prior to each match to determine home or visitors.

The 2019 KSA Events Holiday National Duals Wrestling Tournament will utilize pool format and pool format seeding into a championship bracket. Each team will wrestle a minimum of Six (6) duals and a maximum of eight (8) duals over two days.

First through Third place team plaques will be awarded as appropriate. Additionally, participation plaques will be awarded to each team upon completion of the tournament. A team MVP will also be named for each school at the end of the tournament.

The Pool Play placement into the championship matches as well as the champion for the pool play tournament will be determined by a progressive list of factors. Starting with overall win/loss record, any ties between teams in a category will be carried to the next category. Carries to categories will only be applied to the tied teams and will determine the tie break for all tied teams. These categories are listed below in order of application and will determine the place for all tied teams.

1. Overall Win/Loss Record
2. Head to Head Match-Up
3. Least total points allowed in applicable matches
4. Most total points scored in applicable matches
5. Coin Toss



Sanctioning

The "NFHS APPLICATION FOR SANCTION OF INTERSTATE ATHLETIC EVENT" is filed in October with the Florida High School Activities Association. After approval, the form is forwarded to your State Associations for Sanctioning approval. In some cases, states have still not received a copy of this approved form. For that reason the NFHS has provided a link on their website (www.nfhs.org) to download a copy of this form. Start by clicking on the Sports tab and then scrolling down to and clicking on the Sanctioning tab. This will enable you to view the current Sanctioned states and also download a copy of the approval form.

If your State Association has any questions, they can reach the FHSAA at (352)-372-9551 x395.

KSA Events uses the NFHS Standardized Sanctioned Form for all sporting events. The form however, does not supersede any scheduling forms or other documents that your state association may require to be filed. If any such paperwork is necessary, it is still the responsibility of each school to complete such paperwork directly with your State Association.



Competition Provisions

Competition Surface:

- 6 - 8 Regulation wrestling mats

Sidelines:

- Chairs and standard accommodations are provided for all mats
- Water Coolers with paper cone cups will be provided adjacent to each mat. **It is suggested teams bring their own squirt bottles**
- Injury ice bags and ice will be provided upon request by the Athletic Trainers on site
- Squirt bottles and/or sports drinks (i.e. Gatorade or PowerAde) **ARE NOT** provided for use, however, each team may provide their own
- A limited number of towels are supplied

Medical and Injury Provisions:

- A staff of Certified Athletic Trainers will be on hand to assist all teams participating in the tournament. This staff is not assigned to individual teams, but they are available for all participants as needed.
- ***In any event, disposable items such as tape or pre-wrap will not be provided and should be supplied by each team for their athletes***
- An ambulance and Emergency Medical Personnel will be on call for all competition
- If an individual needs to go to the hospital, the medical trainers will call an ambulance to transport the athlete. An adult must go with child to Sandlake Hospital less than 2 miles from the Convention Center.

Locker Rooms:

- Due to the nature of the tournament, we request that all teams arrive dressed in uniform
- Locker rooms are not available for any sessions

Laundry Facilities:

- Coin-operated laundry facilities are available at two different locations at the hotel
- It is suggested that each team bring their own laundry detergent due to on-site costs



Rules and Officials

All officials will be registered to referee high school Wrestling Matches through the Florida High School Activities Association. Florida High School Activities Association (FHSA)/National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) rules of play will be used for all games.

As each state may have slightly different rules interpretations, the following rule points are noted as the main rule differences you may encounter:

1. Each team will be given a fifteen-minute warm-up period prior to each match. Warm – ups must be completed prior to scheduled start time. In the event that your scheduled mat is unavailable warm-up should be completed on the provided warm up area.
2. The base weight classes are as follows for male athletes:

106	138	182
113	145	195
120	152	220
126	160	285
132	170	
3. A weight allowance of one pound per day is added to the base weight of each class after the first day of competition. Two pounds is also allowed on the first day of competition for the tournament held after Christmas.
4. **Weigh-In** times are listed below. All weigh-ins for **OUT OF STATE TEAMS** and **LOCAL TEAMS** will be conducted at Resorts while all Competition will be taking place at the Orange County Convention Center West Hall

Classic Wrestling Tournament- Cabana Bay Beach Resort: Fun in the Sun Room

Friday, Dec 20th 7:00am – 8:00am
Saturday, Dec 21th 7:00am – 8:00am
6550 Adventure Way, Orlando, FL 32819

Holiday Wrestling Tournament: Universal Sapphire Falls Resort

Friday, Dec 27th 7:00am – 8:00am
Friday, Dec 28th 7:00am – 8:00am
6601 Adventure Way, Orlando, FL 32819



Weigh-in information cont...

We will follow the weigh-in procedure listed by the NFHSA. Once team weigh-ins begin all athletes must be in the designated weigh-in area or will be unavailable to wrestle that day.

Only one coach will be allowed in the weigh-in area due to space limitations and will be required to record all weights for their team. At the completion of weigh-ins each day, copies will be made available of each teams recorded weights.

Once a Wrestler weighs in at a certain weight they will not be allowed to drop down to a lower weight class the following days of competition with the additional pound allowance.

Girl's Wrestling Rules/Regulations Exceptions

All of the above information applies except the following:

- Hair Covers are not Required and therefore it is a judgment call when a hold involved a hand in the neck area that could accidently get caught in the hand and pulled.
- T-Shirts can be worn underneath uniforms

Directions/Parking

The tournament will be held at:

Orange County Convention Center West Hall

9800 International Drive
Orlando, FL 32819

Parking is available at the Convention Center and is typically a charge of \$10 to \$15 per day.

KSA Events guests staying at the host resorts will be provided with transportation credentials to gain access to the shuttle buses that are on a constant loop between the resorts and Convention Center.



Admission Costs

Athletes/Coaches/Managers – Free

- Providing that they complete the “*KSA Events Waiver and Permission Form*” (This is a Waiver Form, Minor or Adult, that the Tournament Director will send to you separately)

KSA Events Registered Spectators – Free

- KSA Events Spectators that purchased a land package with KSA Events will receive a Tournament Admission Ticket for use during their stay. These spectator tournament admission tickets will give you access to each day of the tournament.

Guests not booked with KSA Events – \$\$

- Spectators that did not book a land package with KSA Events will need to purchase a Event Admission Ticket at KSAEvents.com or at the box office the day of the event.
 - **SINGLE DAY ADMISSION TICKET: \$20 per person**
 - **LENGTH OF EVENT ADMISSION TICKETS: \$35 per person**



Credential/Waiver Information

A LINK HAS BEEN SENT TO YOU AND WAIVERS MUST BE COMPLETED DIGITALLY. PHYSICAL WAIVERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR ACCESS TO THE TOURNAMENT.

In our events held around the country, each facility that we use requires a different waiver for participation. In Orlando, the attached waiver forms, titled "*KSA Events Sports Waiver and Permission Form*" must be completed by all participants, coaches, and/or team administrators prior to admission into *Orange County Convention Center*. As you will notice, there are two forms, one for minors and one for adults. Please distribute accordingly, as the "Minor" forms require an adult signature.

Important-No participant or school affiliate will be allowed to enter complex locker or training facilities, step onto the court of play, or participate in any activity unless they submit a completed waiver form.

The head coach or their designee should forward the appropriate waiver links to the parents and Coaches to be completed digitally. These credentials cannot be replaced if lost or stolen without payment for a new one. Coaches should keep track of their own team's credentials and collect them after used to enter the Orange County Convention Center on competition days.

Florida Participants that are not staying at the resort will register at the Convention Center on their first day of competition. Team Registration will take place at the entrance of the West Concourse where ticket sales are located.

Should you have any questions regarding this process, please do not hesitate to call our office.