

The 10th Annual Akron Fall Open

Sunday, October 25th, 2020

WRESTLING IS BACK! Ohioquest Wrestling, Shamrock Wrestling Club and Akron St. Vincent St. Mary High School are happy to present the 10th Annual Akron Fall Open. Please understand that the format is much different than our format in the past, due to the need to achieve social distancing compliance. First- note that due to the need to limit the number of entrants to 60 per age division- all wrestlers must pre-register at www.ohioquest.com. **THERE IS NO WALK UP OR SAME DAY REGISTRATION**, BRACKETS WILL BE MADE IN ADVANCE OF THE EVENT. This tournament will feature seven quick mini-sessions rather than our usual two session format. Please check the weigh in and start times below. Be sure to read all the Covid-19 Rules (see section below) closely!

Event Location: Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, 15 N. Maple Street, Akron, Ohio.

<u>Age Group:</u>	<u>Weigh-In Time</u>	<u>Wrestling Begins</u>
Division II: 2012-2013	6:30-7:15 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
Division III: 2010-2011	7:30-8:45 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Division IV: 2008-2009	9:00-10:15 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Middle School:	10:30-11:45 a.m.	12:30 p.m.
H.S. Lightweights (106-132 lbs)	12:00-1:15 p.m.	2:00 p.m.
H.S. Middleweights (133-160 lbs)	1:30-2:45 p.m.	3:30 p.m.
H.S. Upper (Over 160 lbs)	3:00-4:15 p.m.	5:00 p.m.

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Special Covid-19 Rules: Please note that you must weigh in during the specific times listed for your division. Wrestlers will not be permitted to weigh-in in advance of their listed time (an exception will be made if you have multiple wrestlers and one is weighing in during an earlier session). The purpose of this is to avoid having a crowd of people showing up at the same time for registration and weigh ins. While this has always been a family sport- we are asking that you leave grandparents, those with medical conditions and compromised immune systems, and any other potentially vulnerable persons home for their safety.

WRESTLERS, PARENTS AND COACHES WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ENTER THE GYMNASIUM UNTIL THE PREVIOUS DIVISION HAS BEEN COMPLETED- AND THOSE SPECTATORS, COACHES AND WRESTLERS HAVE EXITED THE BUILDING.

ALL WHO ATTEND (WRESTLERS, COACHES, AND PARENTS) MUST WEAR MASKS AT ALL TIMES. Please understand that we dislike these rules as much as you do- it's just that strict enforcement of the rules is the only way we can have a sport at this time. Please keep in mind that this event is NOT the appropriate venue for a political statement against mandated mask wearing- one non-compliant event could literally derail the entire season.

Wrestlers will be on the same mat for the entire duration of the tournament. No parent will be allowed out to leave the stands and enter the gym floor area without having purchased a coach's band for \$5.00 (which is in addition to regular spectator admission). The purpose of

these rules is to prevent crowding and congregating on the mats. If your wrestler has not been called to the mat, you will have to return to the stands. There is to be no congregating or socializing between parents or wrestlers when not competing. Again- please understand this is the State of Ohio's rule due to the pandemic so we have to go along with it.

Please be aware that due to the 90 minute time constraints we have for each session, there will be no guarantee of rest time between matches. This should affect both wrestlers equally in almost all cases. Typically, there will be two weight classes on each mat and your wrestler will be up every 15-20 minutes, but rest time can and will be less at the end of the session as there are fewer matches less to contest- and with such a short time frame we cannot and will not be able to grant extra rest time under any circumstances. If you feel your wrestlers are not conditioned enough yet for this format- it may be best to hold off on competing.

Weight Classes: Will be determined after registration is complete. Our goal is to discourage wrestlers cutting weight to make a particular weight class. No wrestler will be paired with a wrestler more than 12% heavier without parental/coach permission. Please note that you must be within one pound of the weight you register at- brackets will NOT be redrawn, failing to make weight with this allowance will result in disqualification of your wrestler with no refund.

Individual Awards: Top three finishers in all weight classes will receive medals.

Entry Fee: \$35. All wrestlers must register online, no walk up or same day registration. Register at www.ohioquest.com. Spots are limited to 60 wrestlers per division so register now!

Rules: All matches will be three periods with choice of position for the second and third period. Overtime will be a single one minute period, followed by a single :30 ride out period if needed.

Concessions: Snacks, drinks, and a limited amount of food that is not prepared on site will be served all day, including during breakfast.

Equipment Vendor: Gameday Sportswear will be in attendance providing gear and apparel.

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