

STATE WRESTLING REMINDERS

- ☑ **Finals Packet Pick-up:** Packets may be picked up from **4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday** at the MSHSAA Office. It is very important that you read all information in coach's packet. All remaining packets that are not picked up Wednesday will be moved to the lobby of the Coaches Pass Gate on the North side of the Mizzou Arena for pick-up on Thursday.

- ☑ **Passes for Participants and Coaches:** Each school which qualifies one or more wrestlers for the state meet will be issued passes for each qualifier plus coaches passes based on those wrestling coaches posted and approved on the school's High School Coaches and Directors page. All coaches must meet all requirements of being an approved coach including all non-faculty coaching requirements and online rules review requirements.
Coaches passes: will be issued by showing photo I.D. at the MSHSAA office on Wednesday during packet pick-up or on Thursday via the Will Call window located in the lobby on the northwest side of the main entrance to the arena, if the name of the requesting person is found on the schools approved coaches and directors list.
Participant Passes: will be issued in the state coaches packets.
Passes for Managers: Schools are responsible for covering the admission for any team managers. Event Passes for managers may be purchased at the time you pick up team packets. **The passes for a manager will cost \$40** and will allow admission to all sessions and will permit managers to enter the arena with the coach and participants. An invoice will be issued to the school for any and all manager passes (**No check/cash/PO**) will be accepted. **Manager Passes limit (4).**
Passes for Administrators: Administrators (Superintendent, Principal and Athletic Director) are automatically listed as the administrators for receiving an event pass for the state tournament. **In the event that one of the previously mentioned administrators will be replaced by a different district administrator the substitution must be made prior to 12 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17 by calling Karian Cook or Greg Stahl at the MSHSAA office.** No onsite changes to the administrator pass list will be allowed. These administrator passes will be issued at Will Call by showing photo ID.
Passes for Bus Drivers: Bus drivers may secure an event pass from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday at the MSHSAA Office, provided they have a letter from the school signed by an Administrator, identifying them as such. Your attention is called to item 6d on page 22 of the MSHSAA Wrestling Manual. **IF THE BUS DRIVER IS ALSO A COACH, AN EXTRA PASS IS NOT TO BE ISSUED.** Bus drivers are encouraged to pick up their pass at the same time coaches are picking up their packets at the MSHSAA office on Wednesday, February 18th or at Will Call on Thursday, February 19th.

- ☑ **Dress Code.** The Wrestling Advisory Committee emphasizes the restrictions of dress on the floor of the Mizzou Arena. Items such as hats, cutoffs, Walkman's, etc. are not to be allowed. The final site is a tribute to the 896 student-athletes and over 200 schools that will be represented. **Coaches are expected to dress professionally (Business casual: slacks & polo shirt - no shorts, blue jeans or warm-ups).** Please assist all of us in making this event a day to remember.

- ☑ **Medical Services** are provided by the Missouri Athletic Trainers Association. Their staff's determination as to whether or not a wrestler can continue wrestling is final, as they will be the appropriate healthcare professional at the state championships. A school provided trainer will not have jurisdiction in ruling on a medical condition or release for a wrestler to participate at the State Wrestling Championships.

- ☑ **Building Admission & Seating.**
 1. **Access to the Building.** Coaches and participants will enter through the Pass Gate. The Pass Gate entrance is located on the northwest side of Mizzou Arena. The door is marked Missouri Basketball. Parents and fans should be informed of the "no pass outs" policy so there is no confusion. Once parents and spectators enter the Mizzou Arena they must remain inside, if they leave during a session, they will have to purchase another admission to re-enter. Wrestlers, coaches, administrators and workers with passes will be able to pass in and out by using the Missouri Basketball Player Entrance on the north side of the Mizzou Arena.
 2. **Seating.** Seating for coaches will be in the first 8 rows of sections 110, 111 and 112. Wrestlers will not be allowed in these sections. Coaches must exit the floor as soon as their wrestler has finished his bout. Coaches and participants can exit the floor through the southeast tunnel. **NO STANDING WILL BE PERMITTED ON THE ARENA FLOOR.** There will be eight floor security personnel to remind coaches and wrestlers to move backstage or into the stands. Please cooperate with their directions.

- ☑ **State Pairings.** Pairings and Full Brackets for the State Wrestling Championships will be released on the MSHSAA web site (www.mshsaa.org) at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 15th. You will use the Wrestling page of the MSHSAA website to access TrackWrestling for viewing the brackets.

Mizzou Arena Policies for Coolers: Spectators with coolers will not be allowed to bring them into the Mizzou Arena. Schools may still bring **one team cooler**, but they are not allowed in the seating area. **No individual coolers** .

- ☑ **SIGNS AND BANNERS.** Beginning with the 2015 MSHSAA State Wrestling Championships the Mizzou Arena staff and MSHSAA staff are not permitting the hanging of any signs or banners. **Due to the history of issues with the hanging of signs-banners and the amount of disrespect between school fan bases and to the Mizzou Arena Staff, the MSHSAA Wrestling Advisory Committee supports the Mizzou Arena and MSHSAA staff in the restriction of hanging signs-banners. HANGING OF SIGNS-BANNERS AT THE MIZZOU ARENA IS NOT PERMITTED.**