

2018 Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling Youth State Championships



A) **A Note to Wrestlers:**

Congratulations on qualifying for the 56th annual Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling (PJW) State Championships. Area XII is honored to be your host and we hope you have an enjoyable experience. Best of luck as you compete for a PJW State Medal.

B) **A Note to Wrestling Families:**

Congratulations on your wrestler qualifying for the 2018 PJW Youth State Championships. Volunteers from Area XII have been busy planning all aspects of the tournament. We hope you have a positive experience. There will be updates on FLO Arena throughout the tournament. You may also refer to the PJW website at www.pajw.org for tournament and hotel information. Social media outlets for the tournament include <https://www.facebook.com/PAJuniorWrestling/> (Facebook) and @pajrwrestling (Twitter and Instagram).

C) **Tournament Venue:**

The 2018 PJW Youth State Championships will be held at the Mohegan Sun Arena. The arena is located at 255 Highland Park Boulevard in Wilkes-Barre Township, PA 18702.

D) **Tournament Dates:**

The dates for this year's tournament are Friday, March 23, 2018 and Saturday, March 24, 2018.

E) **Admission Costs:**

Adult both days - \$25	Adult one day - \$15
Student both days - \$15	Student one day - \$10

Tickets may be purchased at the arena box office from 3-8 PM on Thursday, March 22 and throughout the tournament.

F) Parking:

Parking is abundant at the Mohegan Sun Arena. Use the East Gate Entrance to access the arena from the general parking lot. There are no parking fees.

G) Weigh-Ins:

- Weigh-Ins will be held at the Mohegan Sun Arena from 4-8 PM on Thursday, March 22, 2018.
- Park in the general parking lot and access the arena through the East Gate Entrance.
- Follow the signage to your right on the concourse level of the arena and down the stairs to the event level of the arena. There will be signs on each room at the event level designating the gender and age of wrestlers that should enter each room for weigh-ins.
- Wrestlers should not disrobe until they are in their assigned weigh-in rooms and should redress before exiting their weigh-in rooms.
- Wrestlers must make the flat weight of their qualified weight classes. There are NO weight allowances.
- Wrestlers must pass hair, skin, nail and equipment checks prior to stepping on the scale.
- In the event that your wrestler has a skin condition, a fully completed and up to date PJW skin form, signed by a licensed physician, must be presented to officials at weigh-ins and maintained by a coach in your wrestler's corner throughout the tournament.
- There will be a doctor available from 7:30-8 PM to address any skin issues.
- After weighing in, each wrestler will be given an envelope with two coaching bands in it. No other coaching bands will be issued. Coaching bands are not valid for entrance into the arena. Coaches must purchase an admission ticket and enter through the East Gate with all other spectators. A coaching band must be worn to gain access to the arena floor through the staging process.
- Concessions, tickets, apparel and programs will be available at the concourse level during weigh-ins and throughout the tournament.

H) Apparel, Concessions, Tickets and Programs:

Apparel, concessions, tickets and programs will be available on the concourse level of the arena from 2-8 PM on Thursday, March 22, and throughout the tournament. See www.mohegansunarenanepa.com for more information. No outside food or drinks are allowed.

I) Locker and Shower Facilities:

There are locker and shower facilities on the event level of the arena near the staging area. The locker rooms will be closely monitored by event security to prevent misconduct. Personal items should not be left in the locker room areas. Area XII, PJW and the Mohegan Sun Arena are not responsible for damaged, lost or stolen items.

J) General Information:

- Medals will be awarded to the top 8 boys and the top 4 girls in each class.
- Wrestling will begin promptly at 9 AM on Friday and Saturday morning.
- Doors will open at 7:30 AM each morning.
- Be sure to give yourself enough time to get through security. Bags will be screened at the arena entrance.
- Only wrestlers and coaches are permitted in the warm up area, staging area and competition floor. Parents and family members should remain in the stands.
- Wrestlers and their coaches should not report to the staging area until their age division and weight class are called to do so.
- Only two coaches will be allowed to enter the floor with each wrestler.
- No hats on the arena floor.
- No recording on the arena floor. The only exception is at the awards podium.
- No noise makers, laser pointers or weapons are permitted in the arena.
- PJW and PIAA rules apply and will be enforced.
- Wrestlers, coaches, parents and spectators are expected to exhibit good sportsmanship. This is a youth event.
- Wrestlers should be at the venue and ready to report to staging at least a half hour before their scheduled round in the event we are running ahead of schedule.
- Wrestlers and coaches should exit the arena floor at the conclusion of each match.

K) Hotels:

Hotels are abundant around the arena. Listings can be found at www.pajw.org.

L) Schedule:

There will be ten rounds of wrestling over 3 sessions. Rounds will proceed with divisions as follows: 8u Boys, 10u Boys, 12u Boys, 8u Girls, 10u Girls and 12u Girls. A detailed schedule can be found on the next page.

Day 1 – Friday, March 23, 2018, Session 1 - Wrestling Starts at 9 AM. Doors open at 7:30 AM.

Round	Round Description	Estimated Time
1	Pigtail (Round of 32)	9 AM-Noon
2	Preliminary (Round of 16)	Noon-3 PM
3	Round #1 Consolations	3 -4:30 PM
4	Championship Quarterfinals	4:30-6:15 PM
5	Round #2 Consolations	6:15-8:30 PM

Day 2 – Saturday, March 24, 2018, Session 2 - Wrestling Starts at 9 AM. Doors open at 7:30 AM.

Round	Round Description	Estimated Time
6	Round #3 Consolations	9 AM-10:15 AM
7	Round #4 Consolations	10:15 AM-11:30 AM
8	Semifinals and Round #5 Consolations	11:30-1 PM
9	Round #6 Consolations	1-2 PM
	Break from 2-4 PM	

Day 2 – Saturday, March 24, 2018, Session 3 – Ceremony Starts at 4 PM. Doors open at 3 PM.

Round	Round Description	Estimated Time
	Parade of Areas	4-4:30 PM
	Parade of Champions	4:30-5 PM
10	Finals and Awards	5-8 PM