

2017 Virginia 5A State Wrestling Championships

**Oscar Smith High School
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FACTS AND STATS

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TEAM SCORES

<u>SCHOOL (Region/Conference)</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
1. Brooke Point (N-15)	143
2. Mountain View (N-15)	134
3. Potomac (N-15)	115
4. Lee-Davis (S-11)	91
5. Broad Run (N-14)	88.5
6. Matoaca (S-12)	74
7. Salem-Virginia Beach (S-9)	73
8. Hickory (S-9)	69
9. Princess Anne (S-9)	68.5
10. Patrick Henry-Roanoke (N-16)	62.5
11. Atlee (N-16)	44
12. Orange County (N-16)	38.5
13. Edison (N-13)	38
14. Nansemond River (S-10)	37
15. North Stafford (N-15)	36
16. Stone Bridge (N-14)	31
17. Indian River (S-9)	29
18. Hermitage (S-11)	25
19. Mills Godwin (S-11)	24
20. Gloucester (S-10)	21.5
21. Norview (S-9)	20
22. Massaponax (N-15)	19
23. Briar Woods (N-14)	16
23. Lee (N-13)	16
25. Green Run (S-9)	15
26. Highland Springs (S-12)	13
27. Menchville (S-10)	11
27. Prince George (S-12)	11
29. Warwick (S-10)	9
30. Albemarle (N-16)	7
30. Maury (S-9)	7
32. Glen Allen (S-11)	6
32. Wakefield (N-13)	6
34. Deep Run (S-11)	5
35. Henrico (S-11)	4
35. Kempsville (S-9)	4
37. Douglas Freeman (S-11)	3
37. JR Tucker (S-11)	3
37. Marshall (N-13)	3
37. Patrick Henry-Ashland (N-16)	3
41. Meadowbrook (S-12)	2

(45 of Virginia's 53 Class 5A schools were represented at the 2017 Tournament.
Four did not score: Bethel (10), Stuart (N-13), Stafford (N-15) and Tuscarora (N-14))

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PLACE TOTALS – By Region/Conference

North Region	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	TOTAL
Conference 15	5	4	6	4	4	2	25
Conference 16	1	3	1	0	1	4	10
Conference 14	3	1	2	0	0	0	6
Conference 13	1	0	2	0	0	0	3
Totals	10	8	11	4	5	6	44

South Region	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	TOTAL
Conference 9	1	2	1	7	5	4	20
Conference 11	1	2	1	3	1	1	9
Conference 10	0	2	0	0	2	2	6
Conference 12	2	0	1	0	1	1	5
Totals	4	6	3	7	9	8	40

PLACE TOTALS - BY TEAM

SOUTH REGION

SCHOOL (Conference)	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	TOTAL
Salem-VB (9)	1	0	0	2	1	3	7
Lee-Davis (11)	1	1	1	2	0	0	5
Hickory (9)	0	1	1	2	0	0	4
Princess Anne (9)	0	1	0	2	1	0	4
Matoaca (12)	2	0	1	0	0	0	3
Nansemond River (10)	0	1	0	0	1	1	3
Hermitage (11)	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Indian River (9)	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Norview (9)	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Glen Allen (11)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Gloucester (10)	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Green Run (9)	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
High Springs (12)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Mills Godwin (11)	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Menchville (10)	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Prince George (12)	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Warwick (10)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
TOTALS	4	6	3	10	9	8	40

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NORTH REGION

SCHOOL (Conference)	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	TOTAL
Brooke Point (15)	2	1	1	1	3	0	8
Mountain View (15)	2	2	1	2	0	0	7
Potomac (15)	1	0	3	1	0	2	7
Patrick Henry-R (16)	1	1	0	0	1	2	5
Broad Run (14)	2	1	1	0	0	0	4
Atlee (16)	0	1	1	0	0	1	3
Edison (13)	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
North Stafford (15)	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
Orange County (16)	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Briar Woods (14)	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Lee (13)	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Massaponax (15)	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Stone Bridge (14)	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	10	8	11	4	5	6	44

REGION STATS (Ranked by team points)

REGION	Team Points	Wres. Ent.	Matches	W	L	MD	TF	Pins	Win Avg.
NORTH	800.5	84	293	158	135	20	5	45	.539
SOUTH	625	84	293	135	158	15	5	38	.461

STATS – By Region/Conference (Ranked by team points)

North Region

Conference	Team Points	Wres. Ent.	Matches	W	L	MD	TF	Pins	Win %
Conference 15	447	36	138	83	55	8	0	26	.601
Conference 16	155	21	76	36	40	6	2	12	.474
Conference 14	135.5	14	42	23	19	4	3	5	.548
Conference 13	63	13	37	16	21	2	0	2	.432

South Region

Conference	Team Points	Wres. Ent.	Matches	W	L	MD	TF	Pins	Win %
Conference 9	285.5	35	133	66	67	9	2	17	.496
Conference 11	161	27	84	34	50	5	0	9	.405
Conference 12	100	12	39	19	20	0	2	6	.487
Conference 10	78.5	10	37	16	21	1	1	6	.432

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SCHOOL (Reg./Conf.)	Wres.	Matches	W	L	MD	TF	Pins
Albemarle (N-16)	2	6	2	4	0	0	2
Atlee (N-16)	3	11	6	5	1	0	2
Bethel (S-10)	2	4	0	4	0	0	0
Briar Woods (N-14)	2	7	4	3	0	0	1
Broad Run (N-14)	6	19	13	6	2	3	3
Brooke Point (N-15)	10	43	29	14	1	0	10
Deep Run (S-11)	2	6	2	4	0	0	1
Douglass Freeman (S-11)	3	8	2	6	0	0	0
Edison (N-13)	3	9	6	3	0	0	1
Glen Allen (S-11)	3	8	1	7	0	0	0
Gloucester (S-10)	1	3	2	1	0	1	1
Green Run (S-9)	1	6	4	2	0	0	3
Henrico (S-11)	2	6	2	4	0	0	1
Hermitage (S-11)	3	13	7	6	0	0	2
Hickory (S-9)	5	22	14	8	2	0	5
Highland Springs (S-12)	2	8	3	5	0	0	3
Indian River (S-9)	4	14	8	6	1	0	1
J. R. Tucker (S-11)	1	4	2	2	0	0	0
Kempsville (S-9)	2	6	2	4	0	0	1
Lee (N-13)	1	5	4	1	0	0	1
Lee-Davis (S-11)	7	24	14	10	5	0	4
Marshall (N-13)	2	6	2	4	0	0	0
Massaponax (N-15)	1	3	2	1	1	0	0
Matoaca (S-12)	7	20	11	9	0	2	2
Maury (S-9)	1	4	2	2	0	0	2
Meadowbrook (S-12)	1	3	1	2	0	0	0
Menchville (S-10)	1	6	4	2	0	0	1
Mills Godwin (S-11)	6	15	4	11	0	0	1
Mountain View (N-15)	8	32	23	9	4	0	6
Nansemond River (S-10)	5	19	9	10	1	0	2
North Stafford (N-15)	5	17	8	9	0	0	3
Norview (S-9)	6	17	4	13	1	0	0
Orange County (N-16)	6	20	8	12	0	1	4
Patrick Henry-A (N-16)	1	4	2	2	0	0	0
Patrick Henry-R (N-16)	9	35	18	17	5	1	4
Potomac (N-15)	12	44	23	21	3	0	7
Prince George (S-12)	2	8	4	4	0	0	1
Princess Anne (S-9)	6	26	15	11	2	1	4
Salem-VB (S-9)	10	38	17	21	3	1	1
Stafford (N-15)	1	2	0	2	0	0	0
Stone Bridge (N-14)	4	12	6	6	2	0	1
Stuart (N-13)	2	4	0	4	0	0	0
Tuscarora (N-14)	2	4	0	4	0	0	0
Wakefield (N-13)	4	10	2	8	1	0	0
Warwick (S-10)	1	5	2	3	0	0	2

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TOP SIX PLACERS

WT. PL NAME	CLASS	SCHOOL	REGION- SEED	RECORDS SEASON	CAREER
<u>106</u>					
1. Devin Sweeny	11	Potomac	N-1	43-5	115-32
2. Jacob Browning	11	Princess Anne	S-1	32-11	81-34
3. Njim Murshidi	11	Briar Woods	N-3		
4. Joseph Jones	11	Salem-VB	S-3	21-11	21-11
5. Bruno Alves	9	Brooke Point	N-5	26-10	26-10
6. Dillon Messick	10	Warwick	S-4		
<u>113</u>					
1. Theo Thaxton	12	Patrick Henry-R	N-1	45-2	149-9
2. Evan Buchanan	9	Atlee	N-2	28-7	28-7
3. Sam Brasswell	11	Matoaca	S-1		
4. Dominick Abbondante	11	Salem-VB	S-2	40-4	79-15
5. Justus Jones	12	Brooke Point	N-4	39-8	
6. Matt Munoz	11	Potomac	N-3	39-15	70-46
<u>120</u>					
1. Brandon Woody	12	Matoaca	S-1	47-3	156-28
2. Carson Tinsley	12	Mills Godwin	S-2	35-3	153-19
3. Josh Montague	11	Brooke Point	N-4	34-12	
4. David Sizemore	11	Hickory	S-5		
5. Denard Stephenson	12	Indian River	S-4		
6. Mariano Hornedo	12	Atlee	N-2	25-11	116-75
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1. Anthony New	11	Salem-VB	S-1	43-0	129-9
2. Kaz Gootee	12	Massaponax	N-1	39-4	123-23
3. Ahmad Bangura	12	Potomac	N-2	32-16	83-68
4. Joseph Altorfer	12	Mountain View	N-4	49-16	146-59
5. Matthew Muller	12	Patrick Henry-R	N-3		
6. Nicholas Benner	10	Orange County	N-6	35-17	
<u>132</u>					
1. Noah Roulo	10	Matoaca	S-1	48-7	87-8
2. Joseph Knight	12	Brooke Point	N-1	44-3	183-29
3. Adnan (Syed) Moaz	10	Potomac	N-3	31-18	58-31
4. Danny Horowitz	12	Hickory	S-2		
5. Caleb Bland	12	Hermitage	S-3		
6. Evan Muller	12	Patrick Henry-R	N-4		

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1. Robert Garnett	12	Edison	N-1	41-8	164-29
2. Tombola Sindihebura	12	Patrick Henry-R	N-2	52-3	166-30
3. Nicholas Taylor	12	Broad Run	N-3		
4. Samson Sausser	12	Norview	S-1		
5. Julio Alegria	11	North Stafford	N-4	40-6	70-26
6. Michael Dew	11	Glen Allen	S-2		

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1. Matt Mitchler	11	Mountain View	N-3	53-5	119-26
2. Daniel Giglio	12	Broad Run	N-2	40-8	140-49
3. Giuseppi Inerra	10	North Stafford	N-1	37-6	74-19
4. Jonathan Conrad	11	Lee-Davis	S-2	35-7	98-25
5. A.J. Deutel	10	Brooke Point	N-4	36-16	
6. Evan Jablonski	12	Salem-VB	S-1	38-3	128-25

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1. Arsam Jafaryzad	12	Stone Bridge	N-1	37-1	100-15
2. Fisher Evans	11	Lee-Davis	S-1	29-7	78-25
3. Kye Colza	12	Lee	N-3		
4. Angelo Garcia	11	Potomac	N-2	32-16	56-36
5. Jacob Tyler	12	Princess Anne	S-3		
6. Elijal Williams	11	Nansemond River	S-2		

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1. Andy Aldridge	9	Lee-Davis	S-1	22-3	22-3
2. Rodrigo Silva	12	Mountain View	N-1	51-5	160-42
3. Jacob Neice	12	Hickory	S-3		
4. Roger Pierce	11	Brooke Point	N-2	30-8	
5. Jakob Kennedy	11	Prince George	S-4		
6. Christian Esquilin	12	Potomac	N-3	33-14	105-34

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1. Michael Battista	12	Broad Run	N-1	35-6	153-31
2. Ronnie Williams Jr.	12	Mountain View	N-4	48-7	129-48
3. Zaki Mohsin	12	Edison	N-2	25-5	113-19
4. Andrew Anthony	12	Lee-Davis	S-1	37-7	135-48
5. Zechariah Gray	10	Nansemond River	S-5		
6. Joshua Morrison	12	Norview	S-2		

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1. Chris Vasquez	11	Mountain View	N-1	57-3	112-22
2. Eric Gamboni	12	Hickory	S-1	36-4	
3. Edward (Ned) Anthony	11	Lee-Davis	S-2	38-5	76-12
4. Sebastian Jardine	12	Princess Anne	S-3		
5. Tyree Gibson	11	Salem-VB	S-4	29-14	55-27
6. Lee Pritchard	12	Patrick Henry-R	N-5		

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1. Russ Pierce	11	Brooke Point	N-2	39-2	109-19
2. Dustin Shifflett	12	Orange County	N-3	29-6	125-52
3. Tyler Phares	12	Mountain View	N-1	55-5	136-54
4. William Baldwin	11	Princess Anne	S-3		
5. Daren Sampson	11	Indian River	S-4		
6. Morris Vaughan	12	Salem-VB	S-1	32-5	76-20

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1. John Birchmeier	10	Broad Run	N-1	39-3	69-8
2. Cameron Walker	11	Gloucester	S-1	38-1	108-10
3. Robbie Adelstein	11	Atlee	N-2	36-6	71-37
4. Kioni Saddler	12	Hermitage	S-3		
5. Avery LeBlanc	10	Menchville	S-6		
6. Davonte Williams	12	Salem-VB	S-2	22-5	22-5

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1. Ramses Montalvo	11	Brooke Point	N-1	42-4	98-24
2. Dia Gray	12	Nansemond River	S-1	49-3	155-19
3. Joshua Isaac	11	Potomac	N-2	50-6	69-14
4. Michael Chang	12	Mountain View	N-3	45-19	129-56
5. Peter Cortapasso	11	Green Run	S-4		
6. Tavien Blackwell	12	Highland Springs	S-3		

STAT NOTES

Brooke Point ended Matoaca's run of three titles by winning the first State Championship in school history. After finishing third in a tightly contested Northern Region tournament the week before, the Black-Hawks stepped it up a notch at States. With two State Champions (and 6 additional placers) they were able to turn a narrow one point margin into a nine point victory over Mountain View with wins at 195 and 285. With Potomac finishing third, the top three teams are all from Conference 15.

Brooke Point has been added to the list of 16 schools that have been crowned team champions since high school wrestling began 69 years ago (in the largest schools classification): 1949 to present - which includes the "Open Period" from 1949 to 1970; the "AAA Period" from 1971 to 2013; and 2014 to present, which now includes 5A and 6A.

Granby	22
Great Bridge	18
Colonial Forge	7
Cox	6
Robinson	6
Matoaca	3
Kempsville	2

One each : Bethel, Brooke Point, Deep Creek, Maury, Menchville, Norview, Washington-Lee, Western Branch and WT Woodson.

As usual, seniors dominated the 2017 5A State Tournament, 42 placed in the top six. Of the 42 underclassmen who placed (30 juniors, 9 sophomores and 3 freshmen), 9 won State Championships and will return next season to defend their titles.

Six returning State Champions were entered in this tournament, three repeated: **Brandon Woody**, **Russ Pierce**, and **Jonathan Birchmeier**, each claiming a second Championship.

Average record of the State Champions: 42-4.

State placers by seed: (1st) 27, (2nd) 20, (3rd) 18, (4th) 8, (5th) 4, (6th) 2

THE CHAMPIONS

106 – Devin Sweeny, Junior, Potomac. Devin is the third State Champion from Potomac (last **Chad Malone**/2001/189), and first year **Coach Ryan Swanson's** first Champion. Coach Swanson wrestled for Woodbridge HS (1997-2000), graduated from Radford University and was the assistant coach at Potomac for nine years, before taking the head position this season. Devin is a 2X Conference 15 champ, 1x Northern Region (NR) runner-up and this season the 5A NR Champion. He placed 4th last year at 106 at States. Devin has been a member of the Navy JROTC at Potomac for three years. He plans to join the United States Marine Corps when he graduates next year. His older brother **Bryce Sweeny** wrestles at Potomac as well, is a senior, and took 3rd at the 2017 5A NR at 120. Bryce was the state runner-up at 106 in 2015 and unfortunately injury defaulted out of this tournament.

113 – Theo Thaxton, Senior, Patrick Henry-Roanoke. By repeating as State Champion, Theo claimed the 2nd title in school history. He is a 4X Conference 16 and 2X Southern Regional Champion. Theo has been wrestling for seven years and plans to go to college next year and study business.

120 – Brandon Woody, Senior, Matoaca. Brandon won his second state title in three years (2015/106) and is a 4X State place winner (2014/5th/106, 2016/3rd/113). His win at this tournament is Matoaca's 16th individual State Championship (10 Champions). Brandon maintains a 3.1 GPA and plans to major in Business in college.

126 – Anthony New, Junior, Salem-Virginia Beach. Anthony completed an undefeated season by winning the 4th State Championship for his school, and **Coach Robert Toran's** second champ in three years (last **Tyrone Gayle** 2015/182). Coach Toran wrestled at Norview HS and Winston-Salem State University where he was a 2X CAA Champion. He has been coaching in the Tidewater area for 30 years (previously at BT Washington/11 years and Norview/7 years). He has coached Salem for five years. Anthony placed 4th last year at 113, has been a 3X Conference 9 Champ, 2X Regional runner-up, and Regional Champ this year. He has wrestled for 8 years and his nickname is "Ant-Man". Anthony wrestles year round and is described as a "wrestling-holic". He has a solid GPA and plans to wrestle in college and major in Physical Therapy.

132 – Noah Roulo, sophomore, Matoaca. Noah became the 11th State Champion in his school's history (17 individual Championships). Noah finished 4th/126 at last year's State tournament. His older brother Blake was a 2010 State Champion at 140 for Matoaca and wrestled in college at Buffalo and George Mason. Noah has a sold 3.2 GPA and hopes to major in engineering in college.

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138 – Robert Garnett, Senior, Edison. Robert is his school's 8th State Champion (8 Championships) and **Coach Scott Racek's** 3rd State Champ in his 12 years at Edison. Coach Racek previously coached at Bishop Ireton for 9 years. Robert wants to wrestle in college and has applied to Maryland, Bucknell, Gettysburg and a few others. He is a 4X Conference Champ, 2X Regional Champ and a 4X State Placer (2014/2nd/106, 2015/3rd/113, 2016/5th/132). In addition to wrestling, Robert also has played lacrosse for 4 years. His career wins of 164 places him second for Edison behind 2014 State Champ **Brock Jacobson's** 176 wins. Robert has a 3.9 GPA and is an IB student. His sister Glenny is an outstanding field hockey and lacrosse player.

145 – Matt Mitchler, Junior, Mountain View. Matt is his school and **Coach Frank DeBerry's** 4th State Champion. Coach DeBerry coached another State Champion while at North Stafford HS (**Justin Tribble** 2011/215). He has coached Mountain View for six years (dual record of 156-32). Matt is a year-round wrestler. He is a NHSCA Academic All-American, plans to attend and wrestle in college, but undecided on where. His future plan is to become an Astronaut.

152 – Arsam Jafaryzad, Senior, Stone Bridge. Arsam is the first State Champion for his school and **Coach Mike Faul**. Coach Faul has coached for many years in Northern VA and took over the Stone Bridge program in 2006. Growing up Arsam was an avid soccer player, in addition to other sports. He stepped on the mat for the first time as an 8th grader, at his father's suggestion. Since high school, he has dedicated himself to wrestling. His dedication proved worthy and as he capped his senior season with his 100th victory as the State Champion. Arsam hopes to attend Virginia Tech in the fall and to major in Aerospace Engineering.

160 – Andy Aldridge, Freshman, Lee-Davis. Andy became his school's 5th State Champ (7 Championships) and **Coach Craig Spruill's** 2nd Champion, in his fifth year at the helm of his alma mater. Coach Spruill was a 2X State placer for L-D (1998/5th/152 and 1999/4th/145). Coach Spruill also wrestled at Longwood College until the program was dropped in 2001. Andy does not participate in any other high school sports but he does a lot of weight training and fishes as a hobby. He has been wrestling for 11 years. A rare freshman champion, we'll be watching Andy for another three years.

170 – Michael Battista, Senior, Broad Run. Michael became his school's 3rd State Champion in 2015/160, but missed last season due to injury. He is first-year **Head Coach Josh Costa's** first State Champion. Coach Costa took over this season after being the BR assistant coach for five years. He had previously been an assistant for 5 years at Fairfax HS. Michael has been wrestling for seven years, and was a Fargo All-American, took 8th place at the Beast of the East, and 3rd at Escape the Rock. He carries a 4.0 GPA and has signed to attend and wrestle at UVA for **Coach Steve Garland**. He plans to study medicine at UVA.

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182 – Chris Vasquez, Junior, Mountain View. Chris became his school and **Coach Frank DeBerry's** 5th State Champion. Chris is a dedicated all-year wrestler. He maintains a 3.8 GPA and is also a NHSCA Academic All-American. He plans to wrestle in college, while majoring in Engineering, but has not settled on a school.

195 – Russ Pierce, Senior, Brooke Point. Last year Russ was **Coach Jake Johnson's** first State Champion. By repeating, he brought the school total to 2 Championships. Coach Johnson wrestled at Mountain View HS, assisted at MV and Massaponax HS for several years, came to BP six years ago, and has been the Head Coach for 3 years. This season Russ won the Battle at the Bridge tourney, Marine Ultimate Challenge at Colonial Forge and was an All-Area selection during football season. His younger brother **Paul** also competed at this tournament and placed 5th/160. Russ has no finalized plans for college at the moment, but would like to study nursing.

220 – Jonathan Birchmeier, Sophomore, Broad Run. Jonathan won his second straight State Championship in a convincing manor, with two first period pins and a 15-6 major decision in the final. He is first-year **Coach Josh Costa's** second State Champ, with his school's 6th individual title. Jonathan is a 2X Conference and Region Champ, and placed 5th at the prestigious Escape the Rock tourney in PA. Jonathan also excels at football, where he is a varsity starter at TE and DL. He currently carries a 3.7 GPA and loves weight training. He has wrestled for most of his life. He is already receiving interest from Division I programs in both sports and has been on D-1 recruiting visits.

285 – Ramses Montalvo, Junior, Brooke Point. Ramses ended the 2017 5A Tournament by becoming his school and **Coach Jake Johnson's** 2nd State Champion (3 Championships). Ramses had an outstanding season, winning the Lee-Davis Tourney, The Battle of the Bridge, and 1st place at his Conference and Regional tournaments. He has been wrestling for four years.

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NEXT SEASON

Place winners returning next season

SOUTH	Returners		NORTH	Returners
Conference 9	9		Conference 15	15
Conference 10	5		Conference 16	3
Conference 11	5		Conference 14	2
Conference 12	3		Conference 13	0
Total	22		Total	20

The following schools have three or more placers back next year (with team points from this tournament):

6 Each – Brooke Point (101)

4 Each – Potomac (76); Lee-Davis (70); Salem-VB (53)