



ROCKET
WRESTLING
FACTORY



19-20 Neenah Middle School Wrestling
Parent Meeting
Tuesday December 17th 2019



Neenah Middle School Wrestling

19-20 Season Slogan

“FIND A WAY”



Mission of Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020

“Building Students of Wrestling; Creating Champions in Life”

#1 Championship People

Taking risks to accomplish goals/missions

Academic, Social, Athletic Champions



Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Kyle Kleuskens: Neenah Wrestling Head Coach

Ben McDonald: Co-Head MS Coach

Josh Mueller: Co-Head MS Coach

Curt Sheppard: Co-Assistant MS Coach

Nate Novak: Co-Assistant MS Coach

Kelly Herm: Volunteer MS Coach

Scott Eckstein: Volunteer MS Coach

Isaiah McCormick : Volunteer MS Coach

Briar Haas: Volunteer MS Coach



Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Head Varsity Coach

Kyle Kleuskens

5th Season as Neenah Wrestling Head Coach

2017-2018 FVA Coach of the Year

NCAA Academic All-American 2011 for UW Oshkosh

2X Team Captain @ UW Oshkosh 2010, 2011

Wisconsin National Team Coach 2011-2014

I cherish the relationships and lifelong friendships I have gained through my experiences as a competitive student/athlete and coach.

I truly love the sport of wrestling and having the opportunity for my ongoing experiences in wrestling to continue to shape me into the man I am today.

I am 100% committed to the present and future of Neenah Wrestling and enjoy the process of working hard to achieve our program goals of Championship People and Championship Results.



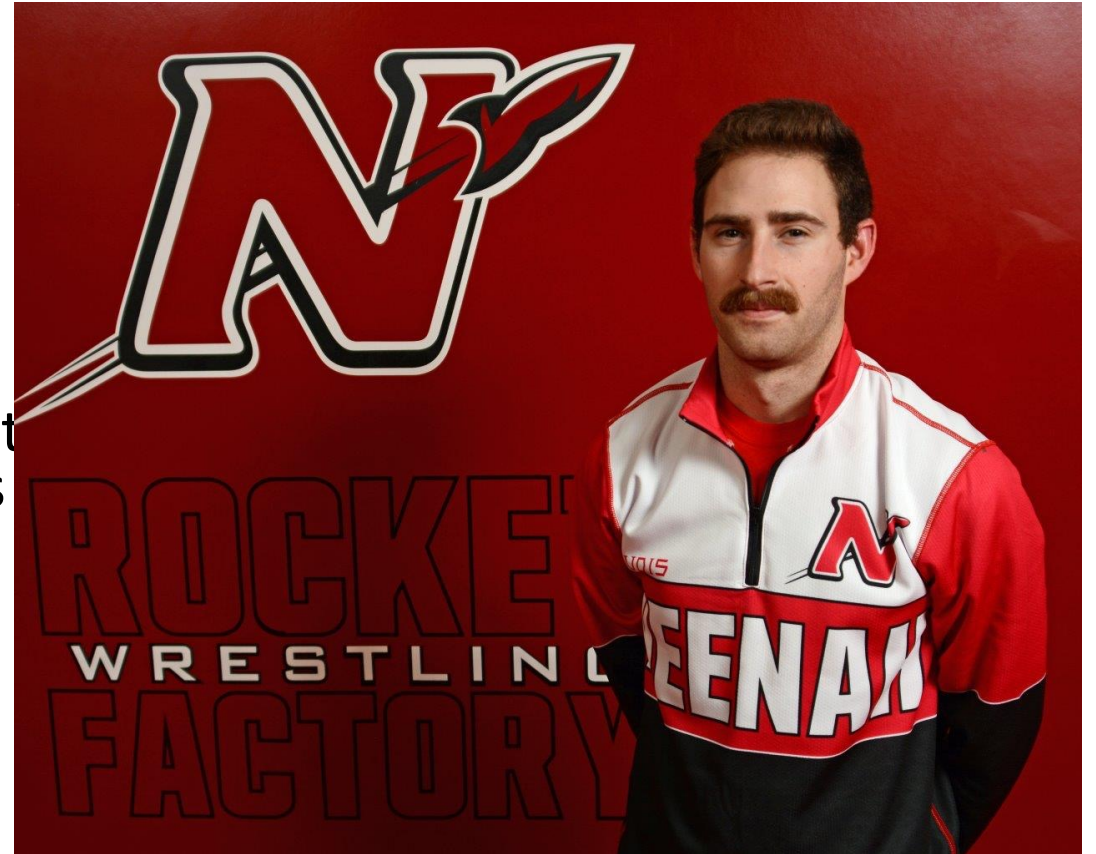
Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Co-Head Coach

Ben McDonald

6th Season Coaching

I coach wrestling to give back to the sport that gave me so much. Wrestling taught me about hard work and dedication. I want to help our athletes learn similar lessons as they compete for our team.



Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Co-Head Coach

Josh Mueller

4th Season Coaching (3rd as Co-head Coach)

If it weren't for wrestling, I wouldn't be where I am today. It's incredibly rewarding to give back to the sport and see young athletes make strides in their athletic ability, mental toughness, and develop the mindset to take on challenges regardless of the outcome.



Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Co-Assistant Coach

Curt Sheppard

3rd Season Coaching

I have passion for the sport of wrestling. Wrestling motivates athletes to find a way to break through challenges that come with the sport. It is rewarding for me to coach students and see them succeed in wrestling and in life.



Neenah High School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Co-Assistant Coach

Nate Novak

3rd Season Coaching

Previously Head Coach Neenah Youth Wrestling

Coaching to me is connecting with athletes to help them enjoy and become better in the sport and life. I coach to make a positive connection with our athletes, as the best return on coaching is making a connection with an athlete that effects them positively for the rest of their athletic career and/or life.



Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Volunteer Assistant

Kelly Herm

2nd Season Coaching

Previously Coached Neenah Youth Wrestling

I coach to help pass on my love and respect for the sport of wrestling. I believe that by coaching I can give back to the sport that helped me be the man I am today.



Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Volunteer Assistant

Scott Eckstein

2nd Season Coaching @ Neenah

I coach wrestling because I enjoy watching the kids grow and become successful in both competition and in life. Involvement in wrestling provides students with skills and mental toughness that will serve them well throughout their lives. The sport of wrestling has given me a lot and coaching has provided me the opportunity to give back.



Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Volunteer Assistant

Isaiah McCormick

1st Season Coaching

2019 State Place Winner (6th place)

2X WIAA State Qualifier

2X All-State Scholar Athlete

2X HS Team Captain

I coach to give back to a program I felt has given so much to me. Hopefully I will be able to help some kids somewhere along the way. Not only in wrestling but be a good role model as well.



Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Coaching Staff

Volunteer Assistant

Briar Haas

1st Season Coaching

2018 WIAA State Qualifier

The reason why I chose to coach is because I love the sport of wrestling. Wrestling has taught me so many different life lessons, such as self discipline, integrity, willingness to work hard, and how to apply myself. Coaching to me is a way to give back to the program that I went through, And I want to see the kids grow with the sport and hopefully get out the most from it.



Neenah Middle School Wrestling Expectations- Attendance

- Attendance is required for all practices, meets and tournaments
 - If injured or medically unable to wrestle, wrestlers are expected to support the team and attend all practices, meets and tournaments
 - Winter break training options will be announced
- If your wrestler will not be able to attend an event please contact Coach Ben or Coach Josh ASAP
 - Critical for meets or tournaments as match-ups will need to be re-worked
 - bmcdonald@neenah.k.12.wi.us or muellerjosh9@gmail.com . Coaches are also available via cell, Ben - (920) 277-0776 or Josh - (920) 420-4509



**Life of a
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Neenah Joint School District



Neenah Middle School Wrestling Equipment

Wrestler will be issued a uniform to use for the season

Mouthguards are required if a wrestler has braces

Wrestling shoes

Wrestling head gear



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Neenah Middle School Wrestling Team Uniforms

Team Uniforms

Includes:

- RUDIS Singlet
- RUDIS Fight Shorts
- Long Sleeve Shirt
- ***Value of \$115

All items property of Neenah Middle School wrestling.

Failure to return items at end of season will result in a fine.

Wash Wrestling Gear...

1. Cold Water
2. Wash Singlets Inside Out
3. Hang Dry Singlets



Neenah Middle School Wrestling Team Rules for Skin Infection Prevention

- *Daily Shirt Color Policy*

Mon- Red

Tue- Gray

Wed- Black

Thurs- White

Fri- Choice

- *Wrestlers must shower immediately following any wrestling...no exceptions!!!*
- *Laundry after every practice/meet*
- *Wrestling Mats are washed before and after every practice*

Neenah Middle School Wrestling

Meet Match-Ups

- Middle school meets are organized in a manner to encourage positive live wrestling for the wrestlers. Overall, matches are created to pair wrestlers at similar abilities and weights.
- Weight Class: None. Coaches will keep track of weight throughout the season and send the host school our team roster with weights and abilities ahead of time.
- Ranking: Most host schools ask for rankings on a 5 point scale 5= brand new to wrestling 1= find this wrestler competition.
- Matches: Wrestlers will wrestle three 90 second periods followed by a one minute overtime if necessary.

Neenah Middle School Wrestling

Tournament Match-Ups

- Dual team tournaments are structured to send the best wrestler at each weight class on the mat. If we have two wrestlers at a specific weight class the second wrestler would wrestle if the competing school also has a second wrestler (This match would count toward our team score as well).
- Weight Class: Varies based on the tournament. We will ask our athletes to wrestle at specific weight classes. It is important that if a wrestler is slotted for a weight that they make that weight on the morning of the tournament. For example, if the weight class is 95 lbs we would expect that wrestler to weigh in at 95.0 or lower (95.1 would result in the athlete having to wrestle in the next weight class up). In middle school wrestling we would never ask a wrestler to cut any weight, but if they are within a pound of a lower weight class we will ask the wrestler and parents which weight class they would prefer to wrestle at.

Neenah Middle School End of Season Honors/Awards

At the conclusion of the season we will have a banquet with a fun team activity

Awards to be presented:

6th Grade

- MVP
- Most Improved
- BUY IN

7th Grade

- MVP
- Most Improved
- BUY IN

8th Grade

- MVP
- Most Improved
- BUY IN

State Qualifier Awards for All
Wrestlers Who Advance



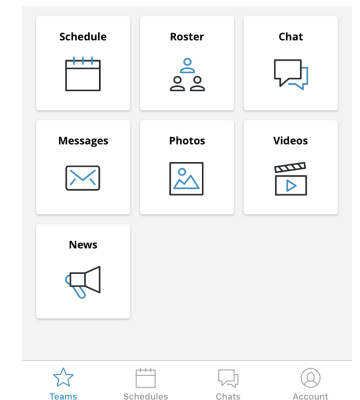
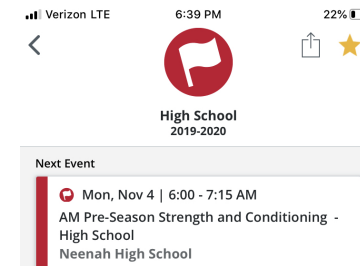
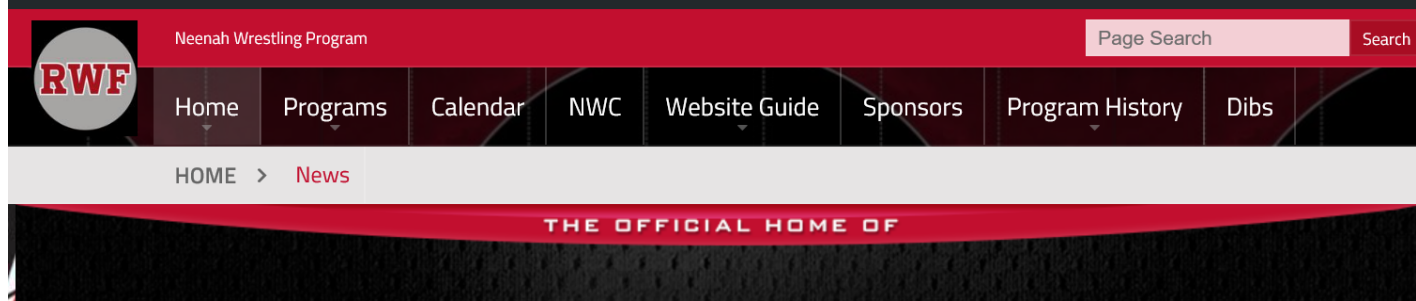
Neenah Middle School Wrestling Website & App

Website - www.neenahwrestling.com

****Primary mode of communications****

Access registration, calendars, news, photos, apparel, volunteer sign-ups (Dibs), club meetings info.

Note: In calendar menu make sure to scroll down to "show tag menu" and select middle school otherwise calendar will appear empty



Neenah Wrestling Club

2019-2020 Board and Volunteer Roles

Sara Sheppard: President 2nd Year; 3rd Year on Board

Craig Fochs: Vice President 3rd Year

Bridget Beauchamp: Treasurer 5th Year

Paige Lambert: Secretary 2nd Year

Angela Farrell: Youth Wrestling Coordinator

Kari Jo Butzke: Assistant Youth Wrestling Coordinator

Kyle Kleuskens: Director

Heidi Leverance: Middle School Concessions Co-Chair,
Volunteer Sign-Up (DIBS)

LynnAnn Gast: Concessions

Missy Hayward: Concessions

Melissa Novak: Concessions

Kelly Kramp: Middle School Concessions Co-Chair

Lisa Fochs: Fundraising & Apparel

Tessa Rasmussen: Technology Coordinator



Neenah Middle School Wrestling Fundraiser

Mill City Cash Raffle

1 for \$10.00 or 3 for \$25.00

Drawing February 1st at Mill City Melee MS Tournament

Prizes 1st place - \$2,000 2nd Place \$1,000 3rd Place \$500 4th Place \$250

Each wrestler is expected to sell 12 tickets

All raffle tickets MUST be returned (sold and unsold)

Return ticket stubs and money by January 20th

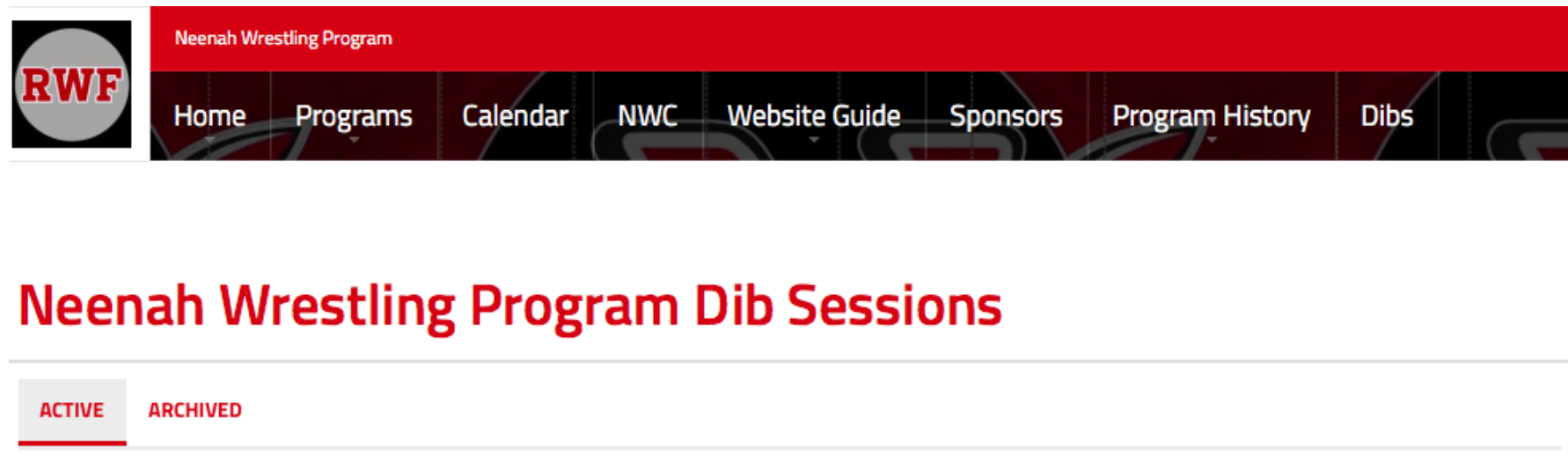
Need more tickets? Contact neenahrocketwrestling@gmail.com

Neenah Middle School Wrestling Volunteer Needs

Our program is funded 100% by sponsors and **volunteers!!**

Please help us continue a successful program by volunteering for a minimum of one task.

Sign-up on the Dibs section of our website neenahwrestling.com.



Neenah Middle School Wrestling

New Wrestling Parent Guide

- Practice ends between 5:15 & 5:30 pm unless notified otherwise
- Dual meets are scheduled to start at 4:15 and will end at 7:30 whether all matches have been completed or not
- Most meets will have a limited concession stand (snacks and beverages)
- Typically no entrance fee for spectators to middle school meets
- Wrestlers are expected to ride the bus to and from all events, if there is a situation where you have to transport the wrestler a waiver form must be filled out
- You are responsible for your wrestlers food on tournament days (pack a cooler or bring cash)
- Plan to pay a spectator fee at tournaments



Neenah Middle School Wrestling State Tournament Qualifier

Participation is optional but highly encouraged

Regionals take place at 8 locations in the state of Wisconsin on March 21st (Most wrestlers attend Bayport or Fond du Lac)

Brackets are set by birth year and tournament designated weight classes

Top 2 wrestlers qualify for the youth state tournament in Madison on March 27th/28th



Neenah Middle School Wrestling 2019-2020 Competitions

January 2nd @NHS (Rumble at Rocketorium)
January 5th @ NHS (Youth Tournament)
January 18th @ Wausau West
January 20th @ Shiocton
January 27th @ Rosholt
February 1st Neenah Mill City Melee
February 4th Home
February 10th @ Fond du Lac
February 16th @ Slinger
February 17th @ Clintonville
February 24th @ Clintonville
March 3rd @ Weyauwega-Fremont
March 10th @ Menasha (Maplewood)
March 14th @ Wrightstown
March 21st @ WWF Youth Regional*
March 27rd @ WWF Youth State*

*The WWF Regional and State tournaments are not school affiliated and optional

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**Thank You for Attending
Together lets make it a great Season**

