Membership Clarifications and Policy Updates for 2025-26

Victory School of Wrestling is a USA Wrestling chartered club. Club charter benefits include liability insurance for practice sessions supervised by Wrestling Leader members and general liability protection for club leaders and volunteers. *All members of the club must be individual members of USA Wrestling*.

All our coaches and volunteers have completed the most recent (and required) Safe Sport training, background check, and other requirements to become members of USA Wrestling for the 2025-26 membership year (September 1, 2025-August 30, 2026).

USA Wrestling Membership:

All participants are required to have a current USA Wrestling membership to participate in practices. <u>If an athlete turns 18 before August 30, 2026, he/she must complete the Safe Sport requirements through USAW</u>.

There will be a *one-practice grace period* because of various circumstances (travel distance, etc.) and individuals exploring options, however, a membership must be purchased to continue participating. This will be in step with our "try one practice for free" option.

Athletes (and coaches) will be checked in for every practice (group, one-on-one, camps, etc.). The USAW membership system indicates who has current memberships and who doesn't. You will be notified by email every time you/your athlete(s) checks in at Victory School of Wrestling. Make sure your contact information is up to date in the USAW membership system.

You will receive an e-mail from victorywrestling 2.0@gmail.com if you/your athlete has attended practice without a current USAW membership.

The USAW membership season is September 1, 2025-August 30, 2025. There is no pro-rated fee available regardless of when the membership is purchased. Please review the benefits of being a member.

Payment:

All participants should pay for membership/practices in advance. Those who are checked in through the USAW membership system and are not current members or have not paid the drop-in fee will be sent an invoice through email from <u>victorywrestling2.0@gmail</u> and/or our Square account. Athletes with outstanding invoices are not allowed to participate.

Athletes can try one practice for free. After one practice, athletes must register for the monthly membership or pay the \$30 drop-in fee each time they attend. Victory School of Wrestling accepts cash, credit card, check, and Venmo. Payment links are available on our website.

Monthly Memberships:

Monthly payment plans are the most efficient and cost-effective way to participate in opportunities at Victory School of Wrestling. Memberships are set-up so members can make automatic monthly payments with no hassle. Membership includes scheduled mat practices in preseason, in season, and post season (see calendar), various recovery options (sauna, etc.), open mat access (by appointment), and the Exclusive Camp or Ultimate Warriors Camp. Strength training programs and one-on-one/private sessions are not included in membership.

Tournaments:

Athletes are welcome to register for events under the club's name "Victory School of Wrestling" ay their own discretion. Athletes will never be required to compete under the Victory namesake. Only current members in good standing are permitted to use the Victory name at events. Victory does not provide coaching at events that are not on the 2025-26 calendar. Athletes are free to choose their club affiliation at Kid's qualifier/State and freestyle/Greco-Roman state. It is easier for coaches to follow athletes on TrackWrestling or USA Bracketing when registered under Victory School of Wrestling, however, it is not a prerequisite for athletes who desire coaching at events that coaches are in attendance.