

# 2017 KANSAS STATE WRESTLING FOLKSTYLE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

**DATE:** March 25-26, 2017

**LOCATION:** Kansas Expocentre, One Expocentre Drive, Topeka, Kansas

**RULES:** National Federation of State High School Association Rules with USAWA- Kansas modifications will be followed. Skin conditions, fingernails, and special equipment will be checked before entering weigh-in.

**SEEDING:** District I vs. III  
District II vs. IV

**SEEDING MEETINGS** –Seeding meeting dates and times are established at the District level. At the seeding meeting, weight or age corrections or scratches may be made in all age groups, including walk-on wrestlers, prior to the start of seeding the wrestlers without requiring a penalty fee. Additional entries may be made in writing one hour prior to the published start time of the seeding meeting, but any such entrant may be required to pay a penalty fee. Once the seeding starts, no changes, or additions will be allowed except in the case of clerical errors by the tournament director.

**TICKET SALES:** Tickets may be purchased from the Kansas Expocentre Ticket Office during the hours listed below. Doors to the arena will open both days at 6:30 a.m. Seating will be on a first-come / first-serve basis.

Friday	March 24	2:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	March 25	6:30 a.m. - complete
Sunday	March 26	6:30 a.m. - complete
Toddlers (4 and under)	FREE	
Children (5-12)	\$ 2.00 per day	
Adults (13 and over)	\$ 4.00 per day	

You must retain your ticket stub if you plan to exit and re-enter the Kansas Expocentre. If you lose your ticket stub, you will be required to purchase another ticket. There is no exception to this rule as the Kansas Expocentre handles all ticket sales.

No saving of seats on Friday night for Saturday or Saturday night for Sunday will be allowed and all ADA handicapped seating are reserved for its intended purpose. Violation of this will result in a member of staff reminding you of the violation and you will be asked to move. Thank you for your cooperation.

**WEIGH-IN: All participants' will weigh-in wearing a properly worn singlet.** A nail, skin and special equipment check will be conducted before entering the weigh-in area. Emergency Contact Number: (785) 224-5161 (Mark Stanley) or (785) 823-3987 (Rich Zimmerman). If voicemail picks up, LEAVE A MESSAGE. A missed call will not be considered proper notification, but a voicemail (with time/date stamp) will be considered in any decision making process.

Friday, March 24	4:00 - 7:00 pm
Saturday, March 25	6:00 - 6:30 am

When weighing-in, you will be required to have all paperwork and special equipment with you (mouth guard, etc). Wrestlers shall be clean shaven, with sideburns trimmed no lower than the earlobe level. If a wrestler is suspected by the referee of having a communicable skin disease or any other condition that makes participation appear inadvisable, the parent/coach shall provide current (dated within one week of the State Tournament) written documentation as defined the NFHS or USAW Kansas, from an appropriate health-care professional stating that the suspected disease or condition is not communicable and that the athlete's participation would not be harmful to any opponent. This document shall be furnished at weigh-in. The only exception would be if a designated, on-site meet appropriate health-care professional is present and is able to examine the wrestler either immediately prior to or immediately after weigh-in. Covering a communicable condition shall not be considered acceptable and does not make the wrestler eligible to participate. If a designated, on-site meet appropriate health-care professional is present, he/she may overrule the diagnosis of the appropriate health-care professional signing the medical release form for a wrestler to participate or not participate with a particular skin condition.

- Wrestlers and their families will be able to enter the facility at 2pm through Exhibition Hall. You may either stay in Exhibition Hall or go into Landon Arena and be seated. However, you will not be allowed on the wrestling arena floor (Landon Arena) until your weight is called. Weigh-ins will not start until 4:00 pm.
- Wrestlers will be seated on the west side of the arena by age and weight.
- Wrestlers will be called to the floor by groups.
- If you miss your age/weight group, you will weigh in after the other groups are complete
- If you do not make weight you will be able to weigh in again after the groups are done.
- Wrestlers will be able to use all scales to try to make weight.
- Once you have made weight, you will exit to Exhibition Hall and you can either stay in that part of the building or leave.
- The Topeka Lodging Association will be hosting a BBQ from 4pm-7pm just outside Exhibition Hall for participating athletes. A ticket, which will be handed out at weigh in, is required to take part.

**COACHES MEETING:** Saturday, March 25 7:30 a.m.  
The meeting will be held in the Exhibition Hall.

**PARADE OF ATHLETES:** The procession will start at 8:00 AM Saturday, March 25. All officials, wrestlers, and coaches should be in Exhibition Hall no later than 7:45 a.m. ready to go.

**WRESTLING STARTS:** 8:30 a.m. Saturday, March 25th  
8:00 a.m. Sunday, March 26th

**SMOKING POLICY:** The Kansas Expocentre is SMOKE-FREE! During all events, designated smoking will be outside the south center glass doors. Kansas Expocentre personnel will staff this area and they will provide individuals with a hand stamp. This hand stamp will allow admittance back into the facility.

**PASS GATE:** The pass gate is located on the south end / lower level of Landon Arena (handicap entrance). It is **REQUIRED** that anyone entering the facility **FREE OF CHARGE**, enter through the pass gate. The pass gate is for wrestlers who are participating in the tournament (arms must have the appropriate marking), coaches with 2016-17 coaches cards, officials, table workers, and press officials.

**SECURITY:** The Kansas Expocentre handles all of our security needs. If they find you on the floor without proper identification, you will be asked to return to the stands. Do not disagree with them, just do as they ask! Please inform your coaches and parents that to be on the floor, they must have the **correctly colored wristband visible at all times**.

**COACHES:** You will be allowed in the building free of charge when entering through the pass gate **provided** you have your 2016-17 (current year) coaches card with you. To be allowed onto the arena floor you **must** have the coaches' band on and visible at all times.

**COACHES BANDS:** A motion passed at the 2008 State Body Meeting requires any coach to have a Bronze card certification, current year USA Wrestling Coach Membership Card, be in good standing with their Club, District and State to receive a nontransferable coaches pass. You can pick up your Coaches Bands in Exhibition Hall on Friday from 2:00 – 7:00 pm.

**The Club Directors MUST submit a list of coaches names who are NOT in good-standing or will not be allowed to have a coaches pass after Districts to the State Tournament Director by email on a Deadline of Monday midnight, March 20th to Mark Stanley.**

Mail your list of coaches who are NOT in good standing to: Mark Stanley, Asst. Folkstyle Director, 2103 NE 35<sup>th</sup>, Topeka, KS 66617 or by email to: [usawks.statetournament@gmail.com](mailto:usawks.statetournament@gmail.com)

To pick up your coaches bands, you will need to provide the information listed below, at a designated table in Exhibition Hall from 2:00 – 7:00 pm on Friday. The only other time coaches' passes will be available is at the pass gate / handicap entrance until 10:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday morning. In order to obtain a coaches pass, you must present the following:

1. 2016-17 Coaches Card
2. Bronze Level Certification Card (check to be sure your name is on the list on the web site prior to the Qualifying Tournament Series)
3. Identification (must be a photo ID)

**TABLE WORKERS:** District directors are in charge of finding table workers from their area. Club directors should contact them if you who are willing to offer your clubs assistance. District Directors are District I – Joe Knecht (913) 709-9875, District II – Richard Salyer (316) 541-2764, District III – Rich Zimmerman – (785) 823-3987, and District IV - Steve Woody (785) 626-3309.

Table workers will be admitted free only the day they are working. Table workers **must** enter through the pass gate (handicap entrance) and be wearing the correct colored wristbands. You can pick up your table workers wristbands/passes Friday evening during weigh-in from your District Director. Table workers **should not purchase** a ticket for the day they are working. There will be two different colored bands for each day. You are allowed on the floor **only** during the shift you are working. Security and/or officials will not allow a table workers pass to be at mat side coaching.

**PARADE OF CHAMPIONS / FINALS ROUND:** The finals round is tentatively scheduled to begin at approximately 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. **ALL WRESTLERS participating in the Parade of Champions will be required to be in a team uniform.** Before the start of the finals round, all six wrestlers will be escorted into the arena. Only those wrestlers competing for the title of “Champion” will be introduced. These wrestlers should begin lining up in Exhibition Hall at 1:30 p.m. **Remember, these times are approximate! We will begin earlier schedule permitting!**

**COOLERS AND BAGS:** The Kansas Expocentre will not allow **ANY food, glass containers, or coolers to be brought into Landon Arena.** They are under contract for all food, beverage, novelty, and concession services in Exhibition Hall and Landon Arena. If you bring a large bag, do not be alarmed when you are asked to open it. **BAGS MAY BE CHECKED!**

**DIABETIC WRESTLERS:** If you have a wrestler that is **diabetic**, the Kansas Expocentre will allow you to bring in some snacks. They will also have the necessary type of food to be available in the event of an emergency.

**AWARDS / PHOTOS:** Plaques will be presented to the top six finishers in each age group and weight bracket. The awards will be given in Landon Arena and then photos will be taken in Exhibition Hall. J & C Imaging will be taking action photos throughout the tournament and an awards photo immediately following the presentation of the awards. They will begin taking “awards” orders for photos on Friday. Parents will be able to gain entrance to Exhibition Hall through Exit 8 (near section 125) located at the north end / upper level of Landon Arena. They will also be taking action photos throughout the tournament. If you would like to order one, you can do so in Exhibition Hall.

**VIDEO CAMERAS:** Video cameras will be allowed in the upper level only. **This means there are to be NO VIDEO CAMERAS on the wrestling floor during the tournament.** We ask that tripods not be used because of safety and fire codes within the Kansas Expocentre. Please try to be considerate of others watching the matches when filming. This is not the decision of the tournament directors, but your executive council!

**PRESS PASSES:** Press passes will be provided by Kansas Expocentre Security personnel at the Pass Gate / Handicap Entrance to individuals who are employed by their local newspaper or other recognized media outlet to cover the 2017 State Tournament and will be admitted free to the tournament and allowed on the arena floor, **provided** they have their official press card from their local newspaper or other recognized media outlet. **Letters requesting individuals to take pictures that do not have the appropriate credentials are not acceptable!** Individuals with press passes will need to enter from the south-end (handicap entrance) / pass gate to gain admission. Only the “official event photographer” will be allowed down the center of the mats.

**CLUB BANNERS:** Club banners may be placed around the arena, however, the Kansas ExpoCentre ask that they be hung with string or zip-ties only....NO TAPE IS ALLOWED.

**MOTELS:** We hope that your club has been able to locate motel rooms in Topeka. If you are having a problem, please contact the Visit Topeka, Inc as they are notified of the availability of rooms. You can contact them at (800) 235-1030. Topeka has more than enough motels to handle our event, so please contact them if you are staying out of the area. We offer the following suggestions when booking motel reservations:

- Keep in contact with the motel throughout the year
- Do not overbook, book only approximately what you will need
- Provide a rooming list to the motel on Monday prior to state (fax it to them and then follow with the original)
- Cancel **immediately** any rooms that you will not be needing - do not hold them past Tuesday
- Club Directors, coaches, and parents - try and watch your children a little closer while at the motel
- Be responsible - you are representing your club and USAW Kansas Kids!

**CAMPERS:** The Kansas ExpoCentre does have camper electrical facilities available on the grounds at a charge of \$15 per day. They are on a first-come, first-serve basis. A dump station is available on-site. If you would like to use the camper hook-up, you will need to check in at the security entrance upon arrival.

**2017 STATE PROGRAM BOOK:** We would like to invite your wrestling club or local businesses to be a part of the 2017 Kansas Kids State Wrestling Program Book. The program book contains pictures of 2016 State Finishers, names of the 2017 state qualifiers, blank brackets, upcoming events, ads, general information pertaining to the state tournaments, etc. Why not make your club a part of the book?

These are available for sale during weigh-in on Friday night and in Kansas Wrestling Hall of Fame booth throughout the tournament.

In the past, several clubs have placed a team photo or have gone around to local businesses and asked them to help sponsor an ad in the book. Parents can also place an ad in the book wishing their son / daughter "GOOD LUCK!"

The cost of placing an ad in the program book is listed below. This year, we will also be selling advertising for the space above each of the 14 scoreclocks. If you (businesses) are interested in doing both, prices are listed below. Please see ad information form enclosed.

<u>Size of Ad</u>	<u>Program Book</u>	<u>Program Book &amp; Scoreclock</u>
1/2 page	\$ 75.00	\$ 125.00
Full Page	\$125.00	\$ 175.00

**PLEASE** have it set exactly the way you want it to appear in the program book. If using a photograph, we ask that you have it photo ready. **It is best to send a black and white photo**, as it will produce a much clearer picture in the book. **Please do not email the pictures or ad!** All money must accompany your ad in order for it to be placed in the book.

### **MEMORIAL PAGE**

Each year we have a few wrestling friends that leave us and pass on to a more peaceful world. If you would like to remember a wrestler, coach, or club supporter from your club who has passed away this past year, we would like to publish a photo, along with your club name, and some general information about this person. If you keep the information to one-half page, there will be no charge for this!

### **DEADLINE**

We must receive the information for the program book **no later than February 28, 2017** to be able to include it in the 2017 program book. When you have your ad information complete, please mail it along with your check, made payable to USAW Kansas Inc./KCWF

**Sean McCarthy**  
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Overland Park, KS 66210  
smokeycabin@hotmail.com - email  
(913) 579-1835 – cell

**Program books will be for sale on Friday during weigh ins and at the tournament all weekend at the Kansas Chapter of the Kansas Wrestling Hall of Fame booth in Exhibition Hall**

## 2017 USAWKS Board of Directors

State Chairman	Mike Juby
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## 2017 USAWKS STATE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

Chairman	Mark Stanley
D1 Rep	Joe Knecht
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Tournament Operations Sub-Committee	
Trackwrestling Assistant	Lonnie Woodman
Trackwrestling Assistant	Scott Edwards
Trackcast Assistant	Steven Foster
Trackcast Assistant	Brian Dultmeier
Weigh-in Coordinator	Rich Zimmerman
Mats Coordinator	Patrick Kelly
Mats Coordinator	Jon Ray
Mats Coordinator	Daniel Reiling
Admin Assistant	Cheryle Seaton

## 2017 State Committee on Discipline (Tournament Appeals)

Matt Treaster  
Joe Knecht  
Richard Salyer  
Rich Zimmerman  
Steve Woody

**SUGGESTIONS:** If you have any comments or suggestions regarding the changes or the tournament in general, please let one of the tournament committee members know.

We wish each Kansas Wrestling Club and their wrestlers the best of luck, as we are about to start the qualifying tournaments. If you have any questions pertaining to the State Tournament or the qualifying requirements, please contact your District Director, contact members of the Tournament Committee by email, or by phone. See you at State!

*Mark Stanley, Joe Knecht, Richard Salyer, Rich Zimmerman, Steve Woody*

**2017 KANSAS KIDS STATE WRESTLING  
FOLKSTYLE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT ITINERARY**

**Friday, March 24**

2:00 - 7:00 p.m.

\* Doors to Exhibition Hall open; visit vendors in Exhibition Hall and/or athletes may set in assigned seats in Landon Arena and wait for weigh-in to begin at 4:00.

\* Coaches bands available – inside Exhibition Hall

\* Ticket Office Open

4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

\* Weigh-In (Landon Arena)

\* BBQ for athletes sponsored by Topeka Lodging Association set up just outside Exhibition Hall.

\* Senior Classic

7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, March 25**

6:00-6:30 a.m.

\* Weigh-In doors open to Exhibition Hall

6:30 a.m.

\* All other Landon Arena doors open to general public

\* Ticket Office Open

7:30 a.m.

\* Coaches Meeting (Exhibition Hall)

7:45 a.m.

\* Wrestlers and coaches should be ready

to go for Parade of Athletes - Exhibition Hall

8:00 a.m.

\* Parade of Athletes

8:15 a.m.

\* Introductions and Announcements

8:30 a.m.

\* Wrestling Begins

7:00 p.m.

\* Wrestling completed for day

**Sunday, March 26**

7:00 a.m.

\* Doors Open / Ticket Office Open

8:00 a.m.

\* Wrestling Starts

1:30 p.m. \*\*

\* Top 6 Finishers should start lining up in Exhibition Hall

2:00 p.m. \*\*

\* Parade / Introduction of Champions

3:00 p.m. \*\*

\* Championship Round

**\*\*\* REMEMBER, these times are approximate! We will begin earlier if we are ahead of schedule!**

**EMERGENCY PHONE (during the event):** This phone number is to be used for emergency calls only! (785) 224-5161.



**CLUB PACKET FORM**

Please list below three names from your club who will be responsible for picking up your club packet on Friday evening during weigh-in. The club packet will contain participant certificates and general tournament information. Only the names listed below will be allowed to pick up the state packet, unless other arrangements are made with us.

CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form by mail or email no later than March 20th, 2017

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