



Individual Wrestling Final Tournament 2017 FINAL NOTES

1. **ATTENDANCE OF CONTESTANTS AND COACHES** - Teams who qualify **six** or more wrestlers will be permitted a third coaching pass. ALL CONTESTANTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE. **ALL OTHERS MUST PURCHASE TICKETS.**

2017 FINAL INDIVIDUAL WRESTLING SCHEDULE *The Palace of Auburn Hills*

Thursday—March 2

Coaches Packets Available	8:00 a.m. (East Entrance)
Inspection	9:30 a.m. (East Entrance)
Weigh-In (Wrestlers in weigh-in area)	10:30 a.m.
Coaches Meeting	10:30 a.m. (Sections 101-103)
Grand March Assembly	1:15 p.m.
Grand March	1:45 p.m.
Anthem	1:53 p.m.
Wrestling	2:00 p.m. Round 1

Friday—March 3

Anthem	8:25 a.m.
Wrestling	8:30 a.m. Round 2
	10:30 a.m. Round 3 (approx)
	1:30 p.m. Round 4 (approx)
Weigh-In	1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Semifinals

7:00 p.m. **Round 5**

Saturday—March 4

Anthem	8:25 a.m.
Wrestling	8:30 a.m. Round 6
	9:45 a.m. Round 7 (approx)

Consolation Finals

Grand March Assembly	11:00 a.m. Round 8 (approx)
Grand March	4:00 p.m.
Grand March	4:30 p.m.
Anthem	4:41 p.m.
Introductions	4:43 p.m.

Finals

4:45 p.m. **Round 9**

2. **ENTRY** - Only the first four place finishers in each weight class at each Regional Tournament will qualify to the Final Tournament. All Divisions will wrestle a 16 wrestler bracket.
3. **AUTHORITY OF PHYSICIAN AT TOURNAMENT** - If the Physician assigned to the tournament decides that a contestant may not start, compete, or continue to wrestle in that tournament, he/she will consult with the Tournament Director. The decision of the medical staff and manager is final.
4. **TOURNAMENT RULES** - The Final Tournament will be conducted in accordance with the National Federation current year Wrestling Rule Book except for modifications listed in FINAL NOTES and the current year *WRESTLING MANAGERS MANUAL* and *PARTICIPATING SCHOOL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION* (*website information, as well*).
5. **WEIGHT CLASSIFICATIONS - SUBSTITUTIONS** - No substitutions or changes in weight classification will be allowed at the Final Tournament.
6. **CONSOLATION COMPETITION** - It is expected that ALL contestants in the Final Tournament will compete until eliminated. (Exception - illness or injury must be cleared through Tournament Manager and attending Physician **prior** to the match being called to a mat.) All contestants, except for championship finalists, will compete in consolation rounds.

7. TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP - None will be determined in the Individual Championship. Voids in the Final Tournament are forfeitures. Wrestlers who fail to compete in the medal rounds will not receive awards unless the tournament manager approves withdrawal for illness or injury as determined by the tournament medical staff.

8. AWARDS - Gold, First; Silver, Second; and Bronze medals, Third - Eighth; will be awarded in each weight classification in all Divisions of the Individual Tournament to athletes in school uniform. Head coverings are prohibited. **Wrestlers who appear in other than the school warm-up will not be permitted on the awards stand.**

9. EXPENSES OF TOURNAMENT - The Michigan High School Athletic Association will assume the administration expenses of the Final Tournament. Schools will assume all expenses related to their wrestlers, coaches and other team members.

10. SUPERVISION OF TEAMS - It is the responsibility of the coach to maintain order and discipline of his team members at all times during tournament competition as well as in eating places, in the tournament city and in hotels or motels. It may be required to undergo a room inspection prior to check out and before the housing charges are finally determined. Disorder and unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated. Violators can expect to be removed from the property.

11. GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE - See coverage in the *PARTICIPATING SCHOOL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION (PSTI)*.

12. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION - Additional information regarding the Final Wrestling Tournament is available on-line at MHSAA.com.

13. 2017 FINAL TOURNAMENT BRACKETS – Brackets for the Individual Final tournament will be determined by a seeding committee using data generated by TrackWrestling.

14. HOUSING FOR THE FINAL INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT:

- A. Coaches who qualify wrestlers to an **Individual** Final Wrestling Tournament are reminded to procure **Housing Reservation Instructions** BEFORE leaving the Regional site. Housing for competitors and coaches will be reserved using the procedure outlined directly by the coach/school.
- B. Be prepared with a credit card to confirm reservations.
- C. Remaining rooms will be available for **PUBLIC SALE** after 7 p.m. on February 28.