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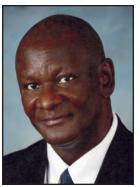




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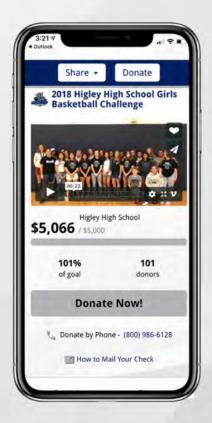
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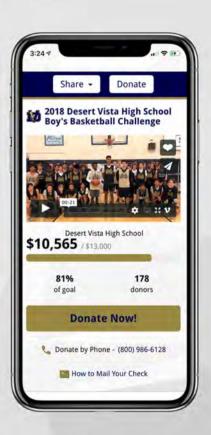


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On behalf of the Arizona Interscholastic Association, I would like to welcome all the participants, coaches, family and friends to our state championship. It is our pleasure to be able to bring you a fantastic event.

It took a great deal of hard work to reach this point. The AIA recognizes the strength it took to get here, as well as the sacrifices made along the way. And for that, we say thank you. The student-athletes, administrators, coaches and families have all earned our gratitude.

While attending this championship, we hope that it is an enjoyable experience for all. The lessons learned regarding sportsmanship and fair play are elevated here. Athletics are an extension of the classroom, which is why we accentuate

the "student" in student-athlete. State championships are just a springboard to the success these student-athletes will achieve when the competition is over. In the process of deriving enjoyment from participation in athletics, our student-athletes are learning lifelong skills that will help them develop into healthy adults and productive citizens. National research continues to validate that students involved in extracurricular activities attend more days of school, perform better in the classroom and have less behavioral issues. This also includes lower dropout, alcohol and drug abuse rates as compared to those who do not participate. The benefits of participation are extensive.

The AIA began in 1913 and has grown by leaps and bounds over the years. Along with the Executive Board, the AIA vigorously defends and promotes the positive developments of athletics, creates a culture that fosters self-governance and ethical behavior, and teaches, enforces, advocates and models the principles of the Arizona Accord and "Pursuing Victory With Honor." Today, nearly 125,000 student-athletes statewide benefit from the leadership of our Board, administrators and hard-working coaches on an annual basis.

As you enjoy all the championship contests, please show respect to those around you. Displays of good sportsmanship will place you in high regard along with your school and your community, and remind us all that, sports are meant to be fun and enjoyed by not only those participating, but those in attendance. The AIA hopes this championship, as well as any others you may attend, achieves the level of excellence our student-athletes deserve. Remember that these are "our students, our teams ... our future."

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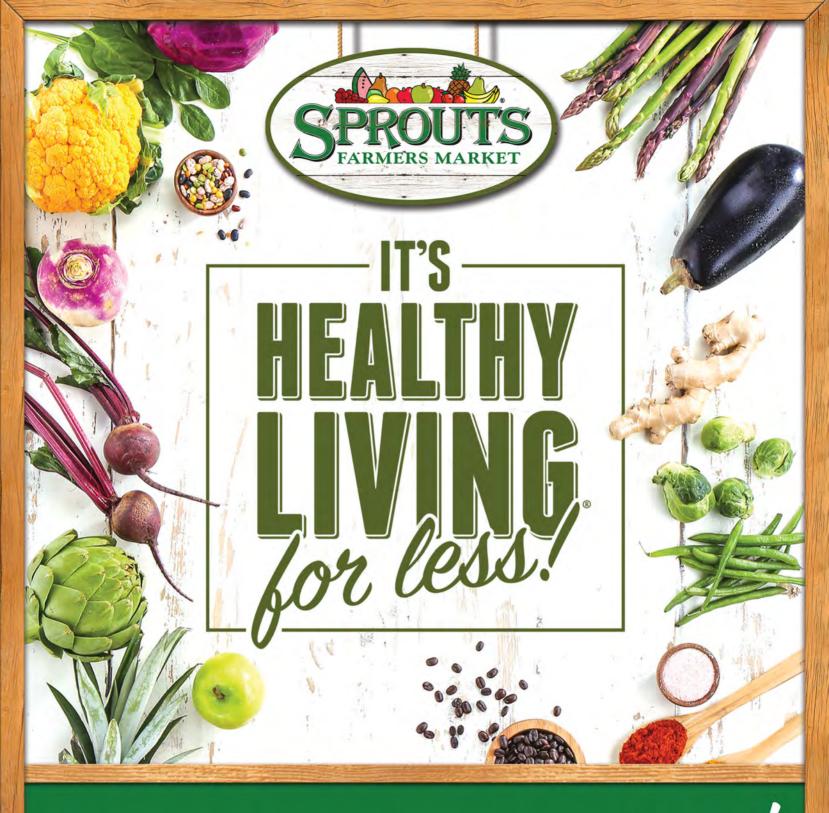
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D-I State Wrestling:

Desert Vista, Liberty, Mtn. View Teams to Watch

By Les Willsey azpreps365.com

Sunnyside will not rule the Division I state boys state wrestling meet this year. The Blue Devils are back in D-II vying to wreak havoc there.

That opens the door for a handful of teams to compete for the D-I team crown for 2019 supremacy this week (Feb. 8-9) at Findlay Center in Prescott Valley.

Below are the top four seeds in each weight class and general outlook on the top contenders for the team title:

106 pounds: *1. Charles Boyle, Westwood. 2. Zander Phatouros, Liberty. 3. Cesar Avelar, Brophy. 4. Zac Randall, Highland.

113: 1. *Zach Espalin, Chandler. 2. Carson Coy, Liberty. 3. Hunter Richards, Mountain View. 4. Anthony Gonzales, Corona del Sol.

120: *1. Zach Kvalve, Corona del Sol. *2. Andres Avelar, Cesar Chavez. 3. Caleb Pool, Tucson. 4. Jonathon Rogers, Liberty.

126: Alex J. Rodriguez, Basha. 2. Bradley Basgall, Mountain View. 3. Bryce Bernard, Valley Vista. *4. Isai Alonzo, Kofa.

132: *1. Bowen Doolen, Mountain View. 2. Mourece Ramirez, Desert Vista. 3. Jonah Muhammad, Hamilton. *4. Andrew Correa, Liberty.

138: 1. Dylan Quinn, Basha. *2. Steve Jarman, Mesa. *3. Seth Fernandez, Queen Creek. 4. Edgar Delgado, Liberty.

145: 1. Alfonso Martinez, Desert Vista. 2. Issac Evans, Hamilton. *3.Collin McCorkle, Liberty. 4. Connor Blakeman, Red Mountain.

152: *1. Denan Fernandez, Queen Creek. 2. Zeke Guerrero, Cibola. 3. Ali Hansen, Mesa. 4. Will Kemper, Chandler.

160: *1. Sheldon Cole, Boulder Creek. *2. Preston Cameau, Desert Vista. 3. Freddy Latu, Hamilton, 4. Daris Beavers, Mountain View.

170: *1. Justice Smith, Desert Vista. 2. Matthew Stevenson, Liberty. 3. Connor Boyd, Perry. 4. Dale Jones, Skyline.

182: 1. Donovan Corn, Hamilton. 2. Makai Obregon, Valley Vista. 3. Alex Galindo, Cesar Chavez. 4. Liam Hoffmeyer, Cibola.

195: *1.Jeremiah Hollen, Mountain View. *2. Travis Calloway, Perry. *3. Armondo Delgado, Desert Vista. 4. Luke Pauga, Liberty.

220: 1. Nathaniel Deasey, Chandler. *2. Luke Padwe, Pinnacle. 3. David Palosika, Mountain Pointe. 4. Reuben Malaonado, Cesar Chavez.

285: *1. Brett Johnson, Desert Vista. *2. Mathew Eager, Westwood. *3. Justin Clatterbuck, Perry. 4. Jacob Moore, Boulder Creek.

outlook and notes: Six schools qualified at least 11 of 14 wrestlers -- Mountain View qualified all 14, Liberty, moving up from D-II has 13, Desert Vista, Hamilton and Perry 12 each and Cibola 11. Desert Vista has five wrestlers who placed at state last year among its 12 qualifiers, Liberty three and Mountain View two. Ten of Liberty's qualifiers are seeded either No. 1 or No. 2. Nine of Desert Vista's and Mountain View's qualifiers also are seeded either No. 1 or No. 2.

The field possesses three defending state champions. One is a two-time champ --Queen Creek senior Denen Fernandez who shoots for a third consecutive title and fourth time as a state placer. Fernandez was a runner-up in D-II as a freshman at 126 and has titles the last two years at 138 and 145 in D-II. Queen Creek is up in D-I this year where Fernandez is competing at 152. Mountain View senior Jeremiah Hollen is a two-time state place -- champ last year at 195 and runner-up in that class in 2017. Chandler sophomore Zach Espalin competing at 113 this year won the 106 title last year.

Two wrestlers with more than 10 decisions bring unbeaten records to the tournament -- Boulder Creek's Sheldon Cole (51-0) at 160 and Mtn. View's Hollen (44-0). Four others have one loss - Queen Creek's Fernandez (41-1), Desert Vista's Brett Johnson (40-1) at 285, Hamilton's Donovan Corn (40-1) at 182 and Mesa High's Steve Jarman (52-1) at 138.





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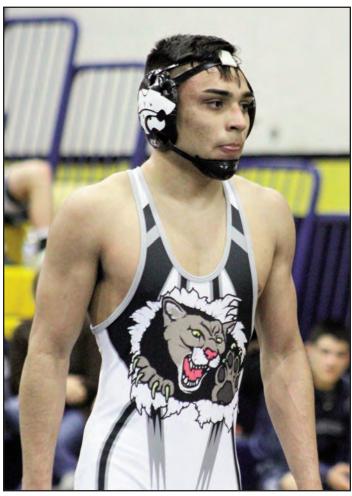
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Sunnyside Going For 32nd State Championship



Two-time state champion Marcus Castillo of Marana Mountain View (Andy Morales of azpreps365.com)

By Andy Morales azpreps365.com

Sunnyside cruised to a 257.5 to 180 win over Cienega to claim the Division II, Section I championship held at Flowing Wells High School on Saturday, Feb. 2 and the margin of victory by the Blue Devils was the biggest in Division II, with Ironwood squeaking past Centennial 146.5 to 146 in Section II, Millennium getting past Kellis 153 to 148.5 in Section III and Campo Verde beating Williams Field 200.5 to 171 in Section IV.

To put the margin of victory and what it means for state in perspective, Sunnyside won the 2018 Division I state championship over Cibola 193 to 164 and Millennium finished in 24th place with 12 points.

Sunnyside and Millennium were moved down from D-I to D-II this year along with other state teams Horizon (9th) and Desert Mountain (23rd) while the D-II state champion Queen Creek was moved up to D-I along with the D-II state runner-up, Liberty.

Cienega took third place in Division II last year, Williams Field came in fourth, Mountain View Marana took fifth and Campo Verde came in sixth. With Queen Creek and Liberty out of the equation, it's going to be very difficult for a team to get past the Blue Devils once again.

The Blue Devils are sending 13 wrestlers to state while Cienega, Williams Field are sending 11, Mountain View and Ironwood Ridge are sending ten, Centennial is sending nine, Ironwood and Millennium are sending eight. Campo Verde are also sending 13 wrestlers to state and the Coyotes appear to be in the best position to challenge the Blue Devils but Campo Verde came away with five individual titles while Sunnyside came away with seven with two-time state champion Jesse Ybarra (37-2) forfeiting his bout in the 126-pound division.

Two-time state champion Marcus Castillo (54-0) earned another section title for Mountain View and he will be a returning state champion along with Ybarra, Nathan Smith (42-5) of Williams Field (132), Daunte Cartwright (31-1) of Camelback (113) and Tarik Sutkovic (48-1) of Ironwood (220). Castillo wrestled at 138 last year but his move to 132 sets up a possible clash with Smith this year.

SECTION CHAMPIONS

106: Brandon Lee (Flowing Wells) 42-9, Sr.; Kylar Tubbs (Centennial) 32-12, Fr.; Eathon Rider (Millennium) 54-3, Jr.; Will Effinger (Casteel) 27-12, Fr.

113: James Brown (Sunnyside) 39-1, So.; Troy Ramirez (Sunrise Mountain) 35-3, Jr.; Daunte Cartwright (Camelback) 31-1, Sr.; Alex Rodriguez (Williams Field) 12-7, Sr.

120: Jaime Rivera (Sunnyside) 33-5, Fr.; Roman Provenzano (Barry Goldwater) 33-4, Fr.; Nic Grace (Paradise Valley) 26-9, Sr.; Jake Dunham (Campo Verde) 25-13, So.

126: Bobby Tellez (Cienega) 45-3, Sr.; Omar Arteaga (Centennial) 22-6, Jr.; Daniel Conchaz (Millennium) 38-10, So.; Joe Misitano (Campo Verde) 14-7, Fr.

132: Marcus Castillo (Mountain View Marana) 54-0, Sr.; George Galaz (Ironwood) 34-2, Sr.; Ashton Kaneao (Millennium) 48-9, Sr.; Nathan Smith (Williams Field) 42-5, Sr.

138: Jason Hill (Cienega) 38-11, Jr.; Jared LeBaron (Ironwood) 47-4, Sr.; Anthony Garcia (Raymond Kellis) 34-10, Sr.; Alejandro Torres (Casteel) 28-13, Fr.

145: Carlo Castagnaro (Cienega) 33-4, Jr.; Jacob Muniz (Cactus Shadows) 25-6, Jr.; Josh Cruz (Raymond Kellis) 42-6, Sr.; Shamar Hawkins (Williams Field) 44-7, Sr.

152: Anthony Echemendia (Sunnyside) 18-0, Sr.; Dillon Greene (Sunrise Mountain) 18-10, Sr.; Phoenix Pough (Willow Canyon) 51-6, Sr.; Andrew (AJ) Valle (Casteel) 30-6, Fr.

160: Fernando Villaescusa (Sunnyside) 34-13, Fr.; Salvador Quiroz (North Canyon) 21-7, Sr.; Josh Nicholls (Verrado) 30-4, Sr.; Scott Kellenberger (Horizon) 38-2, Sr.

170: Dominique Johnson (Cienega) 29-3, Sr.; Noah Sweilem (Barry Goldwater) 33-5, Sr.; Ty Ryan (Raymond Kellis) 47-4, Jr.; Steel Jobe (Campo Verde) 23-2, Sr.

182: Elijah Wyatt (Sunnyside) 38-3, Sr.; Jeremiah Voliva (Apollo) 40-9, Sr.; Aiden Barner (Verrado) 38-2, Sr.; Jayden Fletcher (Campo Verde) 33-7, Jr.

195: Eric Purvin (Mountain View Marana) 43-7, Sr.; Stone Aguirre (Ironwood) 53-2, Sr.; Johnny Vejar (Raymond Kellis) 26-16, Jr.; Brock Locnikar (Notre Dame Prep) 16-0, Jr.

220: Rudy Acedo (Mountain View Marana) 39-7, So.; Tarik Sutkovic (Ironwood) 48-1, Sr.; Cailor Benson (Paradise Valley) 20-12, So.; Rafael Masella (Horizon) 29-5, Jr.

285: Adrian Monveal (Sunnyside) 32-4, Sr.; George Roeder (Centennial) 23-8, Jr.; Matthew McClure (Willow Canyon) 36-5, Sr.; Trevor Kauer (Campo Verde) 33-1, Sr.

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2018 Div. IV Champs

- 106Gilbert Rodriguez, San Manuel
- 113Skyler Pike, Camp Verde
- 120Ramon Ramos, Casteel
- 126Korben Uhler, Camp Verde
- 132Anthony Tinghitella, Camp Verde
- 138Nico Carrasco,, Morenci
- 145 Nicholas Steele, San Pasqual
- 152Brandon Garcia, Arizona Lutheran
- 160 Andres Jimenez, Santa Cruz Valley
- 170Ryne Lewis, Pima
- 182Riley Cline, Globe
- 195Clayson Goodwin, Benson
- 220TJ Heap, St. Johns
- 285 Yousef Halik, Arizona College Prep

2017 Div. IV Champs

- 106 Tanner Crosby, St. Johns
- 113Skyler Pike, Camp Verde
- 120Cory Cota, Morenci
- 126Korbren Uhler, Camp Verde
- 132 Mark Roybal, Morenci
- 138 Hayden Uhler, Camp Verde
- 145 Dawson Avila, St. Johns
- 152Weston Milnes Bowers, AZ Lutheran
- 160Ryne Lewis, Pima
- 170Franky Renteria, San Manuel
- 182Clayton Goodwin, Benson
- 195 Christian White, Morenci
- 220Tristian Stanfield, Camp Verde
- 285Jordan Arbizo, Morenci

2016 Div. IV Champs

- 106 Derek Waltrip, Morenci
- 113Kason Bryce, Thatcher
- 120Isai Barajas, Arizona Lutheran
- 126 Hayden Ühler, Camp Verde
- 132 Matt Mejia, Camp Verde
- 138 Dawson Avila, St. Johns
- 145 Cole Mortensen, Snowflake
- 152Parker Osterman, Willcox
- 160Brock Slade, Mogollon
- 170Franky Gonzales, Morenci
- 182 Christian White, Morenci
- 195Ahli Foster, Winslow
- 220Perrin Maakestad, Benson
- 285Baylend Stephens, Mogollon

2018 Div. III Champs

- 106Kamron Whitewater, Page
- 113Jonathan Ruiz, Yuma
- 120Diego Guerrero, Walden Grove
- 126Brian Lujan, Pueblo
- 132McKade Finch, Safford
- 138Sal Silva, Walden Grove
- 145 Hayden Gracia, Page
- 152 Dawon Andrews, Safford
- 160Alex Torres, Marcos de Niza
- 170Jackson Allen, Show Low
- 182 Adam Henderson, Blue Ridge
- 195 Westin Keime, Show Low
- 220Hamza Manassra, Marcos de Niza
- 285Oscar Vega, Yuma

2017 Div. III Champs

- 106Jonathan Ruiz, Yuma
- 113Diego Guerrero, Walden Grove
- 120Byron Finch, Safford
- 126 Dylan Keeney, Payson
- 132Nic Verville, Lee Williams
- 138Keller Rock, Chino Valley
- 145Jacbo Trash, Shadow Mountain
- 152 Dawon Andrews, Safford
- 160Jackson Allen, Show Low
- 170 Stephen Graham, Thunderbird
- 182Adam Henderson, Blue Ridge
- 195John Dwyer, Prescott
- 220 Tarik Sutkovic, Thunderbird
- 285JR Fox, Snowflake

2016 Div. III Champs

- 106 Diego Guerrero, Walden Grove
- 113Jacob Frias, Desert View
- 120Byron Finch, Safford
- 126Kendall Foster, Chino Valley
- 138Jackson Allen, Show Low
- 160 Gary Medevielle, Chino Valley
- 170 Spencer Coffin, Chino Valley

- 220Damien Mendez, Cesar Chavez
- 285 Cris Sanchez, Amphitheater

2018 Div. II Champs

- 106 Daunte Cartwright, Camelback
- 113Raul Martinez, Desert View
- 120Xavier Rico, Queen Creek 126 Andrew Cota, Marana Mt. View
- 132 Nathan Smith, Williams Field
- 138Marcus Castillo, Marana Mt. View
- 145Denen Fernandez, Queen Creek
- 152Gabriel Gallego, Desert Edge
- 160 Nikolas Manuel, Queen Creek 170Shaun'dell Hawkins, Williams Field
- 182EJ Galvez, Campo Verde
- 195 Miles Nuessle, Liberty
- 220Tarik Sutkovic, Ironwood
- 285Koby Fike, Gila Ridge

- 2018 Div. I Champs 106Zach Espalin, Chandler
- 113Jesse Ybarra, Sunnyside
- 120Juan Manuel Garcia, Sunnyside
- 126 Vicente Loaiza, Sunnyside 132Roman Bravo-Young, Sunnyside
- 138Bryce Nickel, Corona del Sol
- 145 Gator Groves, Chandler 152 Aaron Gandara, Cibola
- 160Cody Lewis, Desert Ridge
- 170Pedro Medina, Horizon
- 182Kashawn Crump-Valencia, Tucson
- 195Jeremiah Hollen, Mesa Mt. View
- 220Johnathun Garcia, Mesa Mt. View
- 285 Tommy Mommer, Cibola

2017 Div. II Champs

- 106 Carlos Vargas. Deer Valley
- 113Josh Herrera, Desert Edge 120Jayce Cunha, Marana Mt. View
- 126Brandon Courtney, Desert Edge
- 132 Marcus Castillo, Marana Mt. View
- 138Denen Fernandez, Queen Creek
- 145 Gator Groves, McClintock 152James Deitz, Liberty
- 160 Marco Groves, McClintock
- 170Trayvin Cato, Paradise Valley
- 182Anthony Saba, Queen Creek 195Miles Nuessle, Liberty
- 220Skyler Cavanaugh, Cienega
- 285 Dakota Halverson, Maricopa

2017 Div. I Champs

- 106Jesse Ybarra, Sunnyside
- 113Manny Garcia, Sunnyside 120Cameron Upshur, Corona del Sol
- 126Stone Crooks, Boulder Creek
- 132Roman Bravo-Young, Sunnyside
- 138Jacob Garcia, Corona del Sol
- 145 David Salazar, Sunnyside 152Vincent Dolce, Corona del Sol
- 160Brandon Konecny, Corona del Sol 170Michael Escobedo, Tucson
- 182Brock Doolen, Mesa Mt. View
- 195 Chad Porter, Desert Vista
- 220Tommy Mommer, Cibola 285Kolo Uasike, Skyline

- 132Yarhoki Aldiva, Amphitheater
- 145 Dawon Andrews, Safford
- 152 Adam Henderson, Blue Ridge
- 182 Uriah Dobell, Coconino
- 195Kyle Rodriguez, Amphitheater

2016 Div. II Champs

- 106Caden Perez. Sunrise Mountain 113Atilano Escobar, Liberty
- 120Brandon Courtney, Desert Edge
- 126Gator Groves, McClintock
- 132 Marco Groves, McClintock
- 138Trey Waltz, Marana Mt. View 145 Vincent Dolce, Seton Catholic
- 152Quentin Hovis, Seton Catholic
- 160Brandon Konecny, Seton Catholic 170Jacob Swift, Deer Valley
- 182Miles Nuessle, Liberty
- 195Blake Smith, Liberty
- 220Daniel Hernandez, Prescott 285Roy Lopez, Mesquite

2016 Div. I Champs

- 106 Marco Rivera, Tucson
- 113Danny Vega, Ironwood Ridge
- 120Roman Bravo-Young, Sunnyside 126 David Salazar III, Sunnyside
- 132Josiah Kline, Ironwood Ridge
- 138Jerod Booth, Mesa Mt. View 145 Cory Crooks, Boulder Creek
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- 170Marco Frias, Sunnyside
- 182Jeremy Berson, Ironwood Ridge 195Chad Porter, Desert Vista
- 220Tommy Mommer, Cibola
- 285 Esequiel Valles, Red Mountain



State Wrestling Champions (2014-15)

2015 Div. IV Champs

- 106 Tommy Hernandez, Yuma Catholic
- 113Hayden Uhler, Camp Verde
- 120Alex Casillas, Camp Verde
- 126Wryder Richards, Joseph City
- 132 Ethan Workman, Round Valley
- 138Cole Mortensen, Snowflake
- 145 Wacey Wood, Snowflake
- 152Ryan Allred, Camp Verde
- 160Sherod Bride, St. Johns
- 170Christian White, Morenci
- 182Kieran Maakestad, Benson
- 195William Hemphill, Pima
- 220Brandon Naegle, St. Johns
- 285Santiago Robledo, Morenci

2014 Div. IV Champs

- 106 Hayden Uhler, Camp Verde
- 113Alex Casillas, Camp Verde
- 120 Aaron Herder, Parker
- 126Ethan Workman, Round Valley
- 132Eli Frazier, St. Johns
- 138 Dallyn Despain, Mogollon
- 145Ryan Allred, Camp Verde
- 152Clay Sierra, Yuma Catholic
- 160 Sherod Bride, St. Johns
- 170Garrett Davis, St. Johns
- 182Kieren Maakestad, Benson
- 195Connor Klump, Willcox
- 220Esteban Flores, Northwest Christian
- 285Santiago Robledo, Morenci

2015 Div. III Champs

- 106Isaac Cabrera, Coconino
- 113Jackson Allen, Show Low
- 120 David Mendez, Moon Valley
- 126Ted Rico, Combs
- 132Yarhoki Aldiva, Amphitheater
- 138Quentin Hovis, Seton Catholic
- 145Geovanni Payan, Amphitheater
- 152Brandon Konecny, Seton Catholic
- 160Tyler Rittenhouse, Thunderbird
- 170 Sergio Chavez, Seton Catholic
- 182 Diego Rodriguez, Thunderbird
- 195Kyle Rodriguez, Amphitheater
- 220Davion Grey, Moon Valley
- 285Riley Bourgeous, Combs

2014 Div. III Champs

- 106Paul Gonzales, Tempe
- 113Quentin Hovis, Seton Catholic
- 120Collin Anderson, Coconino
- 126Gabriel Galaviz, Coconino
- 132Marcus Whitmore, Tempe
- 138Geovanni Payan-Diaz, Amphitheater
- 145 Marcus Salnicky, Amphitheater
- 152Jesus Barrera, Amphitheater
- 160 Sergio Chavez, Seton Catholic
- 170Jace Hardy, Winslow
- 182Bryson Echols, Sabino
- 195 Shem Bowman, Holbrook
- 220 Davion Grey, Moon Valley
- 285 Daniel Cox, Shadow Ridge

2015 Div. II Champs

- 106Jesus Urgidez, Cholla
- 113Brandon Courtney, Desert Edge
- 120Gator Groves, McClintock
- 126Joshua Kramer, Desert Edge
- 132 Marco Groves, McClintock
- 138James Deitz, Liberty
- 145 Andres Gandara, Cibola 152Jacob Swift, Deer Valley
- 160 Talon Vaughn, Prescott
- 170Cameron Wells, Higley
- 182 Vicente Guerrero, Cibola
- 195 Daniel Hernandez, Prescott
- 220Danny Reyes, Barry Goldwater

2015 Div. I Champs

106Roman Bravo-Young, Sunnyside

113Danny Vega, Ironwood Ridge

126Ryan Farina, Corona del Sol

120 Angel Laguna, Sunnyside

132Juaquin Olivas, Sunnyside

138Taylor Rich, SD O'Connor

145Josh Jaramillo, Dobson

160 Austin Moyer, Westwood 170Keiffer Taylor, Mesa

195Jeremiah Imonode, Desert Vista

152James Williams, Mesa

182Jonathan Allen, Mesa

220Travis Howard, Marana

285Roy Lopez, Mesquite

285 Darrin Kauer, Campo Verde

2014 Div. II Champs

- 120Joshua Kramer, Desert Edge
- 126Kyle Ford, Gila Ridge
- 132Luis Nunez, Cibola
- 138Jacob Swift, Deer Valley
- 145 Antonio Perez, Sunrise Mountain
- 152Richard Florez, Marcos de Niza
- 160Pierre Gaud, Cibola
- 170Vicente Guerrero, Cibola
- 182Nicolas Bayless, Apollo
- 195 Daniel Hernandez, Prescott
- 285Kyle Jividen, Sahuaro

2014 Div. I Champs

- 106Danny Vega, Ironwood Ridge
- 120Juaquin Olivas, Sunnyside
- 132Brett Kasprzyk, Mesa
- 138Ryan Gallo, Mesa Mt. View
- 152 Dajour Reece, Chandler
- 160Ethan Tursini, Corona del Sol
- 170Trey Ronayne, Basha
- 182 Jro Byrd, Boulder Creek
- 195Gabriel Gonzales, Sunnyside
- 220Lewis Arendall. Centennial
- 285Robert Schrock, Mesa

- 106 Nathan Mendivil. Gila Ridge
- 113Sergio Hernandez Gomez, Glendale

- 220Danny Reyes, Barry Goldwater
- 113Alejandro Calderon, Maryvale
- 126 William Olivas, Sunnyside
- 145Blake Monty, Mesa Mt. View





State Wrestling Champions (2011-13)

2013 Div. IV Champs

- 106Matt Mejia, Camp Verde
- 113Alex Casillas, Camp Verde
- 120Ross Ens, Benson
- 126Eli Frazier, St. Johns
- 132Ryan Allred, Camp Verde
- 138Ryan Shatto, Parker
- 145Tyler Crosby, St. Johns
- 152Alex Anzar, Camp Verde
- 160 Heath Carroll, Camp Verde
- 170Jared Anderson, St. Johns
- 182 Garrett Davis, St. Johns
- 195Ben Miller, Willcox
- 220Jake Lee, San Tan Foothills
- 285Santiago Robledo, Morenci

2012 Div. IV Champs

- 106 Michael Casillas, Camp Verde
- 113Ryder Nielsen, St. Johns
- 120Ryan Allred, Camp Verde
- 126 Dallyn Despain, Mogollon
- 132RJ Alvarado, Holbrook
- 138Derrick Brown, Camp Verde
- 145RJ Dalton, Morenci
- 152Brock Crosby, St. Johns
- 160Jared Andersoon, St. Johns
- 170 Austin Davis, St. Johns
- 182Tyler Johnson, St. Johns
- 195Boone Baker, Mogollon
- 220Jake Lee, San Tan Foothills
- 285Evan Barazza, Bourgade Catholic

2011 Div. IV Champs

- 103Joe Delgado, San Pasqual
- 112Rieder Nielsen, St. Johns
- 119Dallyn Despain, Mogollon 125Smiley Beecroft, Mogollon
- 130RJ Alvarado, Holbrook
- 135 Dan Gaylor, Mogollon
- 140Mitchell Udall, Round Valley
- 145Remington Baldwin, Joseph City

2011 Div. III Champs

- 152John Hatch, Holbrook
- 160Ryan Gill, Yuma Catholic
- 171Boone Baker, Mogollon
- 189Justin Rockhill, Willcox
- 215Lloyd Lewis, Salt River
- 285Johnny Salcido, Antelope

103Gabe Galaviz, Coconino

112Trey Andrews, Safford

119Greg Ornelas, Safford

125Sage Ornelas, Safford 130Dakota Beach, Rio Rico

135Mark Lopez, Rio Rico

145Logan Addis, Mingus

152Justin Zaske, Mingus 160Jacob Graham, Thunderbird

215 Matt Chavez, Mingus

285 Terrence Cook, Mohave

171Felipe Mabante, Rio Rico

189Kevin Henderson, Blue Ridge

140Ben Lee, Payson

2013 Div. III Champs

- 106Josh Kramer, Verrado
- 113Ted Rico, Combs
- 120Gabriel Galaviz, Coconino
- 126Isaiah Gomez, Thunderbird
- 132Ryan Vandall, Moon Valley
- 138Eric Jeong, Rio Rico
- 145 Mark Lopez, Rio Rico
- 152Jesus Berrera, Amphitheater
- 160 Conner Anderson, Payson
- 170Felipe Nava, Sierra Linda
- 182Jorge Robles, Sahuarita 195Jacob Badger, Blue Ridge
- 220Patrick Penniston, Rio Rico
- 285J.T. Bradley, Snowflake

2012 Div. III Champs

- 106Matt Mainez, Thunderbird
- 113Blake Schweigert, Show Low
- 120Trey Andrews, Safford
- 126Ryan Vandall, Moon Valley
- 132James Sanchez, Tempe
- 138Jacob Spear, Payson
- 145 Marky Lopez, Rio Rico
- 152Ryan Kulesa, Moon Valley 160Justin Zaske, Mingus
- 170Patrick Dalcerro, Chino Valley
- 182Kevin Henderson, Blue Ridge
- 195Dirk McOmber, Empire
- 220Floyd Jones, Amphitheather
- 285 Austin Andrade, Amphitheater

2011 Div. II Champs

106 Nathan Mendivil, Gila Ridge

2013 Div. II Champs

- 113Bailey Janis, Marana Mt. View
- 120 Austin Gerber, Gila Ridge
- 126Jacob Swift, Deer Valley
- 132Troy Vandall, Barry Goldwater
- 138Tate Sandifer, Ironwood Ridge
- 145Troy Taylor, Ironwood Ridge
- 152 Matt Filbert, Ironwood Ridge
- 160TJ Gudeman, Cienega
- 170Hayden Moore, Queen Creek
- 182 Austin Gaun, Flagstaff
- 195 Scott Simmons, Ironwood Ridge
- 220Derek Crain, Marcos de Niza
- 285Kyle Jividen, Sahuaro

- 2012 Div. II Champs
- 106 Alvaro Gallego, Pueblo
- 113Bailey Janis, Marana Mt. View
- 120Kevin Hunt, Sunrise Mountain
- 126Trevor Wilson, Ironwood Ridge
- 132Jesse Morales, Marcos de Niza 138Brad Lindsay, Flagstaff
- 145Troy Taylor, Ironwood Ridge
- 152 Matt Filbert, Ironwood Ridge 160Brennan Smith, Sunrise Mountain
- 170Luis Rivera, Lake Havasu
- 182 Austin Gaun, Flagstaff
- 195Matt Lopez, Ironwood
- 220Jaimen Bennalley, Peoria 285Luke Braun, Shadow Mountain

- 103Mikah Treio. Moon Vallev
- 112Dougie Cortez, Apollo
- 119Connor Buette, Ironwood Ridge
- 125Tate Sandifer, Ironwood Ridge
- 130Jesus Morales, Marcos de Niza
- 135Spencer Blondeaux, Sahuaro
- 140Bret Gudeman, Cienega
- 145Kolton Lock, Queen Creek
- 152 Walker Slaughter, Ironwood Ridge
- 160Kevin Jumbeck, Gila Ridge
- 171Joseph Bracamonte, Cienega
- 189Michael Holwell, Glendale
- 215Louis Payne, Marana 285Luke Braun, Shadow Mountain

2013 Div. I Champs

- 106Jacob Reyes, Valley Vista
- 113Juaqin Olivas, Sunnyside 120 Efren Hernandez, Carl Hayden
- 126William Olivas, Sunnyside
- 132Glenn Farina, Corona del Sol
- 138 Dalton Brady, Chandler 145 Michael Suwyn, Mountain Ridge
- 152 Seth Monty, Mesa Mt. View
- 160Ethan Tursini, Corona del Sol
- 170Trey Ronayne, Basha
- 182 Alex Bambic, Desert Vista 195Gabriel Gonzales, Sunnyside
- 220Ben Andrew. Mesa
- 285Keyley Ellis, Gilbert

2012 Div. I Champs

- 106Tristan Moran, Chandler
- 113Dajour Reece, Cesar Chavez
- 120Dalton Brady, Chandler
- 126Octavio Penunuri, Mesa Mt. View
- 132Robbie Mathers, Desert Vista
- 138Robert Sobarzo, Desert Vista
- 145Pierre Gaud, Cibola 152Samson Imonode, Horizon
- 160Dorian Coleman, Mesa
- 170Garrett Ryan, Horizon 182 Christiaan Allen, Highland
- 195Alex Bambic, Desert Vista 220Ben Andrew. Mesa
- 285 Matt Zismann, Sandra Day O'Connor

2011 Div. I Champs

- 103Rafael James, Cibola
- 112Dalton Brady, Chandler
- 119Adam Ludwin, Cibola
- 125Robbie Mathers, Desert Vista 130Curt Done, Highland
- 135Kendall Love, Desert Vista 140Seth Monty, Mesa Mountain View
- 145Mikey Contreras, Boulder Creek
- 152Kory DeBerry, Sunnyside
- 160Dorian Coleman, Mesa 171Cedric Gonzalez, Sunnyside
- 189John Devito, Sandra Day O'Connor 215 Alex Bambic, Desert Vista
- 285Corbin Cooke, Mesquite



Recent 103-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Bryce Crosby, Joseph City

2009 ... Ryder Nielsen, St. Johns

2008 ... Greg Delgado, San Pasqual

2007 ... Ryan Renkey, Yuma Catholic

2006 ... Dee Massey, Maricopa

2005 ... Zach Buccellato, Morenci

2004 ... Ceaser Zepeda, Maricopa

2003 ... Adrian Fierro, Maricopa

2002 ... Chris Harrison, Canyon State

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Sebastian Barrientos, Desert Edge

2001 ... Joe Gustina, San Pasqual

2009 ... Albert Alvarez, Washington

2008 ... Albert Alvarez, Washington

2007 ... Fabian Parra, Sunnyslope

2006 ... Josh Chang, Mingus

3A Champions

2010 ... Trey Andrews, Safford

2009 ... Trey Andrews, Safford

2008 ... Ryah Finch, Safford

2007 ... Enrique Vigil, Winslow

2006 ... Enrique Vigil, Winslow

2005 ... Mike Moreno, Sahuarita

2004 ... Mike Moreno, Sahuarita

2003 ... Cody Biscoe, Blue Ridge

2002 ... Jason Fenn, Coolidge

2001 ... Jason Fenn, Coolidge

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Dalton Brady, Chandler

2009 ... Vidal Mejia, Chandler

2008 ... Sage Ornelas, Desert Vista

2007 ... Ryan Miller, Corona del Sol

2006 ... Joe Taylor, Mesa

2005 ... Anthony Robles, Mesa

2004 ... Anthony Lopez, Tolleson

2003 ... Henry Cejudo, Maryvale

2002 ... Ernesta Gastelum, Maryvale

2001 ... Alex Contreras, Westview

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Chris Bostic, Flowing Wells

2009 ... Chris Bostic, Flowing Wells

2008 ... Abraham Islas, Pueblo

2007 ... Travis Azevedo, Thunderbird

2006 ... Brandon Horton, Lake Havasu

2005 ... Johnny Lopez, Sunnyside

2004 ... Johnny Lopez, Sunnyside

2003 ... Nick Gallick, Sunnyside

2002 ... Nick Gallick, Sunnyside

2001 ... Jared Tavasci, Mingus

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Trevor Williams, Ironwood Ridge

2009 ... Frank Armenta, Marcos de Niza

2008 ... Lucio Murillo, Sunnyside 2007 ... Anthony Burmudez, Kofa

2006 ... Josiah Stotts, Marcos de Niza

Recent 112-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Ryder Nielsen, St. Johns

2009 ...Julio Saldana, San Pasqual

2008 ... Julio Saldana, San Pasqual

2007 ... Avelino Estrada, Hayden

2006 ... Zach Buccellato, Morenci

2005 ... Joe Clark, San Manuel 2004 ... Adrian Fierro, Maricopa

2003 ... T.J. Uribe, San Manuel

2002 ... David Barney, Benson

2001 ... Buddy Swapp, Duncan

3A Champions

2010 ... Greg Ornelas, Chino Valley

2009 ... Ryak Finch, Safford

2008 ... Xavier Gamboa, Safford

2007 ... Ricky Ryan, Show Low

2006 ... Nathan Abril, Safford

2005 ... O. Villa, Rio Rico

2004 ... Thomas Gaeta, Coolidge

2003 ... Jason Fenn, Coolidge

2002 ... Tyrone Humeboynewa, Hopi

2001 ... Jacob Fenn, Coolidge

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Santos Rivera, Marana

2009 ... Abraham Islas, Pueblo

2008 ... Chris Shreves, Flowing Wells

2007 ... Anthony Wagner, Independence

2006 ... Matt Long, Moon Valley

2004 ... Brad Hemphill, Pinnacle

2003 ... Mike Abril, Thunderbird

2001 ... Clint McKean, Mingus

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Andrew Patino, Coronado

2009 ... John Kelly, Moon Valley

2008 ... Adrian Candelaria, Buckeye

2007 ... Luke Goettl, Mingus

2006 ... Theron Apodaca, Desert Edge

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Robbie Mathers, Desert Vista

2009 ... Chad Done, Highland

2008 ... Shane McGough, Desert Mountain

2007 ... Tony Covert, Mesa Mountain View

2006 ... Anthony Robles, Mesa

2005 ... Adrian Rios, Gilbert

2004 ... Jose Palencia, Maryvale

2003 ... David Jarmen, Mesa Mountain View

2002 ... John Espinoza, Maryvale

2001 ... David Garcia, Peoria

2005 ... Gabe Gomez, Tempe

2002 ... Matt Lopez, Sunnyside

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... H. Rollins, Sandra Day O'Connor

2009 ... Adam Ludwin, Cibola

2008 ... Cody Abeyta, Horizon

2007 ... Ivan Felix, Kofa 2006 ... Ivan Felix, Kofa



Recent 119-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Robert Segovia, San Manuel

2009 ... Robert Segovia, San Manuel

2008 ... Avelino Estrada, Hayden

2007 ... Jared Porter, Mogollon

2006 ... Joe Clark, San Manuel

2005 ... Andy Alvarado, Phoenix Christian

2004 ... T.J. Uribe, San Manuel

2003 ... Andrew Crandell, Mogollon

2002 ... Pablo Robles, San Manuel

2001 ... Benny Corbell, Morenci

3A Champions

2010 ... Ryak Finch, Safford

2009 ... Xavier Gamboa, Snowflake

2008 ... Ricky Ryan, Show Low

2007 ... Aaron Garcia, Coolidge

2006 ... Eric Garcia, Coolidge

2005 ... Josh Wolfe, Camp Verde

2004 ... Anthony Martinez, Blue Ridge

2003 ... Frank Villaescusa, Rio Rico

2002 ... Sean Seymore, Show Low

2001 ... Cody Candelaria, Holbrook

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ...Justin Cullins, Cienega

2009 ... Trace Gutknecht, Cienega

2008 ... Blake Muntz, Sandra Day O'Connor

2007 ... David Islas, Pueblo

2006 ... David Islas, Pueblo

2005 ... Tyler Chang, Mingus

2004 ... Nick Gallick, Sunnyside

2003 ... Jarrod Tavasci, Mingus

2002 ... Richardo Ramirez, Sunnyside

2001 ... Eugene Garza, Sunnyside

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Zack Hall, Liberty

2009 ... Jeff Olmstead, Higley

2008 ... Ian Kelly, Page

2007 ... Josh Chang, Mingus

2006 ... Mike Armagost, Apache Junction

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Daniel Mendoza, Westwood

2009 ... Daniel Mendoza, Westwood

2008 ... Victor Montano, Mesa

2007 ... Richard Palencia, Maryvale

2006 ... Jose Palencia, Maryvale

2005 ... Jose Palencia, Maryvale

2004 ... Henry Cejudo, Maryvale

2003 ... Alex Contreras, Westview

2002 ... Fred Lux, Sahuaro

2001 ... Angel Cejuda, Maryvale

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Scott Filbert, Ironwood Ridge

2009 ...Lucio Murillo, Sunnyside

2008 ... Paul Garza, Sunnyside 2007 ... Paul Garza, Sunnyside

2006 ... Mike Moreno, Sunnyside

Recent 125-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Roman Bux, Camp Verde

2009 ... TJ Johnson, St. Johns

2008 ... Arnold Coronado, Bourgade Catholic

2007 ... Tony Viecelli, Morenci

2006 ... Adrian Fierro, Maricopa

2005 ... T.J. Uribe, San Manuel

2004 ... Ray Morales, Morenci

2003 ... Pablo Robles, San Manuel

2002 ... Benny Corbell, Morenci

2001 ...Jesse Morales, Willcox

3A Champions

2010 ... Sage Ornelas, Safford

2009 ... Ricky Ryan, Show Low

2008 ... Aaron Garcia, Coolidge

2007 ... Eric Garcia, Coolidge

2006 ... Anthony Martinez, Blue Ridge

2005 ... Eric Romero, Safford

2004 ... Franky Villaescusa, Rio Rico

2003 ... Aaron Gibson, Snowflake

2002 ... Jesse Morales, Willcox

2001 ... Sterling Cornfield, Ganado

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Trace Gutknecht, Cienega

2009 ... Trevin Nesbitt, Pueblo

2008 ... Mike Mailloux, Saguaro

2007 ... Adam Miles, Cienega

2006 ... Steve Aragon, Moon Valley

2005 ... Nick Gallick, Sunnyside

2003 ... Matt Lopez, Sunnyside

2002 ... Hector Daza, Sunnyside

2001 ... Nate Gallick, Sunnyside

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Brad Lindsay, Flagstaff

2009 ... Ray Camacho, Washington

2008 ... Luke Goettli, Mingus

2007 ... Cameron Alvarado, Flagstaff

2006 ... Donald Tejada, Mohave

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Nick Suwyn, Mountain Ridge

2009 ... Shane McGough, Desert Mountain

2008 ... Richard Palencia, Maryvale

2007 ... Greg Carbajal, Red Mountain

2006 ... Clint Castaneda, Cibola

2005 ... Spencer Jasper, Highland

2004 ... Zack Nicholson, Hamilton

2003 ... David Garcia, Peoria

2002 ... Angel Cejudo, Maryvale

2001 ... Josh Castro, Cibola

2004 ...Luis Silva, Mingus

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Shane McGough, Desert Mountain

2009 ... Scott Filbert, Ironwood Ridge

2008 ... Mike Moreno, Sunnyside

2007 ... Steven Moreno, Sunnyside 2006 ... Tim Salazar, Barry Goldwater



Recent 130-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Dan Gaylor, Mogollon

2009 ...Lino Estrada, Hayden

2008 ... Nolan Porter, Mogollon

2007 ... Brett Justus, Camp Verde

2006 ... Brett Justus, Camp Verde

2005 ... Andrew Crandell, Mogollon 2004 ... Andrew Crandell, Mogollon

2010 ... Taylor Martin, Coconino

2007 ... Weston Lymangrover, Mingus

2009 ...Luke Goettli, Mingus

2006 ... Tyler Chang, Mingus

2008 ... Sean Garcia, Page

2003 ... Stephen Norton, Antelope

2002 ... Stephen Adami, San Manuel

4A-2 Champions

2001 ... Mark Cruz, Hayden

3A Champions

2010 ... Ricky Ryan, Show Low

2009 ... Tyler Holyoak, Show Low

2008 ... Jon Casas, Safford

2007 ... Markos Serna, Holbrook

2006 ... Bo Mortensen, Snowflake

2005 ... Frankie Villaescusa, Rio Rico

2004 ... Garett Cupp, Camp Verde

2003 ... Sean Seymore, Show Low

2002 ... Tony Bustamante, Rio Rico

2001 ... Gordo Villaescusa, Rio Rico

2009 ... Mike Hamel, Mesquite

2005 ... Robert Galvan, Red Mountain

2004 ... Alex Varela, Marcos de Niza

2001 ... Mike Peters, Dobson

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Tatum Banayat, Moon Valley

2009 ... Brandon Horton, Lake Havasu

2008 ... Steven Dominguez, Pueblo

2007 ... Zach Mainez, Thunderbird

2006 ... Mike Jablonski, Cienega

2005 ... Jose Ontiveros, Flagstaff

2004 ... Kyle DeBerry, Sunnyside

2003 ... Alex Ortiz, Desert View

2002 ... Eugene Garza, Sunnyside

2001 ... Kyle Godbehere, Sunrise Mountain

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Tadeo Ruelas, Brophy Prep

2008 ... Blake Mabry, Highland

2007 ... Jadon Johnson, Mesa Mountain View

2006 ... Spencer Jasper, Highland

2003 ... Alex Varela, Marcos de Niza

2002 ... Barry Johnson, Highland

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Kyle Webb, Ironwood Ridge

2009 ... Luke McClure, Ironwood Ridge

2008 ... Gabriel Miranda, Cibola

2007 ... Mike Moreno, Sunnyside

2006 ... Blaine Blanton, Kofa

Recent 135-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Remington Baldwin, Joseph City

2009 ...Billy Padilla, St. Johns

2008 ... Jeremiah Walpert, Willcox

2007 ... Josh Wolfe, Camp Verde

2006 ... Ray Morales, Morenci

2005 ... Michael Fregoso, Bisbee

2004 ... Carlos Villa, Maricopa

2003 ... Stetson Butler, Phoenix Christian

2002 ... Banning Stephens, Mogollon

2001 ... David Henson, Pusch Ridge Christian

3A Champions

2010 ... Jake Vaught, Fountain Hills

2009 ... Jon Casas, Safford

2008 ... Markos Serna, Holbrook

2007 ... RJ Rios, Safford

2006 ... Lee Perez, Payson

2005 ... Garett Cupp, Camp Verde

2004 ... Sean Seymore, Show Low

2003 ... Jeff Tenney, Show Low

2002 ... Gordo Villaescusa, Rio Rico

2001 ...Jacob Pesqueria, Rio Rico

4A-1/4A Champions

2009 ... Steven Lopez, Nogales

2007 ... Ricky Abril, Thunderbird

2006 ... Rishpal Saini, Thunderbird

2005 ... Rene Torres, Sunnyside

2004 ... Eddie Garza, Sunnyside

2003 ... Evan Tracy, Chinle

2002 ... John Hendricks, Thunderbird

2001 ... Nicky Borneman, Coconino

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Ben Gelvin, Coconino

2009 ... Sean Gracia, Page

2008 ... Josh Chang, Mingus

2007 ... Tyler Chang, Mingus 2006 ... Rod Loehr, Mingus

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Reyes Cortez, Maryvale

2009 ... Reyes Cortez, Maryvale

2008 ... Reyes Cortez, Maryvale

2007 ... Alex Meraz, Cibola

2006 ... Russell Johnson, Highland

2005 ... Ty Regan, Barry Goldwater

2004 ... Angel Cejudo, Maryvale

2003 ... Angel Cejudo, Maryvale

2002 ... Wes Pierce, Marcos de Niza

2001 ... Caleb Peters, Dobson

2010 ... Edward Zuckerman, Raymond Kellis

2008 ... Daniel Iribe, Copper Canyon

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Luke McClure, Ironwood Ridge

2009 ... Josiah Stotts, Marcos de Niza

2008 ... Kory DeBerry, Sunnyside 2007 ... Nathan Vorel, Sunnyside

2006 ... Blake Ortiz, Sunrise Mountain



Recent 140-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Orlando Calzadillas, Hayden

2009 ... John Martell, Benson

2008 ... Phil Bullington, Benson

2007 ... Joe Clark, San Manuel

2006 ... Boyd Scofield, Maricopa

2005 ... Carlos Villa, Maricopa

2004 ... Porter Fensel, Maricopa

2003 ... Jeff Padilla, Morenci

2002 ... Jeff Padilla, Morenci

2001 ... Wally Bray, Benson

3A Champions

2010 ... Ben Sandoval, Payson

2009 ... Jerod Flores, Parker

2008 ... Nathaniel Abril, Safford

2007 ... Nick Piedmont, Sahuarita

2006 ... Porter Wilbanks, Payson

2005 ... Sonny Seballos, Safford

2004 ...Jeff Tenney, Show Low

2003 ... Jimm Brookbank, Show Low

2002 ... Matt Garcia, Blue Ridge

2001 ... R.C. LaHaye, Payson

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Nicholas Gonzalez, Pueblo

2009 ... Daniel Sotelo, Cholla

2008 ... Mark Cutright, Pueblo

2007 ... David Leaphart, Thunderbird

2006 ... Mitch Baker, Marana

2005 ... Kyle DeBerry, Sunnyside

2004 ... Matt Lopez, Sunnyside

2003 ... Daron Benson, Thunderbird

2002 ... Ethan Hillis, Tempe

2001 ... Max Vickers, Mingus

4A-2 Champions

2010 ...Luke Goettl, Mingus

2009 ... Logas Addis, Mingus

2008 ... Robby Yniguez, Page

2007 ... Travis Wokasch, Mingus

2006 ... Travis Wokasch, Mingus

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Mike Hamel, Mesquite

2009 ... Ben Carrillo, Desert Vista

2008 ... Seth Pickett, Red Mountain

2007 ... Alex Pacheco, Mesa

2006 ... Spencer Jackson, Mesa Mt. View

2005 ... Efrain Escudero, Cibola

2004 ... Eli Scoggin, Flowing Wells

2003 ... Josh Donohoo, Carl Hayden

2002 ... Marcus Garcia, Hamilton

2001 ... Tanner Montgomery, Canyon Del Oro

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Joel Rollins, Boulder Creek

2009 ... Kory DeBerry, Sunnyside

2008 ... Alexander Meraz, Cibola

2007 ... Aaron Briggs, Flowing Wells

2006 ... Rene Torres, Sunnyside

Recent 145-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Kurt Crandell, Mogollon

2009 ... Carlos Ravago, Benson 2008 ... Armand Morales, Morenci

2007 ... Joseph Wolfe, Camp Verde

2006 ... Carlos Villa, Maricopa

2005 ... Heath Allred, Thatcher

2004 ... Braden Stephens, Mogollon

2003 ... Banning Stephens, Mogollon

2002 ... Trace Porter, Mogollon

2001 ... David Jackson, Bisbee

3A Champions

2010 ... Joseph Baldonado, Blue Ridge

2009 ... Nathaniel Abril, Safford

2008 ... Cole Nelson, Blue Ridge

2007 ... Porter Willbanks, Payson

2006 ... Ryan Lague, Show Low

2005 ... Gabriel Beach, Rio Rico

2004 ... Clint Lemieux, Queen Creek

2003 ... Gabrile Montijo, Santa Cruz

2002 ... Zach Lee, Payson

2001 ... Tom Romo, Holbrook

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Kolton Lock, Queen Creek

2009 ... Matthew Arismendez, Peoria

2008 ... Adam Torres, Thunderbird

2007 ... James Eastin, Moon Valley

2002 ... Eli Hillis, Tempe

2001 ... David Florez, Desert View

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Logas Addis, Mingus

2009 ... Weston Lymangrover, Mingus

2008 ... Tod Workman, Queen Creek

2007 ... Josh Wolfe, Washington

2006 ... DeWitt Copper, Rio Rico

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Edgar Verdi, Mesa

2009 ... Ryan Miller, Corona del Sol

2008 ... Tyler Jimenez, Basha

2007 ... Chris Galvan, Red Mountain

2006 ... Justin Castillo, Mesa Mountain View

2005 ... Eli Arismendez, Peoria

2004 ... Jeff Ramsey, Red Mountain

2003 ... Joey Hooker, Marcos de Niza

2002 ... Tanner Montgomery, CDO

2001 ... Mike Smith, Highland

2006 ... Jake Peterson, Pinnacle

2005 ... Joey Crandell, Ironwood Ridge

2004 ... Zenthens Hatcher, Coconino 2003 ... Justin Wombacher, Mingus

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Kory DeBerry, Sunnyside

2009 ... Cody Leisten, Centennial

2008 ... Tyler Binkley, Sunrise Mountain

2007 ... Justin Mauser, Deer Valley

2006 ... John Ponce, Marana Mt. View



Recent 152-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Garrett Anderson, St. Johns

2009 ... Cory Graf, Benson

2008 ... Jacob Wolfe, Camp Verde

2007 ... Blake Solomon, Joseph City

2006 ... Blake Solomon, Joseph City

2005 ... Lamar Innes, Thatcher

2004 ... Bryan Lucas, Thatcher

2003 ... Chad Corbell, Morenci

2002 ... Levi Pew, St. Johns

2001 ... Nolan Martinez, Joseph City

3A Champions

2010 ... Wyatt Hatch, Snowflake

2009 ... Nick Goodman, Payson

2008 ... Mark McCarty, Payson

2007 ... Tyrell Andrews, Safford

2006 ...Justin Gaethje, Safford

2005 ... Aaron Hancock, Camp Verde

2004 ... Aaron Hancock, Camp Verde

2003 ... Zach Lee, Payson

2002 ... Nathan Lee, Payson

2001 ... Caleb Miller, Payson

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Alex Darrow, Sunrise Mountainb

2009 ... David Vallejo, Pueblo

2008 ... Max Payne, Prescott

2007 ... Adam Torres, Thunderbird

2006 ... Matt Barron, Canyon Del Oro

2005 ... Matt Lopez, Sunnyside

2004 ... Paul Vasquez, Pueblo

2003 ... Morgan Scott, Mingus

2002 ... Ramses Durazo, Sunnyside

2001 ... Tyler Linsacum, Thunderbird

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... David Wilber, Mingus

2009 ... David Wilber, Mingus

2008 ... Matt Hamilton, Mingus

2007 ... Cody Raber, Mingus

2006 ... Sam Ciurdar, Sunnyslope

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Ryan Miller, Corona del Sol

2009 ... Emilio Gonzalez, Buena

2008 ... Ryan Jimenez, Basha

2007 ... Jake Kauffman, Red Mountain

2006 ... Preston Pico, Mesa Mountain View

2005 ... Ryan Becerra, Highland

2004 ... Chris Frejie, Mesa

2003 ... Steve Merchant, Desert Vista

2002 ... Alx Pavlenko, Marcos de Niza

2001 ...Jesse Udell, Red Mountain

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Manny Aranda, Sunnyside

2009 ... Pearce Swerdfeger, Deer Valley

2008 ... Sean Kane, Ironwood

2007 ... Raymond Pina, Sunnyside

2006 ... Kyle DeBerry, Sunnyside

Recent 160-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Emilio Torres, Bourgade

2009 ...Mitchell Elmer, Joseph City

2008 ... Joseph Wolfe, Camp Verde

2007 ... Heath Allred, Thatcher

2006 ... Damien Baca, Camp Verde

2005 ... Andre Franco, Morenci

2004 ... Daniel Najera, San Manuel

2003 ... Andy Brennan, Joseph City

2002 ... Ryan Baker, Mogollon

2001 ... Waldo Gutierrez, Morenci

3A Champions

2010 ... Brandt Perkins, Snowflake

2009 ... Cole Nelson, Blue Ridge

2008 ... Tyrell Andrews, Safford

2007 ...Justin Gaethje, Safford

2006 ... Billy Juarado, Safford

2005 ... Johnny Teller, Tuba City

2004 ... Travis Depper, Sahuarita

2003 ...Larry Wilbanks, Payson 2002 ...Sergio Castillo, Parker

2001 ... Will Randolph, Rio Rico

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Jesus Lizarraga, Desert View

2009 ...Jacob Graham, Thunderbird

2008 ... Darius Graham, Thunderbird

2007 ...Orson Lor, Amphi

2006 ... Dominick Anaya, Pueblo

2005 ... Paul Vasquez, Pueblo

2004 ...Larry Wilbanks, Payson

2003 ...Eli Hillis, Tempe

2002 ... Tyler Linsacum, Thunderbird

2001 ... Toribio Lujan, Sunnyside

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Jacob Graham, Thunderbird

2009 ... Evan Hillis, Tempe

2008 ... Anthony Moya, Moon Valley

2007 ... Cooper Dewitt, Rio Rico

2006 ... Austin Ramirez, Douglas

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ...Blake Ortiz, Corona del Sol

2009 ... Derek Felton, Corona del Sol

2008 ... Taylor Sare, Red Mountain

2007 ... Fernando Ochoa, Maryvale

2006 ...Ryan Becerra, Highland 2005 ...Jose Madraeno, Cibola

2004 ...Alex Pavlenko, Marcos de Niza

2003 ...Vince Arredondo, Marana Mt. View

2002 ... Brent Woodmansee, Desert Vista

2001 ...Lance Carlson, Dobson

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... T. Devito, Sandra Day O'Connor

2009 ... Jorge Benitez, Kofa

2008 ...Jorge Benitez, Kofa

2007 ... Kyle DeBerry, Sunnyside

2006 ... Kyle Frost, Marana Mountain View



Recent 171-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Zach Baldwin, Joseph City

2009 ... Jared Wolfe, Camp Verde

2008 ... Jared Wolfe, Camp Verde

2007 ... Damien Baca, Camp Verde

2006 ... Wes Taylor, Bisbee

2005 ... Travis Householder, Thatcher

2004 ... Andy Brennan, Joseph City

2003 ... Waldo Gutierrez, Morenci

2002 ... Waldo Gutierrez, Morenci

2001 ... Ryan Baker, Mogollon

3A Champions

2010 ... JP Adams, San Tan Foothills

2009 ... Trent Kay, Blue Ridge

2008 ... Andrew Ashford, Safford

2007 ... Andrew Ashford, Safford

2006 ... Manny Jarado, Safford

2005 ... Travis Depper, Sahuarita

2004 ... Kendall Bryant, Snowflake

2003 ... Nate Lee, Payson

2002 ... Ty Nichols, Snowflake

2001 ... Rocky Beery, Payson

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Trace Bowman, Queen Creek

2009 ... Max Payne, Prescott

2008 ... Adam Carey, Saguaro

2007 ... Robert Lopez, Pueblo

2006 ... Diego Bencomo, Independence

2005 ... Nathan Lee, Payson

2004 ... Nathan Lee, Payson

2003 ... Andres Delgadillo, Sinagua

2002 ... David Ybarra, Douglas

2001 ... Tanner Linsacum, Thunderbird

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Chris Roberts, Cholla

2009 ... Jake Goddard, Queen Creek

2008 ... Zoar Morales, Catalina

2007 ... Trey Nahrgang, Buckeye

2006 ... Reece Roder, Mingus

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Derek Felton, Corona del Sol

2009 ... Daniel Covert, Highland

2008 ... Colton Kiernan, Desert Vista

2007 ... Zach Wadsworth, Mesa

2006 ... Conner Stockton, Mesa Mt. View

2005 ... Cory Hale, Corona del Sol

2004 ... Jose Cortez, Maryvale

2003 ... Ricky Renzi, Marcos de Niza

2002 ... Edgar Garcia, Cibola

2001 ... Troy Powell, Highland

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Stephen Lynch, Boulder Creek

2009 ... Kelvin Gastelum, Cibola

2008 ... Raymond Pina, Sunnyside 2007 ... Jerry Ochoa, Sunnyside

2006 ... Patrick Carey, Marcos de Niza

Recent 189-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Mark Mabry, Benson

2009 ... Mark Mabry, Benson

2008 ... Damien Baca, Camp Verde

2007 ... Rocky Gingg, Phoenix Christian

2006 ... Cameron Carter, Willcox

2005 ... Andy Brennan, Joseph City

2004 ... Jake Heun, Maricopa

2003 ... Joe Vargas, Morenci

2002 ... Casey Woodall, Morenci

2001 ... Casey Woodall, Morenci

3A Champions

2010 ... Adrian Perkins, Blue Ridge

2009 ... Terel Nichols, Snowflake

2008 ... Mike Guerrero, Eloy Santa Cruz

2007 ... Mike Guerrero, Eloy Santa Cruz 2006 ... Mike Guerrero, Eloy Santa Cruz

2005 ... Demetri Baca, Camp Verde

2004 ... Trennon Judd, Show Low

2003 ... John Nunley, Safford

2002 ... Matt Reimer, River Valley

2001 ... Matt Reimer, River Valley

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Wes Moore, Queen Creek

2009 ... Johnnny Cordova, Prescott

2007 ... Diego Bencomo, Independence

2002 ... Jacob Chagolla, Sunrise Mountain

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Jaime Gastelum, Buckeye

2009 ... Richard Breese, Coronado

2008 ... Joey Loehr, Mingus

2007 ... David Hollis, Queen Creek

2006 ... David Hollis, Queen Creek

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Sam Fulton, Corona del Sol

2009 ... Zion Golladay, Mesa

2008 ... Phil Donofrio, Desert Vista

2007 ... Andy Jay, Mesa

2006 ... Luke Macchiaroli, Corona del Sol

2005 ... Alberto Montes, Mesa

2004 ... Nathan Sare, Red Mountain

2003 ... Quinton Pruett, Desert Vista

2002 ... Bryan Di Palermo, Canyon Del Oro

2001 ... James Steinprei, Highland

2008 ... Diego Bencomo, Independence

2006 ... Mack Surrell, Thunderbird

2005 ... Thor Moen, Coconino

2004 ... Ruben Quintana, Sunnyside

2003 ... Drew Martinez, Greenway

2001 ... David Coronado, Sunnyside

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Dylan Yole, Marcos de Niza

2009 ... Anthony Pike, Sunnyside

2008 ... Justin Wilmas, Kofa

2007 ...Jim Klingensmith, Marcos de Niza

2006 ... Mario Monteverde, Flowing Wells



Recent 215-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Chris Copplinger, Joseph City

2009 ... Nick Waterford, Yuma Catholic

2008 ... Luke Boardman, Benson

2007 ... Victor Contreras, Bisbee

2006 ... Craig Despain, Mogollon

2005 ... Andrew Thompson, Phx Christian

2004 ... Ryan Kelly, San Manuel

2003 ... Blaine DeWitt, Joseph City

2002 ... Brandon Russ, Phoenix Christian

2001 ... Dan Cools, Orme

3A Champions

2010 ... Marcus Manyfield, Safford

2009 ... Steel Armstrong, Blue Ridge

2008 ... Derrick Gonzales, Coolidge

2007 ... Derrick Gonzales, Coolidge

2006 ... Kevin Wilkinson, Estrella Foothills

2005 ... Deci Hernandez, Camp Verde

2004 ... Nick Serna, Holbrook

2003 ... George Coleman, Payson

2002 ... John McQuillan, Show Low

2001 ... Brad Lee, Round Valley

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Brandon Dudley, Apache Junction

2009 ... Jake Jarvis, Prescott

2008 ... Dominic Jones, Independence

2007 ... Mack Surrell, Thunderbird

2006 ... Lonnie Brunson, Sahuaro

2005 ... Dexter Davis, Thunderbird

2004 ... Dexter Davis, Thunderbird

2003 ... Ellery Tarazon, Tempe

2002 ... Andrew Luckenbill, Greenway

2001 ... Anthony Rodriguez, Sunnyside

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Jason Birchfield, Thunderbird

2009 ...Ramon Duarte, Rio Rico

2008 ... Kelland Brookover, Buckeye

2007 ... Clint Gladden, Buckeye

2006 ... Luciano Gonzales, Douglas

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Jake Smith, Basha

2009 ... Luke Macchiaroli, Corona del Sol

2008 ... Luke Macchiaroli, Corona del Sol

2007 ... Chris Long, Dobson

2006 ... Robert Holbrook, Corona del Sol

2005 ... Ty Porter, Highland

2004 ... Ty Porter, Highland

2003 ... Tyreece Gilder, Cesar Chavez

2002 ... Jake Severn, Deer Valley

2001 ... Jeremy Willoughby, Flowing Wells

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Diego Bravo, Sunnyside

2009 ... Aaron Pavlenko, Marcos de Niza

2008 ... Eric Reichart, Ironwood Ridge

2006 ... Marcus Rodriguez, Peoria

2007 ... Jared Miller, Marana Mountain View

Recent 285-Pound State Champions

1A/2A Champions

2010 ... Johnny Salcido, Antelope

2009 ... RK Rockhill, Willcox 2008 ... RK Rockhill, Willcox

2007 ... Beau Tudor, Camp Verde

2006 ... Chris Gonzalez, Morenci

2005 ... Ben Smith, Phoenix Christian

2004 ... Ben Smith, Phoenix Christian

2003 ... Ronaldo Herreras, Benson

2002 ... Damon Freeland, Valley

2001 ... Ronaldo Herreras, Benson

3A Champions

2010 ... Aaron Dawson, Safford

2009 ... Aaron Dawson, Safford

2008 ... Dwight Boyd, Blue Ridge

2007 ... Justin Felix, Safford

2006 ... Brian Postma, Parker

2005 ... Stetson Tenny, Show Low

2004 ... Chet Huelskamp, Globe

2003 ... Chet Huelskamp, Globe

2002 ... Scott Croff, Show Low

2001 ... Sean Poole, Parker

4A-1/4A Champions

2010 ... Vi Teofilo, Moon Valley

2008 ... Tim Harlen, Apache Junction

2007 ... Jose Sanchez, Independence

2005 ... James Paisano, Mingus

2004 ... Sean Sierra, Desert View

2003 ... Jaime Martinez, Sunnyside

2002 ... Mikel Brewer, Centennial

4A-2 Champions

2010 ... Ricky Valdez, Rio Rico

2009 ... Ricky Valdez, Rio Rico

2008 ... Brandon Draper, Moon Valley

2007 ... Zack Tourangeau, Apache Junction

2006 ... Matt Guyer, Mohave

5A-1/5A Champions

2010 ... Tevin Hood, Hamilton

2009 ... Mike Howard, Corona del Sol

2008 ... Trevor Stapp, Corona del Sol

2007 ... Trevor Stapp, Corona del Sol

2006 ... Andrew Chavez, Cesar Chavez 2005 ... David Bertrand, Horizon

2004 ... Ben Schoonover, Mesquite

2003 ... Kyle Taylor, Sahuaro

2002 ... Chris Donnay, Mountain Pointe

2001 ... Cain Velasquez, Kofa

2009 ... Doug Zisman, Shadow Mountain

2006 ... J.D. Hanley, Greenway

2001 ...Joe Riggs, Cactus

5A-2 Champions

2010 ... Tyeler Davison, Desert Mountain

2009 ... Luke Madrigal, Central

2008 ... Anthony Pike, Sunnyside

2007 ... Harley Fandrich, Sunrise Mountain

2006 ... Cliff Engelhart, Marana Mt. View



Yuma Seeking Another Dream Season, But Walden Grove Might Stand in the Way Again



Yuma High School, the 2018 Division III Wrestling State Champions (photo courtesy of Yuma High School)

By Jose Garcia azpreps365.com

Jeff Welsing hasn't had a premonition like last year before heading to the state wrestling meet.

"I've been wanting to," he said. "Trust me."

It sounds farfetched, but Welsing said he had a dream last year that his Yuma High wrestling team would be down by five points heading into the final match of the Division III state meet, needing a pin by his heavyweight to clinch the crown.

Welsing's dream was off just a tad. His team was actually down 5 1/2 points as heavyweight Oscar Vega took the mat last year.

The dream came true when Vega pinned his opponent. Bonkers.

But it happened.

But there's a flipside to this story, the nightmare of Walden Grove, the second place team that lost to Yuma by just half a point. Based on this regular season's performances, the paths of both schools will likely continue to intertwine atop the medal stands.

The D-III favorites qualified a combined 25 wrestlers for the state meet at Prescott Valley Event Center. Last year, two matches before Vega's miracle on the mat claimed Yuma's first team wrestling title since 1963, Walden Grove was docked a point.

Its coach, Victor Gonzalez, said he was dinged for a coaching misconduct after apparently saying something, which he disputed.

"It has haunted me the whole year," the coach said.

Without the coaching misconduct, Walden Grove goes home with a half point victory over Yuma and its first team wrestling championship.

But Gonzalez's boys never blamed their coach.

"They told me, 'It had nothing to do with you," Gonzalez said. "To have kids that great is good."

This season, Walden Grove and Yuma crossed paths once, during the Marana Mountain View duels.

Yuma won again by a razor thin margin, but Walden Grove didn't enter wrestlers in three different divisions. Leading Walden Grove's redemption tour this season is a group of seniors who've been throwing their opponents around since they were in middle school.

"That's a family to them," Gonzalez said.

The kingpin of the group is three-time state champ Diego Guerrero (134).

The senior conquered Sunnyside's Jesse Ybarra, 6-4, after dropping down in weight to square up against the Iowa commit at Flowing Wells.

"That was one of the best matches I've been a part of," Gonzalez said. "It was a pretty neat experience. There was an outpouring of support from the crowd. What a great match. With a kid of Jesse's quality, you have to bring you're 'A' game."

Also dropping in weight and winning a prestigious Flowing Wells Caballero was Walden Grove's Owen Berry.

Berry (122) transferred from Colorado and quickly made himself at home in Arizona. He's only lost one match this season.

"Man, Owen is funky," Gonzalez said, "In wrestling terms that mean's he's great at scrambling. He's tough on on top and good on his feet as well. He's deceptively strong."

Berry also immediately clicked with Walden Grove's Guerrero, Adam Alveranga, Jackson Edwards and Conrad Medina, the friends who've been wrestling together since 7th grade.

They are now high school seniors and on a mission.

"I remember the kids saying that (what happened last year) won't happen this year," Gonzalez said. "We are going to go up there (Prescott) and hopefully show some people who we are and show just how dedicated we are. The kids didn't like how it ended last year. I'm sure they are going to come out firing."

That's exactly what Yuma did last year.

On Day 2 of the 2017-18 championships, Welsing told his team about the dream he had a couple of months before the state meet. Before the start of the final day at state, Welsing instructed Vega how he saw his match unfolding.

In last season's D-III heavyweight final, Vega defeated a Moon Valley wrestler who pinned him in the regular season.

"They were blown away," said Welsing, whose team won the school's first team title in any sport since 1990.

Yuma lost two champs and a 4th place finisher from last year.

The leaders this year have each won more than 50 matches, Jacob Sanchez (182) and Aidan Erwin (170). But the team suffered a big blow about three weeks ago when Servando Campos (40-2 record, 170) fractured a leg during a home match.

Welsing will have to rely on the depth he's developed to defend Yuma's title. It took a while to get Yuma back to the top, but Welsing never lost hope.

"I had some doubt," said the 14-year coach. "But I kept grinding and grinding. I knew if I kept doing it the right way, good things would come."

Welsing still watches the video of last season's unbelievable ending.

"Every day," he said. "That's what drives me."



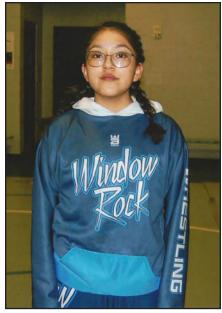
Window Rock's Redhorse Ready to Take New Stage for Girls Wrestling

By Oree Foster azpreps365.com

The wait is over for Window Rock Lady Scouts freshman wrestler Jiiniibah Redhorse.

Redhorse has been wrestling for four years, beginning in the sixth grade at Tsehootsooi Middle School, which is within the Window Rock Unified School District. Throughout her young career, Redhorse had to wrestle male wrestlers.

This year, the Arizona Interscholastic Association imple-



Window Rock's Jiinibah Redhorse (photo courtesy of Window Rock High School)

mented an all female state wrestling tournament, where for the first time female wrestlers will earn state individual championships, similar to male wrestlers.

"I started wrestling in sixth grade," Redhorse explained. "I've been wrestling boys for four years now. There was never an opportunity to only wrestle girls. I like the idea of girls state wrestling. I think this is fair, but not having to mat wrestle as the boys do is strange to me and should be changed."

Redhorse comes from a family of wrestlers, who've done extremely well in their endeavors. She is following the footsteps of her father, Marvin, and brother, Jimizan.

"In my freshman year in high school," she said, "I joined wrestling, because I wanted to try something new. I didn't find an interest in basketball. My whole family was in the sport."

She is extremely proud of her father and brother's wrestling accomplishments.

Her father competed at Winslow High School. He earned a wrestling scholarship to Northern Arizona University, competing for the Lumberjacks for two years, before the sport was dropped.

She said her father remembers wrestling current Arizona State wrestling head coach Zeke Jones while at NAU.

When NAU dropped wrestling from its athletic program, Redhorse transferred to a college in Montana, where he earned All-America honors.

Her brother wrestled for four year under current Window Rock head coach Marc Hillis. Her brother qualified for the state tournament four years as a member of the Fighting Scouts wrestling team.

The state tournament is scheduled for Friday at Prescott Valley Event Center.

Redhorse said she is looking forward and excited about competing in the inaugural all female state wrestling tournament.

She said she set goals at the beginning of the season and hopes to achieve them at the state tournament.

"At the beginning of the season, my goal was to improve my speed, balance, technique, consistency and my upper body strength," Redhorse said. "Also, to beat some boys, which I have done. Now, entering the state tournament, I would like to win my matches and place top four in the state."

Competing in the 118-pound weight division, Redhorse finished second at the sectional meet two weeks ago at Winslow High School. With her runner-up finish in her weight class, Redhorse earned a state tournament berth.

With limited female wrestlers competing in the sectional meet, Redhorse finished with a 1-1 record.

Entering the state meet, Redhorse has six wins and eight losses.

"I've been in the 120 weight class, wrestling the boys and very few girls this season," Redhorse said.

Redhorse lost to a wrestler from Chino Valley for the Sectional 118-pound weight division title.

"I won my first match at the sectional meet against a Page wrestler," Redhorse said. "I lost my second match against a Chino Valley wrestler."

Redhorse said if she wrestles the Chino Valley wrestler again, it would be a different story.

"Yes, she (Chino Valley wrestler) is beatable," Redhorse said. "I was intimidated by her and lost a little bit of my confidence. I should have watched her first match and learned from it. I was surprised by her strength when she snapped me down. But I now know how to counter. On the mat, I need to be aggressive and confident. I will also have to be strong mentally and think smarter."

Female wrestling consists of three periods and two minutes for each quarter.

She has been conditioning herself to be strong throughout the matches. She said it is very important to keep her weight.

"I have to stay in shape and remain in my weight class," she said. "In any weight class, the boys are usually stronger and skilled than the female wrestlers. Now that there are girls state and sectionals, there is a better chance at winning matches. Losing to boys can be a negative, so female wrestlers have to work harder."

She said Window Rock's male wrestling members are supportive during her matches.

She said her classmates and teachers stand by her side as well

"They encourage me and say I can do it," she said. "My whole school is happy with my achievements, including my teachers."

She said after her graduating she plans to enter college and work toward a degree.

"My plans are to go to a college of my liking with a scholarship and possibly have a part time job to raise money," she said. "I want to become a therapist for adults and be able to prescribe pills as needed after finishing college."



Wrestling State Sisterhood Has Arrived for the First Time

By Jose Garcia azpreps365.com

Tombstone High junior Jasmine Jacquay walked into the gym and immediately felt a bond with those around her.

The gym was filled with girls preparing to wrestle for sectional titles and state berths.

"It was special," Jacquay said. "It was really cool to see a lot of girls. I didn't know there were so many wrestling. I thought I was just one of a few."

The wrestling sisterhood has arrived in Arizona.

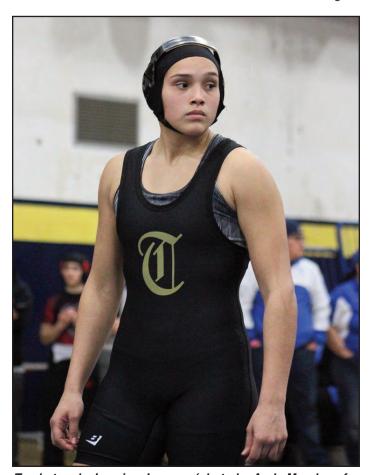
Girls have been wrestling, but this season marks the first time they'll do so for state championships in the state. They'll make the trek with the boys this week to Prescott Valley Events Center to see who is the best of the best in the 2018-19 season.

It's a landmark event that's been two years in the making. The trailblazers on and off the mat who continue to help girls wrestling grow deserve all of the credit.

This season, more than 300 girls in the state took to the mats.

"It really got girls out of their shells," said Jacquay about the Arizona Interscholastic Association's decision to include individual wrestling titles for girls.

The AIA formed a sub committee in 2017 to look at adding



Tombstone's Jasmine Jacquay (photo by Andy Morales of azpreps365.com)



The first AIA Girls Wrestling Sectionals were held on Saturday, January 26th, with the top three placers from each sectional advancing to the State Championships (photo by Andy Morales of azpreps365.com).

girls wrestling as an emerging sport. There was a lot of interest in the sport, especially on reservation schools.

Monument Valley's athletic director and former AIA executive board president Jacob Holiday was in full support, said AIA wrestling sports administrator Dean Visser, of a girls wrestling state championship meet. There was also a lot of interest from some Arizona schools that border California, where wrestling's history is long.

In Arizona, well-respected high school coaches with national and club wrestling ties also pushed for the inclusion of girls to wrestle for state medals. As girls wrestling continues to grow so to are the opportunities at the college level with wrestling scholarships.

That's another reason why the AIA is rolling out the mats at state for girls, Visser said.

"We wanted to push the boat out into the waters of girls wrestling and see how much interest we had and get it started," Visser said.

The girls who qualified for state this week did so at five sectionals

Originally, four sectionals were planned but because of the high interest another sectional was added. The three top placers from each section advanced to state, where the top five will be seeded in each weight class.

Medals will be handed out in 10 weight classes, with the top four placers receiving medals. There is only one division for girls but that might increase if more girls continue to come out, Visser said.

"This first step has already inspired a lot of girls to come out," Jacquay said.

The Flowing Wells Invitational has been around for more than 50 years, and this season the state's top regular season wrestling meet organized a tournament just for girls.

Jacquay became the first to receive the tournament's Most Outstanding Girls Wrestler award. But during her sectional final, Jacquay lost her varsity match this season.

She'll get a chance to avenge that loss at state. That's all the girls who wrestle were asking for.



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Wrestling Team Champions (2008-18)

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		DIVISIO	N IV	
Year	Champion (Pts)	Winning Coach	Runnerup (Pts)	Third Place (Pts)
		-	Morenci (146.5)	•
			St. Johns (170)	
		-	Winslow (146)	
			St. Johns (219)	
			St. Johns (195.5)	
			Morenci (147.5)	
		·		,
2018	Yuma (170)	DIVISIO	N III Sahuarita Walden Grove (169.5)	Show Low (168)
			Yuma (131)	
			Tucson Amphitheater (147)	
			Tucson Amphitheater (173.5)	
			Rio Rico (91)	
2012	Phoenix Thunderbird (121)	Steve Linsacum	Cottonwood Mingus (105)	Amphi & Blue Ridge (103)
2011	Phoenix Thunderbird (158.5)	Steve Linsacum	Cottonwood Mingus (157.5)	Rio Rico (127)
		DIVISIO	N II	
			Peoria Liberty (149.5)	
			Queen Creek (171)	
			Chandler Seton Catholic (159)	
			Peoria Liberty (130)	
			Vail Cienega (100.5)	
			Yuma Gila Ridge (128)	
			Yuma Gila Ridge (150)	
2011	Oro Valley Ironwood Ridge (141.5)	Tim Berrier	Tempe Marcos de Niza (116)	Phoenix Moon Valley (101)
		DIVISIO		
			Yuma Cibola (164)	
			Tucson Sunnyside (203)	
			Tucson Sunnyside (171.5)	
			Tucson Sunnyside (158)	
			Tucson Sunnyside (142) Chandler (132)	
			Yuma Cibola (120.5)	
			Gilbert Highland (114)	
	•		-	•
2010	Joseph City (215.5)	1A/2A CONF	EKENGES St. Johns (143)	Morenci (136.5)
			Benson (141.5)	
		3A CONFE	RENCE	
2010	Safford (267)		Payson (152.5)	Snowflake (144)
2009	Safford (40-25)	Herman Andrews Jr	Holbrook	John Bokker
			Lakeside Blue Ridge (170.5)	
		4A CONFE	RENCE	
			Queen Creek	
2010 4A-2.	Cottonwood Mingus (47-16)	Tom Wokasch	Phoenix Thunderbird	Steve Linsacum
2009 4A-1.	Vail Cienega (37-15)	Marty Niblo	Phoenix Thunderbird	Steve Linsacum
	•		Phoenix Moon Valley	-
			Phoenix Thunderbird (146)	
2008 4A-2	Cottonwood Mingus (243.5)	Tom Wokasch	Phoenix Moon Valley (163.5)	Queen Creek (110)
		5A CONFE		
			Mesa	
			Oro Valley Ironwood Ridge	
			Mesa	
			Oro Valley Ironwood Ridge	
			Tempe Corona del Sol	
2008 5A-2	rucson Sunnyside (53-13)	Roppy Degetry	Yuma Cibola	Pepe Moreno

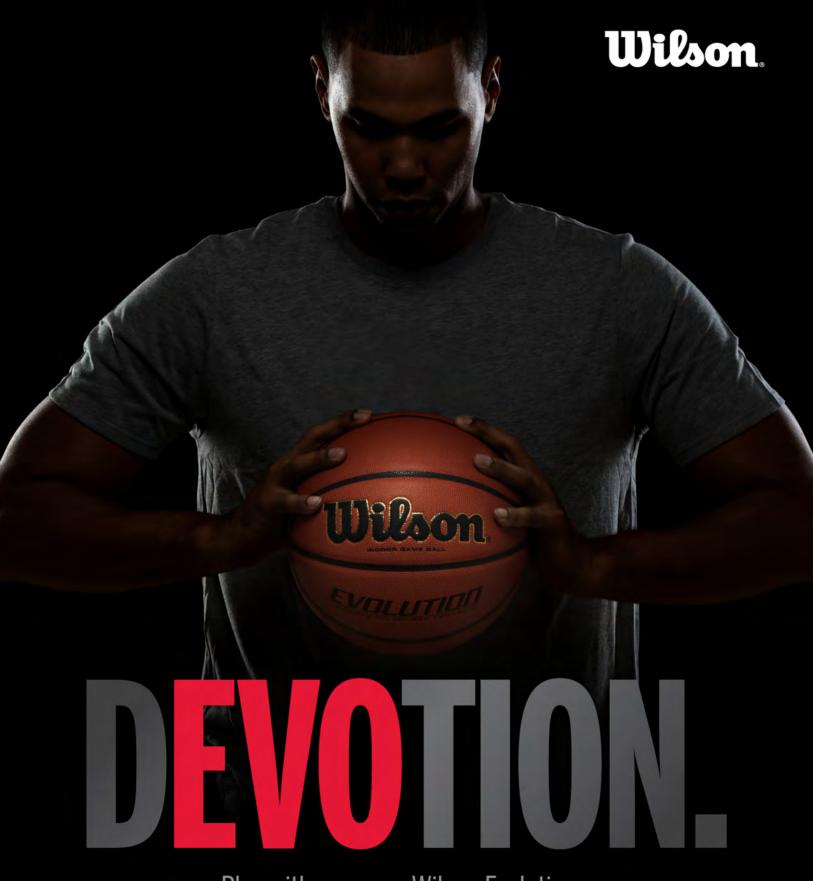
Bracketed Team Tournaments were held for the 3A Conference (2009), the 4A Conference (2009-10) and the 5A Conference (2006-10).

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