

Central Penn Youth Wrestling League By-Laws **(Revised 10-2-17)**

Article I: Organization

- A. The league will be composed of member teams, with new teams being admitted or expelled by a simple majority of votes by member teams in attendance at the annual league meeting.
- B. The League is not a sanctioning body. No membership fees are assessed. It's sole function is to provide a forum for general sameness among member teams, with respect to age, weight categories and wrestler ability. It also provides for those wrestlers wishing to participate.
- C. There shall be no staff of officers other than an Executive Director whose function is to schedule the annual meeting for no later than October 15 and, if necessary, a second meeting no later than November 15 and prior to scheduled meets. Member teams should have at least two weeks notice as to date, time, and place of each meeting. Additional meetings may be scheduled at the discretion of the Executive Director if the need exists.
The Executive Director is to be filled by the Chief Operating Officer of each team on a rotating basis. New teams will be placed at the end of the rotation. Please refer to the rotating schedule at the end of this document.
- D. Member teams may be represented by more than one representative at the meeting, but are restricted to one vote per team ballot issue.
- E. There must be more than 50% of the member teams present at the meeting to vote on any amendments to the by-laws.
- F. In case of a tie vote, the Executive Director shall cast the deciding vote.
- G. The CPYWL will be limited to twenty (20) member teams.

Article II: Eligibility

- A. Each team may consist of wrestlers in four age categories (as of January 1, said year) Kindergarten through sixth grade only, no junior high students):

Bantam	6 years old and under (coaches' discretion under the age of 5)
Midget	7 & 8 years old
Junior	9 & 10 year old
Intermediate	11, 12 & 13 years old

B. Weight classes are as follows:

Bantam	40, 44, 48, 53, 59, 64, 71, UNL
Midget	42, 46, 51, 56, 61, 66, 72, 77, 84, 90, 98, 105, UNL
Junior	50, 55, 61, 65, 70, 76, 82, 88, 95, 103, 111, 120, 130, UNL
Intermediate	65, 72, 79, 87, 93, 101, 109, 118, 127, 137, 148, 160, UNL

(The unlimited (UNL) class may be further modified at the meets and League Tournament if sufficient wrestlers are available, as to avoid endangering any wrestler.)

C. Wrestlers will be able to wrestle up one weight class or one age division in the weight class with parental permission, in order to obtain a match.

1. "Exhibition Matches" will be defined as only those matches in which participants are from two different age divisions. Any/all other matches will be counted on each wrestler's year-end record.

D. Member teams may make eligibility optional for wrestlers under the age of 9.

E. League meets should be given priority status. Every effort should be made to honor league commitments. Wrestlers must attend 4 out of the 6-scheduled league meets to be eligible for the league tournament. If a wrestler is going to miss more than 2 of the scheduled league meets, they must have a legitimate reason or a doctor's note. Wrestler will not be given a lower seed for a legitimate reason for missing matches.

F. Wrestlers must reside within one of the CPYWL school districts, (with the exception to religious based schools, which fall under one of the CPYWL school districts), to be eligible to participate in the CPYWL League Championship.

-If a wrestler wants to wrestle for another school in our league, other than the school he attends, there must be a phone call between the coaches of both schools (gentleman's agreement).

Article III: General Requirements

A. Each team must submit a roster listing each member by division, name, date of birth, age, weight, and years of experience. Ability level will be discussed when setting up bouts for league matches. Rosters should be e-mailed to the Executive Director and all member teams no later than one week before the date of the first scheduled League match. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from the League Tournament.

B. Wrestlers should not practice more than two times per week however teams may have one optional practice each week.

C. Each home team is responsible for obtaining scorekeepers, timers, a first aid kit, and PIAA officials for each mat. In the event that PIAA officials cannot be obtained; the next qualified

adults will be accepted. All hosting teams must make every attempt to have at least one paid PIAA official available.

- D. Bout length of League matches is 1-1-1 with OT to follow PIAA rules.
(Be sure that the 1st points scored in every match are circled/indicated on the bout sheet)
- E. Only coaches are allowed on the mat during meets. This is to be enforced by each team.
- F. There will be a League tournament weigh-in for each team for each stage of the tournament. One coach and/or Officer from a team will supervise the weigh-ins of an opposing team. All rosters will be signed by the opposing team's coach at the conclusion of the weigh-in.
- G. Admission may be charged for each adult of \$4 and K-12 grades and wrestlers are free. 5 free coaches (list of 5 coaches must be submitted @ Friday night seating's) all others pay. If admission is charged they must have PIAA referees on the mat.
- H. The home team must have, at a designated location on site, a trained medical professional for the entirety of the event.
- I. Rest time between a wrestler's matches, if it comes into question, will be decided upon between the coaches of the wrestlers involved, but no match shall be held for more than 20 minutes.

ARTICLE IV: League Tournament

A. General League Tournament Info

A league Tournament will be held at the end of each season in the following order.

- League Divisional Qualifier
- League Regional Qualifier
- League Championships

At the annual scheduling meeting, the date and place of all tournaments will be identified and need to be confirmed no later than October 31st.

Awards: The host team for each stage of the Tournament will be responsible for obtaining the awards.

Qualifier-

- Medals shall be given to the top four winners in each weight class.
- All participants in the Divisional Qualifier shall be given a T-shirt also the responsibility of the host team.

Regional Tournament-

- Medals shall be given to the top four winners in each weight class.

Championship Tournament-

- Trophies shall be given to the top four winners in each weight class.
- Champions will be given a shirt also the responsibility of the host team

Fees: A fee of \$20 per wrestler will be charged for the Divisional Qualifiers. A fee of \$15 per wrestler will be charged for the Regionals and Championships (*Stages: Divisional Qualifier, Regional and Championships*)

Weigh-ins: For ALL stages of the tournament, the wrestlers for each team will weigh-in at their home site and will be supervised by a coach from an opposing team according to the following list. Once wrestlers step on the scale, they may not step off the scales and do any physical activity to lose weight. (*Note: 2 tenths of a pound will be given for male wrestlers' undergarments & 4 tenths of a pound will be given for female wrestlers' undergarments*)

“Buddy School”

McSherrystown	↔	Littlestown
New Oxford	↔	Bermudian
Fairfield	↔	Waynesboro
Biglerville	↔	Carlisle
Bishop McDevit	↔	Cedar Cliff
James Buchanon	↔	Greencastle
Big Spring	↔	Boiling Springs
(ADD TEAM HERE)	↔	Susquenita
Shippensburg	↔	Chambersburg
West Perry	↔	Newport

B. League Qualifier

The league will be divided into 4 divisions (North, South, East & West). Please refer to the rotating schedule at the end of this document.

Host Teams:

Each division will have a Divisional Qualifier at the end of the season. The top team in each division will have the opportunity to hold the Divisional Qualifier at their home site according to the list above.

After the Qualifier, the top school will move to the bottom of the list regardless of whether they hold the Divisional Qualifier or not. The exception will be if they are to hold the league championship that same year. In this case, the first and second team in the list will switch places.

Advancement:

The top four wrestlers will advance to the League Regional Tournament

Weigh-ins:

All wrestlers must weigh-in on **Tuesday evening** prior to the Divisional Qualifier at their home site. (NO EXCEPTIONS). (*refer to general tournament weigh-in info above*)

Registration:

Divisional Qualifier registration forms must be sent by the host team to all the teams in the division by January 15th. T-Shirt counts and sizes must be back to the host team by January 28th with the payment and completed forms.

Seeding & Brackets:

Seeding wrestlers for the Divisional Qualifier will be done on Wednesday (the next day) evening at a site to be determined by the host team.

If only 3 participants in a weight class, it will go to round robin.

The brackets will remain the same after weigh-ins have been completed.

Any wrestler paired against another wrestler that does not present themselves at the tournament will receive a bye for the bout.

Every effort will be made to separate same team wrestlers for the first round of a bracket.

Admission Rate: Adults \$5 Students \$2 (5 free coaches per school)

B. Regional Tournament

The Regional Tournament will be divided into 2 divisions (North West & South East). Please refer to the rotating schedule at the end of this document.

Host Teams:

Each division will have a Regional tournament following the League Qualifier. The top team in each regional division will have the opportunity to hold the Regional Tournament at their home site according to the list above.

After the Regional Tournament, the top school will move to the bottom of the list regardless of whether they hold the Regional Tournament or not. The exception will be if they are to hold the

league championship that same year. In this case, the first and second team in the list will switch places.

Advancement:

The top four wrestlers will advance to the League Championships

Weigh-ins:

All wrestlers must weigh-in on **Thursday evening** prior to the Regional Tournament at their home site. (NO EXCEPTIONS). (*refer to general tournament weigh-in info above*)

Registration:

Regional Tournament registration forms with payment should be completed and turned in to the Regional Host School at the **completion** of the Qualifying Tournament.

Seeding & Brackets:

Seeding of wrestlers will be determined by the place by which place they took at the Divisional Qualifier.

8 Man Brackets should be set up as such:

North West Regional

South East Regional

N1	S1
W4	E4
N3	S3
W2	E2
N2	S2
W3	E3
N4	S4
W1	E1

The brackets will remain the same after weigh-ins have been completed.

Any wrestler paired against another wrestler that does not present themselves at the tournament will receive a bye for the bout.

Every effort will be made to separate same team wrestlers for the first round of a bracket.

Admission Fee: Adults \$5 Students \$2 (5 free coaches per school)

C. Championship Tournament

A league Championship will be held at the end of each season.
It will be held by the team at the top of the list in Article I: Section C.

Weigh-ins:

All wrestlers must weigh-in on **Thursday evening** prior to the Regional Tournament at their home site. (NO EXCEPTIONS). (*refer to general tournament weigh-in info above*)

Seeding & Brackets:

Seeding of wrestlers will be determined by the place by which place they took at the Regional Tournament.

8 Man Brackets should be set up as such:

NW1
SE4

NW3
SE2

NW2
SE3

NW4
SE1

The brackets will remain the same after weigh-ins have been completed.

Any wrestler paired against another wrestler that does not present themselves at the tournament will receive a bye for the bout.

Every effort will be made to separate same team wrestlers for the first round of a bracket.

Admission Fee: Adults \$5 Students \$2 (5 free coaches per school)