

6571 EAST 2ND STREET CASPER, WYOMING 82609

GIRLS AND BOYS STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 26 – 28, 2026 – FORD WYOMING CENTER MEET DIRECTOR – TERRY HOOKER

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2026

10:00 a.m. -- Weigh-Ins

10:45 a.m. -- Coaches Meeting – BRIDGER/MORMON ROOM

11:55 a.m. -- National Anthem 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. -- First Round (8 Mats)

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. -- Dinner Break

4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. -- Championship Quarterfinals (8 Mats)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026

9:00 a.m. -- Weigh-Ins

10:25 a.m. -- National Anthem

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. -- First Round Wrestle-Backs (8 Mats)

12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. -- Lunch Break

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. -- Second Round Wrestle-Backs (8 Mats) 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. -- Third Round Wrestle-Backs (8 Mats)

5:00 p.m. - 5:40 p.m. -- Dinner Break

5:40 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. -- March of Returning State Champions/National Anthem

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. -- Championship Semi-Finals (8 Mats)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2026

9:00 a.m. -- Weigh-Ins

10:25 a.m. -- National Anthem

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. -- Consolation Semi-Finals (8 Mats)

Third and Fifth Place Matches (8 Mats)

1:30 p.m. – 2:10 p.m. -- Lunch Break

2:10 p.m. -- Championship Face-Off

2:25 p.m. -- National Anthem

2:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. -- Championship Matches (4 Mats)

Back doors will open 90 minutes before weigh-ins each day for athletes and coaches. General public will be admitted one hour before competition starts each day.

Individual awards will be presented to each weight's top six place finishers in each classification immediately following the championship matches beginning at 105 for girls and 113 for boys. Team trophies will be presented at the conclusion to the top four places in each classification. The order of the team awards presentation will be as follows: Girls (fourth to first), 2A (fourth to first), 3A (fourth to first), 4A (fourth to first).



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TO: Wrestling Coaches

FROM: Trevor Wilson, Commissioner

DATE: January 26, 2026

SUBJECT: Weigh-ins at 2026 State Wrestling

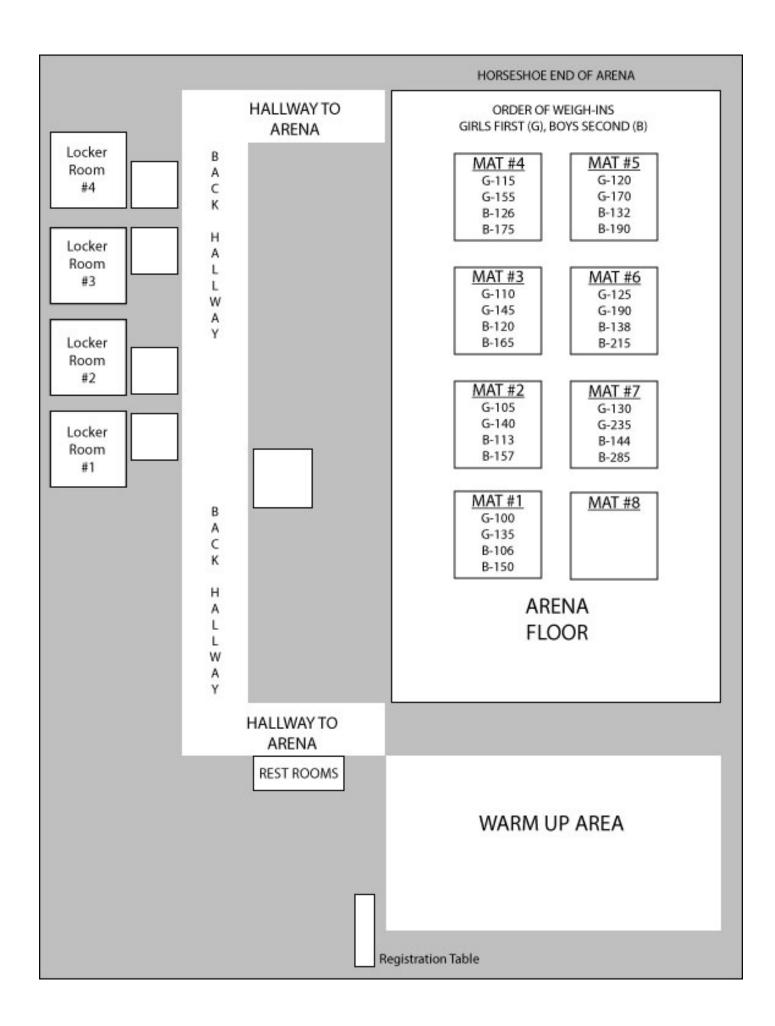
The weigh-in procedure at the 2026 WHSAA State Wrestling Tournament will be as follows:

- 1. Weigh-ins on Thursday, February 26 will be at 10:00 a.m.; Friday, February 27 will be at 9:00 a.m. and Saturday, February 28 will be at 9:00 a.m. Girls will go first, followed by boys, **Doors will not open until 90 minutes prior to scheduled weigh-ins.**
- 2. Weigh-ins will be accomplished on seven scales. Each weight class is assigned to a scale (see below). As per National Federation Rule 4-5-2, "If the contestant fails to make weight on the first scale, the contestant shall immediately step on each available scale one time in an attempt to make weight."

<u>Mat 1</u>	Mat 2	Mat 3	Mat 4	<u>Mat 5</u>
G - 100	G - 105	$\overline{G-110}$	G - 115	\overline{G} - 120
G - 135	G - 140	G - 145	G - 155	G - 170
B - 106	B - 113	B - 120	B - 126	B - 132
B - 150	B - 157	B - 165	B - 175	B - 190

Mat 6	<u> Mat 7</u>
G - 125	G - 130
G - 190	G - 235
B - 138	B - 144
B - 215	B - 285

- 3. The Ford Wyoming Center Floor, Dressing Rooms and Dressing Room Hallways will be designated as the weigh-in area. This will allow for a more comfortable weigh-in as wrestlers may wait in that area until their weigh-in. Weight classes will be notified as their time on the scale approaches. All wrestlers will be required to be present in the weigh-in area at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, 9:00 a.m. on Friday and 9:00 a.m. on Saturday.
- 4. Activities that promote dehydration are prohibited.



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2025-26 REGIONAL WRESTLING TOURNAMENTS

FEBRUARY 20-21, 2026

CLASS 2A EAST @ WRIGHT (2/20)

Meet Director: Larry Yeradi

HEMSaratoga Hulett Sundance Lingle-Ft. Laramie / Southeast

Moorcroft Tongue River Niobrara County Upton

Wright

CLASS 2A WEST @ ROCKY MOUNTAIN (2/20)

Meet Director: Tobee Christiansen

Big Piney Rocky Mountain

Cokeville Shoshoni Thermopolis Dubois Greybull / Riverside Wind River

Kemmerer Wyoming Indian

CLASS 3A EAST @ GLENROCK (2/20)

Meet Director: Jim Sarvey

Buffalo

Burns / Pine Bluffs

Douglas Glenrock Newcastle **Torrington** Rawlins Wheatland CLASS 3A WEST @ CODY (2/20)

Meet Director: Matt McFadden

CodvLyman

Lander Mountain View Lovell Pinedale Powell Worland

CLASS 4A EAST (B) @ THUNDER BASIN (2/20)

Meet Director: Erik Shepherd

Campbell County Laramie Cheyenne Central Sheridan Chevenne East Thunder Basin

Cheyenne South

CLASS 4A WEST (B) @ RIVERTON (2/20)

Meet Director: Max Mills

Casper Kelly Walsh Jackson Casper Natrona Riverton Evanston Rock Springs Star Valley Green River

CLASS 4A EAST (G) @ DOUGLAS

(2/20 P.M. & 2/21)

Meet Director: Jay Rhoades

CLASS 4A WEST (G) @ POWELL

(2/20 P.M. & 2/21)

Meet Director: Richard Despain



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ALL CLASS STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

February 26 – 28, 2026

Ford Wyoming Center

CHEERLEADERS

- *** There is to be <u>NO</u> stunting at State Wrestling <u>on or off the mats</u>. The consequence for stunting at State Wrestling is that the coach and the team must leave the events center immediately and will be placed on warning status for one year.
- 1. Your conduct most generally exemplifies the sportsmanship that is present in your school. We hope that your squad will at all times demonstrate a very high level of sportsmanship and compatibility.
- 2. Cheerleaders can lead cheers <u>from the stands only</u>. We ask that you remain seated while a match is in progress in order that spectator views are not obstructed. Cheerleaders will still be allowed to assist with awards on Saturday night should they choose to do so.
- 3. Pep posters are not permitted inside the playing area at regional and state indoor events. Only signs made of non-rigid materials such as styrofoam, cloth and paper are permitted. Signs may be no larger than can be held by one person. No additional sign or flag supports of rigid materials such as wooden dowels, paint paddles, golf club shafts, etc., will be allowed.
- 4. All cheerleaders must show their passes before they will be admitted into the Ford Wyoming Center. Uniforms will not act as passes. You will not be permitted to enter without a pass. Passes may be picked up at the back door of the Ford Wyoming Center as per WHSAA guidelines.
- 5. Please read and observe the WHSAA regulations in regard to cheerleading.
- 6. The WHSAA, the Natrona County School District, the City of Casper, the Ford Wyoming Center or their agents or employees will not be held liable for any personal injury that may occur during cheerleading stunts or demonstrations. They will also not be liable for lost or stolen property personal or otherwise.

In order to have a productive and successful tournament, we are asking for your help in regard to the items mentioned above.

Thank you for your help and cooperation.



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GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

ROSTERS / **ENTRIES** – Team Rosters will be pulled from the Track Wrestling site. **No late entries will be accepted.** Please make sure names are spelled correctly and grades are accurate.

TEAM PICTURE -- A digital team photo (jpeg format) should be submitted to Scott McCash (smccash@whsaa.org) at the WHSAA office prior to your regional tournament.

BREAKFAST -- Breakfast will be available for wrestlers and coaches after weigh-ins each morning. A buffet menu is included with this information. The Ford Wyoming Center has requested that schools contact them on Monday, February 24, 2025 by 8:00 a.m. with guaranteed numbers. Coaches may also call 235-8451 (Candie) or e-mail (Candie.Buckallew@oakviewgroup.com) with their numbers. Schools that do not RSVP will not be able to eat until after the teams that made reservations. The Ford Wyoming Center will only accept credit cards or cash (NO VOUCHERS).

TEAM COOLERS – Team coolers are allowed on the Ford Wyoming Center floor only and must be brought in through the back door. Please do not leave coolers at the Ford Wyoming Center overnight.

TEAM FOOD – Outside food must stay in designated areas – no outside food is allowed in the stands. No food will be allowed at the scoring tables. Food that is eaten after weigh-ins may be eaten on the Ford Wyoming Center floor, but must be cleaned up immediately. All other food during the day should be eaten in the back hallway. NO COOKING OR WARMING DEVICES (I.E. CROCK POTS) ARE ALLOWED. THE BACK HALLWAY NEEDS TO BE KEPT CLEAN. IF WRESTLERS DO NOT CLEAN UP AFTER THEMSELVES WE WILL NO LONGER ALLOW TEAMS TO BRING FOOD INTO THE EVENTS CENTER.

TEAM CAMPS – Teams camps will be allowed in the upper sections of the arena (200's) or in the horseshoe.

PHOTOS DURING MATCHES – No photos are to be taken from the Coaches Area during matches. Parents should not be given coach or media passes to gain access to the floor during their wrestler's matches. ABUSE OF COACHES AND MEDIA PASSES WILL BE DEALT WITH ON A SCHOOL BY SCHOOL BASIS.

PRACTICE – Open practice will be available at the Ford Wyoming Center on Wednesday afternoon, between 1:00-4:00 p.m.

TEAM PACKETS - Packets will contain passes for coaches and managers. A maximum of 2 manager passes will be given for boys teams and 2 for girls teams.

COACHES MEETING -- There will be a Coaches Meeting in the Bridger/Mormon Room on Thursday, February 27, 2025, at 10:45 a.m. All coaches need to attend, as tournament information will be discussed.

WEIGHT CONTROL -- Weigh-ins for the state-wrestling tournament are scheduled on Thursday at 10:00 a.m., Friday at 9:00 a.m., and Saturday at 9:00 a.m. **Doors will not be open until 90 minutes prior to scheduled weigh-ins.** An extra pound allowance will be given the second and third day. If a qualifier fails to make weight, or for any other reason is unable to wrestle in the state tournament, a forfeit will be declared.

GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT (CONTINUED)

BRACKET -- The bracket that will be used during the state-wrestling tournament can be found in the 2025-26 WHSAA Handbook on page 76.

MAT SETUP - - Please see enclosed map.

SEATING AT MAT SIDE -- During matches, only those coaches whose wrestler is competing (but no more than two), will be allowed in the specifically designated coaches chairs. During finals, only <u>3 coaches</u> will be allowed in the specifically designated coach's chairs. ONLY COACHES, WRESTLERS <u>IN THE FINALS</u>, OFFICIALS, AND WORKING PERSONNEL WILL BE PERMITTED ON THE ARENA FLOOR.

LIMITED SEATING WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE ARENA FLOOR DURING THE FINALS FOR COACHES ONLY.

APPEARANCE DURING AWARDS -- Thank you for continuing to do such a great job with this. Coaches are to remind wrestlers that they should be dressed in appropriate attire when receiving awards. Wrestlers should be wearing either their wrestling uniform, sweatsuit, or they should be dressed neatly in street apparel. T-shirts with inappropriate designs or language and hats should not be worn.

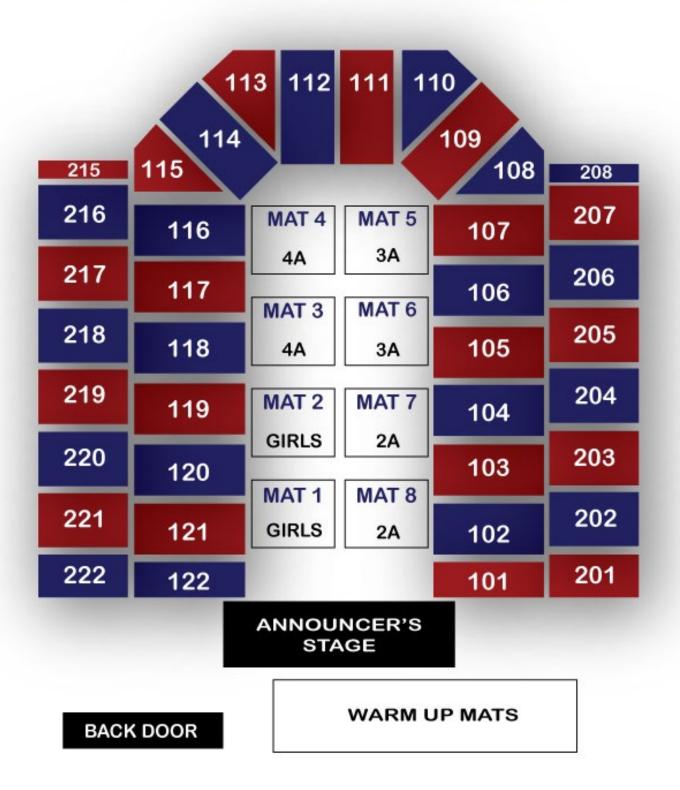
Due to the tremendous amount of work and time involved in setting up for this tournament, please do not ask to use the Ford Wyoming Center for practice on Thursday evening.

STATE WRESTLING TICKET PRICES

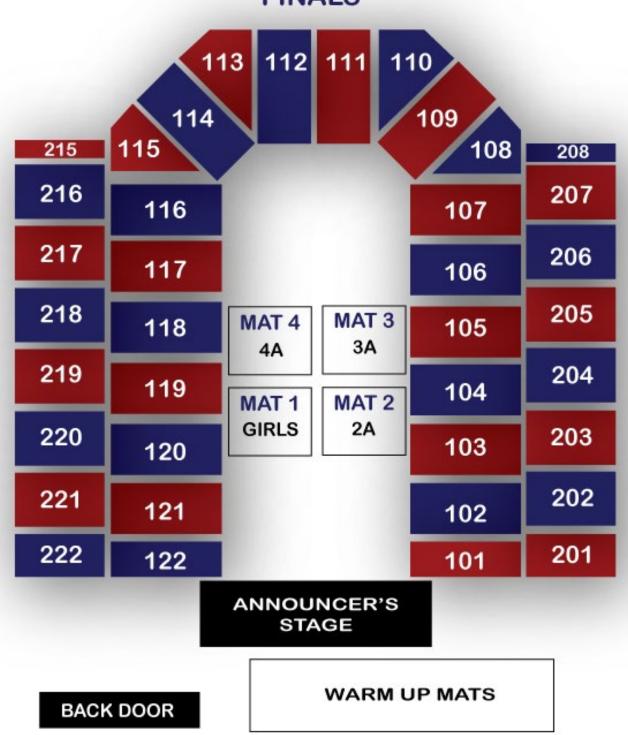
All Session	<u>Adult</u> \$20.00		Student \$14.00
All Day Ticket	<u>Adult</u> \$11.00	<u>Thursday</u>	Student \$ 8.00
All Day Ticket	Adult \$11.00	<u>Friday</u>	Student \$ 8.00
All Day Ticket	<u>Adult</u> \$11.00	<u>Saturday</u>	Student \$ 8.00

Once again, the Ford Wyoming Center will offer pre-sales of All Session Tournament Passes online. Please check the WHSAA website at www.whsaa.org for details

2026 STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT



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TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

I would like to welcome you, your team and fans to the 2026 All Class State Wrestling Tournament. I hope your experience in Casper will be both rewarding and memorable.

SITE: FORD WYOMING CENTER

PARKING: The team entrance door is the back entrance located on the East side. You may drop your teams off at the entrance and then park your vehicle in lot 11. <u>Make sure that each person associated with your team has a tournament pass. Those without passes will not be admitted.</u>

DRESSING ROOM ASSIGNMENTS: Girls – Locker Room #4

Boys - Locker Rooms #1 Boys - Locker Room #2 Boys - Locker Room #3

EACH TEAM MUST SUPPLY THEIR OWN TOWELS

WARM-UP AREA: A warm-up mat will be at the East end of the Ford Wyoming Center next to the announcers stand.

ATHLETIC TRAINERS: A trainer will be available throughout the tournament. If you have need of these services please call upon us. **Please provide normal athletic supplies such as tape and prewrap.**

VIDEO TAPING: Taping will be permitted from seating area only. No power sources or cords will be provided or permitted. Only credentialed media will be permitted on floor level.

HOSPITALITY ROOM: A hospitality room for all tournament officials, coaches, administrators, and adult media members will be provided.

I wish you the best of luck and know that you will have an enjoyable stay in Casper.

BUFFET BREAKFAST MENU FOR 2026 HIGH SCHOOL STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT:

SCRAMBLED EGGS
BISCUITS AND GRAVY
SAUSAGE PATTIES
HASH BROWNS
ORANGE JUICE
COFFEE

ONLY \$15.00 / PERSON (ONE TRIP THROUGH THE LINE)

THE FORD WYOMING CENTER WILL ONLY ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS OR CASH (NO VOUCHERS)

SUMMIT ROOM
FORD WYOMING CENTER
THURSDAY – 10:00 A.M. – NOON
FRIDAY – 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.
SATURDAY – 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.
(AFTER WEIGH-INS)

PLEASE CONTACT THE FORD WYOMING CENTER BY 8:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, 2/24/2025 WITH GUARANTEED NUMBERS.

YOU MUST MAKE A RESERVATION.

PHONE: (307) 235-8451

E-MAIL: <u>Candie.Buckallew@oakviewgroup.com</u>