

Youth Wrestlers Continue Preparing for Postseason

As the Governor Wrestling program progresses toward the conclusion of their season, local youth wrestlers have continued to experience various levels of success at tournaments throughout the state. On February 12th, 76 members of the Pierre youth wrestling program competed at the annual Pierre Invitational hosted.

A total of 392 wrestlers competed at the event with participants from South Dakota, North Dakota, and Nebraska traveling to compete in Pierre.

A total of 17 wrestlers won individual championships at the invitational competing in 16 man bracket formats. Andrew Snyder, Keith Gorham and Rylan Shrake were champions in the 6 & under division, while Brady Getz, Jayden Wiebe and Noah Williams each won in the 7 & 8 division. The final 11 champions were crowned in the 9 & 10 (Justyce Murphy, Cade Hinkle, Dylan Snyder, Grey Zabel, Jace Bench Bresher) 11 & 12 (Will Turman, Lincoln Turman), and 13 & 14 age division (Austin Senger, Levi Stoltenburg, Lucas Stoltenburg, Michael Lusk).

Paul Turman, president of the youth program, noted “This is the first year that we used the extended bracket format which resulted in a smaller number of individual champions. We feel it helped attracted higher caliber wrestlers from around the



Zane Zilverberg, works to turn his Sturgis opponent in route to a 2nd place finish at the Pierre Youth Wrestling Invitational on February 12th.

state, and gave all our members a better sense for how post-season brackets will work.” The club also produced a total of 8 second place, 9 third place, and 5 fourth place finishes, with 8 other wrestlers finishing in the top 8.

On February 19th, 20th, and 21st club members traveled to a variety of sites throughout the state to wrestle at tournaments in Parkston, Phillip, Mobridge, Miller, Wall, Arlington, and Presho. Across these seven events 34 individual champions were awarded for the club, with a total of 49 wrestlers competing. “I’m very happy where were many of our members are at right now,” said Turman. “Traveling to these tournaments, and finding difficult matches should prepare them well for having success once the postseason arrives.

Due to the state high school wrestling tournament, there are limited opportunities for youth wrestlers to compete this coming weekend, but the local district tournament will be hosted in Ft. Pierre on Saturday

March 3rd. Those wrestlers placing in the top 8 at districts will advance to the Region tournament in Miller on March 10th to compete against wrestlers from district 4. Only the top 3 wrestlers then advance to the state tournament. Individual results for Pierre Youth wrestlers over the past two weekends include:

Pierre Invitational

Andrew Snyder – 1st
Austin Senger – 1st
Brady Getz – 1st
Cade Hinkle – 1st
Dylan Snyder – 1st
Grey Zabel – 1st
Jace Bench Bresher – 1st
Jayden Wiebe – 1st
Justyce Murphy – 1st
Keith Gorham – 1st
Levi Stoltenburg – 1st
Lincoln Turman – 1st
Lucas Stoltenburg – 1st
Michael Lusk – 1st
Noah Williams – 1st
Rylan Shrake – 1st
Will Turman – 1st
Spencer Davis – 2nd
Hayden Shaffer – 2nd
Lincoln Schoenhard – 2nd
Logan Meyer – 2nd
Peyton Zabel – 2nd
Tyson Johnson – 2nd
Brady Miller – 2nd
Gabe Turman – 2nd
Jacob Junk – 2nd
Avery Anderson-Boardman – 3rd
Gavin Stotts – 3rd
Jacob Mason – 3rd
Jaret Clarke – 3rd
Kahlor Hindman – 3rd
Sam Slocum – 3rd
Steven Fullerton – 3rd
Ty Paulsen – 3rd
Carston Miller – 3rd
J.R. Mayer – 3rd

Harlan Stotts – 4th
Jacob Taylor – 4th
Jaxon Jungwirth – 4th
Matthew Hostler – 4th
Matthew Lusk – 4th
Nathan Williams – 4th
Matthew King – 5th
Tayne Anderson – 5th
Cord Ellis – 6th
Jacob Larson – 6th
Brayden Houlette – 7th
Shawn Van Liere – 7th
Jadon Anderson-Boardman – 7th
Jett Zabel – 8th
Spencer Taylor – 8th

Chamberlain

Jace Bench-Bresher – 1st
Matthew Hostler – 1st
Spencer Sargent – 1st
Matthew King – 2nd
Spencer Davis – 2nd
Tristan Spencer – 2nd
Tyrone Oldenkamp – 2nd

Miller

Brady Getz – 1st
Cord Ellis – 1st
Gage Gehring – 1st
Tyson Johnson – 1st
Maguire Raskie – 1st
Jack Van Camp – 1st
Will Van Camp – 1st
Avery Anderson-Boardman – 2nd
Gavin Stotts – 2nd
Hayden Shaffer – 2nd
Jadon Anderson-Boardman – 2nd
Kahlor Hindman – 2nd
Tayne Anderson – 2nd
Gunnar Gehring – 3rd
Nick Gray – 3rd
Harlin Stotts – 3rd
Hudson Shaffer – 3rd

Mobridge

Aric Williams – 1st

Ayden Anderson – 1st
Brady Miller – 1st
Carston Miller – 1st
Ethan Martinmaas – 1st
Jacoby Taylor – 1st
Lee Snyder – 1st
Nathan Williams – 1st
Noah Williams – 1st
Jayce Anderson – 3rd
Spencer Taylor – 4th

Parkston & Philip

Cade Hinkle – 1st
Andrew Snyder – 1st
Jace Bench-Bresher – 1st
Cade Hinkle – 2nd
Dylan Snyder – 3rd
Tyson Nemec – 2nd
Tristen Nemec – 3rd

Presho

Nick Gray – 1st
Jack Van Camp – 1st
Will Van Camp – 1st
Spencer Davis – 1st
Easton Swartz – 3rd

Wall

Gabe Turman – 1st
Lincoln Turman – 1st
Michael Lusk – 1st
Pryce Dyk – 1st
Blake Judson – 1st
Grant Judson – 1st
Spencer Sarringar – 1st
William Turman – 1st
Andrew Snyder – 2nd
Shawn Van Liere – 2nd
Tyson Nemec – 2nd
Dylan Snyder – 3rd
Matthew Lusk – 3rd
Tristen Nemec – 5th