

### ***Local Youth Wrestlers Host Pierre Invitational***

Pierre was exposed to a significant amount of wrestling over the weekend, as the Governor wrestling team hosted the East vs. West Dual Tournament, followed by approximately 350 wrestlers competing in the Pierre Youth Wrestling Invitational on Sunday January 20<sup>th</sup>. Over the weekend, 90 members of the Pierre youth wrestling program competed at the annual tournament with wrestlers from regional clubs, as well as North Dakota and Nebraska traveling to compete in Pierre.

A total of 21 Pierre wrestlers won individual championships at the tournament across the 52 weight classes and age divisions. The tournament used district style bracketing with designated weight classes with many of the wrestlers competing in 16 man brackets. Champions at the tournament included Alex Odekoven and Carson Stoeser in the 6 & Under division, while Ethan Martinmaas, Matthew Hostler, Jett Zabel, and Gavin Stotts each won in the 7 & 8 year old division. Gabe Turman, Noah Williams, Blake Judson, Hayden Shaffer and Jacob Larson each won their divisions in the 9 & 10 age group, followed by Will Van Camp, Cade Hinkle, and Maguire Raske in the 11 & 12 division. The largest number of champions came from the 13 & 14 year old Schoolboy division with wins by Lincoln Turman, Will Turman, Michael Lusk, DJ Highbear, Garrett Leesman, Zane Zilverberg, Gage Gehring, and Easton Swartz.



**Tyson Johnson, works to set up a takedown against his Faulkton opponent during the Pierre Youth Wrestling Invitational. Johnson went on to place second at the event over the weekend.**

Jammie Raske, advanced division coach for the Pierre program, noted “When we use the district style bracketing it attracts a lot of top talent from around the state which gives our kids exposure to wrestling in bigger tournaments. It also puts a lot of Pierre kids up against each other and in many of the brackets we had runner-up performances where two kids from our own club had to wrestle in the finals.” The program also produced 15 runner-up finishes (Jacob Mason, Keith Gorham, Andrew Snyder, Tristan Spencer, Trey Lewis, Jayden Wiebe, Tyson Johnson, Matthew King, Jace Bench Bresher, Spencer Davis, Harlan Stotts, Justyce Murphy, Logan Meyer, Zachary Rounds, Caden Buchholz and Matthew Rounds), as well as 12 wrestlers winning the consolation championship (Jacob Taylor, Cayden Morris, Spencer Easland, Elijah Boutchee, Jayce Anderson, Rylan Shrake, Colt Norman, Tyson Nemec, Nate Williams, Steven Fullerton, Brady Getz, Preston Dyk, and Pryce Dyk).

Action continues this weekend as youth wrestlers will have an opportunity to compete in Onida on Friday January 25<sup>th</sup>, or Highmore on January 27<sup>th</sup>. A number of

other tournaments are distributed across the state and club members are also expected to compete in Brookings, Wessington Springs, Belle Fourche, Yankton and Aberdeen. Individual results for local youth wrestlers at the Pierre Invitational include:

### ***Tots***

Alex Oedekoven – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Jacob Mason – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Samuel Larson – 6<sup>th</sup>  
Damen Horsley – 8<sup>th</sup>  
Lincoln Schoenhard – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Jacoby Taylor – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Carson Stoesser – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Kenyon Kuiper – 8<sup>th</sup>  
Colton Cass – 7<sup>th</sup>  
Dale Balfany – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Caleb Morris – DNP  
Hudson Shaffer – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Tucker Otte – 4<sup>th</sup>

### ***Bantam***

Keith Gorham – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ethan Martinmaas – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Matthew Hostler – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Andrew Snyder – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Zayden Rounds – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Robert Arnold – DNP  
Cayden Morris – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Brayden Houlette – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Ridge Leimbach – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Caynen Carr – 6<sup>th</sup>  
Simon Addison – DNP  
Thomas Stobbe – DNP  
Tristan Spencer – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Cole Rank – 6<sup>th</sup>  
Cade Kaiser – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Brock Zeeb – 7<sup>th</sup>  
Spencer Easland – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Trey Lewis – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Elijah Boutchee – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Jett Zabel – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Jayce Anderson – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Gabriel Laroache – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Rylan Shrake – 3<sup>rd</sup>

Gavin Stotts – 1<sup>st</sup>

### ***Midget***

Gabe Turman – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Colt Norman – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Noah Williams – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Tyson Nemec – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Jayden Wiebe – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Shawn Van Liere – DNP  
Nate Williams – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Kahlor Hindman – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Kysten Horsley – DNP  
Blake Judson – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Spencer Taylor – 8<sup>th</sup>  
Mason Dell – 7<sup>th</sup>  
Hayden Shaffer – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Ayden Anderson – DNP  
Brady Miller – 6<sup>th</sup>  
Paul Heth – DNP  
Tyson Johnson – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Steven Fullerton – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Zach Oldenkamp – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Brady Getz – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Jacob Larson – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Mathew King – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Jeremiah Church – 6<sup>th</sup>

### ***Novice***

Will Van Camp – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Preston Dyk – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Tristen Nemec – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Jace Bench Bresher – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Cade Hinkle – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Gabe HighBear – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Tyrone Oldenkamp – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Trenton Gore – 6<sup>th</sup>  
Jack Van Camp – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Lee Snyder – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Maguire Raske – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Spencer Davis – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Wesley Harsma – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Harlan Stotts – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Justyce Murphy – 2<sup>nd</sup>

### ***Schoolboy***

Lincoln Turman – 1<sup>st</sup>

Will Turman – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Christopher Luderman – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Tyler Johnson – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Michael Lusk – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Logan Meyer – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Zachary Rounds – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
DJ Highbear – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Garrett Leesman – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Cadin Buchholz – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Matthew Rounds – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Zane Zilverberg – 1<sup>st</sup>  
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