



MASSACHUSETTS INTERSCHOLASTIC  
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



# 2022-23 MIAA Wrestling *Girls All-State Tournament* *Entry Update*

To all MIAA Wrestling schools:

I hope this communication finds you, your student-athletes and coaches having a memorable winter season! I would like to bring your attention to a significant and positive update related to the MIAA Girls All-State Tournament entry decision timeline.

1. Effective immediately, female wrestlers will be permitted to compete in the MIAA Sectional and Divisional State tournaments (if they qualify) before having to decide which tournament track to enter (i.e. the Girls All-State Tournament or the traditional mixed-gender All-State Tournament).

This is a significant change from previous years when female wrestlers had to decide which "tournament track" to enter prior to the start of the MIAA Wrestling Sectional Tournaments. In previous years, if a female wrestler chose to compete in the Girls All-State Tournament, they were not allowed to compete in the mixed-gender Sectional Tournament and the mixed-gender Divisional State Tournament. The MIAA Wrestling Committee heard the feedback from wrestling schools, coaches and athletes and made this significant change to help grow the sport and prevent an athlete from having to make a difficult decision prior to the tournament season starting. This decision was overwhelmingly supported by the MIAA Wrestling Committee, the MIAA Tournament Management Committee, and the MIAA Blue Ribbon Committee.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The Girls All-State Tournament entry deadline will still be **Friday, February 10, 2023**, prior to Sectionals. Schools are encouraged to enter any and all female wrestlers for the Girls All-State Tournament by the deadline. Schools must register these athletes for BOTH tournament tracks, if they wish to compete in both.

A registration link for both the traditional mixed gender Tournament series and the Girls All-State Tournament will be sent out in early February through FloArena. As noted above, any female athletes that qualify for the traditional mixed gender All-State Tournament will have to choose which tournament to compete in by **Monday, February 20, 2023**.

## 2. Additional reminders:

- As the MIAA Wrestling Tournament is about five weeks away, it is critically important that **all of your meet results are updated and accurate in FloArena**. This information allows us to seed the tournament.
- Click to view the [MIAA FloArena FAQs and Training Videos](#)

- The **cut-off date** for the wrestling regular season is **Wednesday, February 8, 2023**. All meets must be complete and entered on FLO by the end of day Wednesday to allow time for sectional reps and tournament directors to collect and verify information prior to seeding.
- The tournament **host sites** can be found on the [MIAA Wrestling page](#). We cannot thank these schools enough for supporting MIAA wrestling!
- [Click here](#) to nominate a team for the MIAA Wrestling Team Sportsmanship Award.
- On November 29<sup>th</sup>, we sent out a Season Reminders & Resources email. Please [click here](#) to view that communication.

Best of luck with the remainder of the season!

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