

# 2008 STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT SPECTATOR INFORMATION

- ◆ **TICKETING** - Advance sale tickets for the State Wrestling Tournament may be purchased at ones school or on-line at <[www.dahlstickets.com](http://www.dahlstickets.com)>. Spectators are encouraged to purchase advance sale tickets to avoid long lines. Ticket prices are \$8. **There is a service and handling charge for any tickets ordered on-line.**
  
- ▶ All seats for sessions 1-9 are general admission seats. **All seats for the finals Saturday evening are reserved seats. There are no tickets available for the finals Saturday evening.**
  
- ▶ **Doors open 1½ hours before the scheduled starting time for each session.** For the finals Saturday evening, doors will open at 4:15pm.
  
- ▶ For your convenience, the **Skywalk Entrance and North Ticket Entrance are only for spectators holding advance sale tickets.** No tickets will be sold at these two entrances.
  
- ▶ There is **no** indoor lobby at the North Ticket Entrance.
  
- ▶ The **Main Ticket Entrance & Box Office and the Hy-Vee Hall ticket windows are for spectators who need to purchase tickets.** These are the only two locations where tickets will be sold on-site. Tickets go on sale 2 hours before the scheduled starting time of the first session each day.
  - ▶ Spectators waiting in line to purchase tickets at Hy-Vee Hall will be allowed to wait **inside** the building. Spectators purchasing tickets at Hy-Vee Hall can wait inside until the doors open.
  - ▶ Spectators waiting in line at the Main Ticket Entrance & Box Office to purchase tickets must wait **outside**. Once tickets have been purchased at this entrance there is a small lobby where some spectators may wait.
  
- ▶ Spectators who have already entered the Arena for a session may **purchase tickets for future sessions at the ticket windows on the main concourse behind section 101 or at the main box office.** This will NOT necessitate leaving the Arena and will help avoid having to wait in line to purchase tickets the day of the session.
  
- ▶ Wells Fargo Arena does **NOT** accept checks as payment for tickets.
  
- ▶ **Anyone 5 years of age, or older, must purchase a ticket** for the state wrestling tournament.

- ▶ There are suites located throughout Wells Fargo Arena. These suites are corporate owned. **Access to the suite level is available strictly to these suite owners.** There are no suite rentals available from the IHSAA during the tournament.

- ◆ **ALCOHOL & TOBACCO - No alcohol or tobacco is to be sold or consumed on the grounds of any state tournament venue,** leased or provided, to the Iowa High School Athletic Association for the purpose of conducting a state championship.

Section 123.46 of the Iowa Code states: **A person shall not possess or consume alcoholic beverages, wine or beer, on public school property or while attending a public or private school related function.** A person shall not be intoxicated or simulate intoxication in a public place. Any person violating this subsection is guilty of a simple misdemeanor. This policy will be strictly enforced.

- ◆ **BAGS AND PURSES - All bags and purses are subject to search** by Wells Fargo Arena security prior to spectator entrance. No food is allowed to be brought into the Arena by spectators.
- ◆ **BANNERS AND SIGNS - The Board of Control of the IHSAA prohibits spectators from displaying any banners or signs, using artificial noise makers, as well as, the use of confetti, etc.** Wells Fargo Arena security will not allow any of these items into the Arena. Any of these items discovered in the Arena will be confiscated.
- ◆ **FOOD - Spectators are NOT allowed to bring food into Wells Fargo Arena.**
- ◆ **PARKING - Parking is available in the lot immediately north of Vet's Auditorium for \$6.** Other parking options include local parking ramps shown on the map found on the IHSAA web site or side streets. **Parking ramps charge \$5 per day and the streets have metered parking.** Street parking is free after 6:00pm on weekdays and on weekends. A map showing recommended access to Wells Fargo Arena can be found at the following web site <[www.i235.com/vets\\_route.htm](http://www.i235.com/vets_route.htm)>.
- ◆ **Pep busses will be allowed to drop students off at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street “drop off lane” near the Main Entrance to the Arena.** After dropping students off, busses will be directed to Principal Park where pep busses ONLY can park for free. There is a \$6 charge for a taxi to WFA for those drivers who do not want to stay with their bus.

◆ **PETS** - Except as otherwise stated herein, **no pets are permitted at events sanctioned by the IHSAA**. Any persons found with a pet at an event will be asked to remove the pet from the premises. However, this policy shall comply with the provision of Iowa Code 216C as such as **a person with a disability or person training an assisted animal has the right to be accompanied by a service dog or an assisted animal under control**. The person is liable for damage done to any premises or facility by a service dog or assisted animal. A “service dog” means a dog specifically trained at a recognized facility to assist a person with a disability, whether described as a service dog, guide dog, hearing dog, support dog, independent dog or otherwise. “Assisted animal” means a simian or other animal specifically trained, or in the process of being trained under the auspices of a recognized training facility, to assist a person with a disability.

◆ **PHOTOGRAPHY - Spectators may take pictures and video from their seats as long as no external power is utilized**. Taking pictures or videotaping in the aisles is strictly prohibited. No photos or videotape may be sold, or otherwise redistributed, without written permission from the Iowa High School Athletic Association. Award stand photo orders will be taken on the main concourse level on Friday and Saturday. Questions about award stand photos should be directed to Chad Elsberry at the Athletic Association. His contact information is (515) 432-2011 or <celsberry@iahsaa.org>

The Iowa High School Athletic Association has contracted with Visual Image Photography (VIP) to provide photographic coverage of State Wrestling Tournament. The VIP photographers will take action photos throughout the tournament. VIP will also take photos of the teams placing first - third at the state tournament and the group shots of the individual champions in each class. After the tournament, **photos will be posted on the <www.vipis.com> web site for preview and ordering by parents and others**. VIP will also have a display at the tournament regarding previewing and ordering photos. All inquires regarding VIP photos should be made through their web site or by calling 1-800-577-9570.

◆ **SPECTATOR ATTIRE** - Shirts and shoes are required attire for spectators in attendance at all indoor IHSAA-sponsored athletic events.

◆ **SPECTATOR CONDUCT** - Each school is responsible for supervising and policing their own spectators regarding behavior and conduct. The following behaviors are not permitted at Iowa High School Athletic Association sanctioned events and shall result in the specified penalty.

- ▶ Disrespectful conduct, including profanity, obscene gestures or comments, offensive remarks of a sexual nature, or other actions that demean individuals or the event.

**PENALTY - EJECTION**

- ▶ Throwing articles onto the contest area.

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- ▶ Entering the contest area in protest or celebration.

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- ▶ Physical confrontation involving contest officials, coaches/directors, contestants or spectators.

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- ▶ Wearing masks or any headgear which restricts or limits the identification of the individual.

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- ▶ Spectator interference with the event.

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- ▶ Jumping up and down on the bleachers.

**PENALTY - WARNING / EJECTION**

- ▶ Use of artificial noise makers, signs or banners.

**PENALTY - WARNING AND/OR EJECTION**

- ▶ Chants or cheers directed at opponents.

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- ◆ **STATE MEET RESULTS** - Match and team results will be displayed behind section 124 in the Arena throughout the tournament. They will also be posted on the IHSAA web site <[www.iahsaa.org](http://www.iahsaa.org)>. Printed results will be available at the head table for coaches. Updated brackets will be sold at all program locations On Thursday - Saturday of the tournament.

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