



2021 IHSAA State Wrestling Championships

February 17-20, Wells Fargo Arena, Des Moines



MEDIA INFORMATION

MEDIA ACCESS

- **Entry:** Media members must register in advance of the event through the IHSAA website and present a mobile or printed scannable ticket as issued by Iowa Events Center. Entry each day will be through the VIP/Media doors on the NW corner of Wells Fargo Arena. Once scanned in, media members should take the elevator downstairs to the NW tunnel entry. The IHSAA will not have a check-in table for media or administrators at the 2021 event.
- **Credentials:** Media members should display the IHSAA's 2020-21 gray hard copy credential if they have it. If they do not have the 2020-21 pass, they will receive a temporary wristband upon entry. The credential or wristband will be required before receiving access to the floor. If you need a wristband, please seek IHSAA personnel before attempting to enter the matside area on the arena floor. A new wristband will be required daily.
- **Regulations:** Credentials and wristbands have been issued to media members for the sole purpose of providing access to individuals with legitimate working functions for bona fide news outlets. Unauthorized use or sale of these credentials subjects the bearer to ejection from the state tournament and revocation of access rights to their media outlet. Your application for and entry with a state tournament credential indicates your compliance with IHSAA and IHSSN rules and regulations.

MEDIA WORK SPACE

- Two main work rooms are available in the NW corner of the floor level of Wells Fargo Arena. Do not send large files over the Media Wifi.
 1. A large media center and open space is on the left side of the NW hallway, through large garage doors. This space used to be Warm-Up Area A. Screens with live video of the tournament are available. Please be courteous and considerate with space.
 2. A work room for photographers and TV personnel is on the right side of the hallway once you exit the NW elevator at floor level. It is past the first two doors on the right. This work room should have long tables with hard-wired internet available.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

- **TrackWrestling** is the exclusive provider of official brackets, scores, and results for the IHSAA State Wrestling Championships. Outside of tournament programs, printed updates to brackets or bout sheets will not be provided unless otherwise requested in advance.

IHSSN COVERAGE

- **How to Watch:** The Iowa High School Sports Network is using TrackWrestling to broadcast every match of the State Duals and Traditional Tournament. Semifinals and finals will be broadcast through TV and streaming options. More information at: www.ihssn.com.
- **Video Policies:** IHSSN rules and regulations apply for newspaper, radio, and television outlets seeking to post video clips from state tournament events. **Live streaming of matches is prohibited.** For more information: www.ihssn.com/media-resources.

INTERVIEWS & PHOTOS

- **Interviews:** Three areas are assigned: Entry and exit hallways to the arena floor located in the NW, NE, and SW corners. Do not delay coaches or athletes on the mats or during awards. **No media access is allowed in the locker rooms or team warm-up spaces.**
- **Photo & TV:** Mats have been placed behind or beside the wrestling mats for photo and video use. Please be courteous of those watching the matches beside or behind you. Access to area between mats must be authorized by the IHSAA.
- **Virtual Interview:** New audio/video option in 2021. Visit: www.iahssaa.org/resources/media/wrestling-virtual-interviews.

PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

- By attending this state championship event with an IHSAA approved credential, you are agreeing to abide by professional journalism practices. Cheering is not permitted on the arena floor. Credentials and access may not be shared with coaches, parents, friends, children, etc. Photographers may not show participants or officials images while a match is still in progress. Do not enter locker rooms or student-athlete areas outside of interview spaces. **Masks are required of all attendees in 2021.** Thank you.