# IH<sub>SAA</sub>

# 2023 IHSAA State Wrestling Championships



February 15-18, Wells Fargo Arena, Des Moines

### MEDIA INFORMATION

## **MEDIA ACCESS**

- **Entry:** Media members should register in advance of the event through the IHSAA website. Entry each day will be through the VIP/Media doors on the NW corner of Wells Fargo Arena. Once checked in, media members should take the elevator downstairs to the NW tunnel entry.
- **Credentials:** Media members should display the IHSAA's 2022-23 green credential if they have it. If they do not have the 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 media work rooms are available in the NW corner of the floor level of Wells Fargo Arena. Do not send large files over the 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 provided unless otherwise requested in advance.

#### VIDEO COVERAGE

- **How to Watch:** The Iowa High School Sports Network is using FloWrestling to broadcast every match of the State Duals and Traditional Tournament. Semifinals and finals will be broadcast free through IHSSN's TV and streaming options. More: <a href="https://www.ihssn.com">www.ihssn.com</a>.
- **Video Policies:** IHSSN rules and regulations apply for newspaper, radio, and television outlets seeking to post video clips from state tournament events. For more information: <a href="https://www.ihssn.com/media-resources">www.ihssn.com/media-resources</a>.
- Due to these policies, live streaming of matches is prohibited.

#### **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.

# PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

- By attending this state championship event with an IHSAA approved credential, you are agreeing to abide by professional journalism practices.
- Cheering and demonstrative behavior are 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.

Thank you for your coverage and interest in lowa high school activities.