



## WALTON-VERONA BEARCATS HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

### *A Tradition of Excellence*

28 REGION CHAMPIONS

91 STATE QUALIFIERS

42 STATE PLACERS

2 GIRLS STATE PLACERS

9 STATE CHAMPIONS

February 22, 2023

It's State Final Round week! The Bearcats battled through a tough semi-state round last weekend finishing 5<sup>th</sup> overall as a team (out of 50 teams) and qualifying 5 wrestlers to compete for a state championship at George Rogers Clark High School on Friday and Saturday. Individual semi-state results on the day:

106lbs – 8<sup>th</sup> grader Brennan East went 0-2 on the day losing to #19 Francisco (Great Crossing) and #25 Kinley (Madison Central)

120lbs – Sophomore TJ Meyer went 4-0 on his way to the title beating #23 Menchaca (Harrison County), #28 Dewire (Johnson Central), #4 Condi (Frederick Douglas), and #5 Davis (Grant County)

132lbs – Junior TJ Sulfsted went 2-3 on the day to finish 8<sup>th</sup> losing twice to #11 Nardelli (Madison Central) and to #19 Heisler (Campbell County) with wins over #18 Crump (Tates Creek) and #25 Franks (Grant County)

138lbs – Senior Hunter Isaacs went 4-0 on his way to the title beating #UR Moncrief (Frederick Douglas), #24 Carey (Boyle County), #12 Herbst (Madison Central), and #8 McDonald (Taylor County)

144lbs – Senior Mason Schweitzer went 4-0 on his way to the title beating #UR Bradley (Montgomery County), #12 Karr (Wayne County), #14 Barnes (Johnson Central), #6 Begley (Madison Southern)

175lbs – Sophomore Ben Walton went 0-2 on the day losing to #7 White (Harrison County) and #UR Hurley (Belfry)

215lbs – Sophomore Luke Hyden went 4-1 on the day to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> losing only to #2 Price (Johnson Central) with wins over #UR Johnson (Floyd Central), #15 Solis (Great Crossing), #17 Mills (Scott), and #13 Christian (Ashland Blazer)

285lbs – Junior Ben Teipe went 1-2 on the day beating #30 Williams (Ashland Blazer) and losing to #26 Simmons (Tates Creek) and #12 Adkins (Johnson Central)

You can follow the guys at state on trackwrestling at the following link on Friday and Saturday:

<https://www.trackwrestling.com/predefinedtournaments/MainFrame.jsp?newSession=false&TIM=1676854517651&pageName=%2Fpredefinedtournaments%2FTournamentHub.jsp&twSessionId=ygvqirizjn>

Heading into the State Final Round the following Bearcat wrestlers are qualified and will be competing this weekend (record on the season):

2<sup>nd</sup> @ 120 lbs: Sophomore TJ Meyer (38-2) – region and semi-state champ

15<sup>th</sup> @ 132 lbs: Junior TJ Sulfsted (30-14) – region runner-up and semi-state 8<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> @ 138 lbs: Senior Hunter Isaacs (29-1) – region champ and semi-state champ

1<sup>st</sup> @ 144 lbs: Senior Mason Schweitzer (37-5) – region champ and semi-state champ

9<sup>th</sup> @ 215 lbs: Sophomore Luke Hyden (32-11) – region champ and semi-state 3<sup>rd</sup>

Stay tuned for information on home meets and updates on rankings, schedules, and results! Follow us on social media:

Twitter (@WV\_Wrestling1) and Instagram (@wv\_bearcats\_wrestling)

#### **WALTON-VERONA ALUMNI ON THE COLLEGE MATS**



Isaac Thornton (class of 2022) – Indiana University (133 pounds), first year, taking a redshirt year in '22-'23



Zach Watson (class of 2022) – Thomas More University (197 pounds), first year



Spencer Moore (class of 2021) – University of North Carolina (125 pounds), finished 4<sup>th</sup> at the 2022 ACC Championships as a true freshman; will be taking a redshirt year in '22-'23



Daulton Mayer (class of 2020) – Thomas More University (285 pounds), third year, 2x NAIA National All American, currently ranked #7 in the nation



Ryan Moore (class of 2018) – Thomas More University (transfer - Cornell University) (149 pounds), 2x NAIA National Runner-up, currently ranked #1 in the nation