



## WALTON-VERONA BEARCATS HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

### *A Tradition of Excellence*

24 REGION CHAMPIONS

83 STATE QUALIFIERS

42 STATE PLACERS

1 GIRLS STATE PLACER

9 STATE CHAMPIONS

January 5, 2023

The Bearcats finished 2022 off with a solid showing at the GMVWA Holiday tournament. This huge tournament (65 teams) gives the team a real test as we head into the new year and generally is a great indication of which guys are ready to challenge for a spot on the podium at state. With our lineup starting to take shape and guys getting into their final weight classes for the end of the season, the Bearcats finished 8<sup>th</sup> overall and 6<sup>th</sup> in the small school division after two days of action. Individual finishes:

Aiden Svec (113 lbs) – 0-2  
TJ Meyer (120 lbs) – 1<sup>st</sup> place  
TJ Sulfsted (132 lbs) – 4-2  
Mason Schweitzer (144 lbs) – 4<sup>th</sup> place  
Liam Bird (150 lbs) – 0-2  
Tyler Kennedy (157 lbs) – 2-2  
Ben Walton (165 lbs) – 4-2  
Luke Hyden (215 lbs) – 4<sup>th</sup> place

We host the first “post” season event of the year; the state dual meet qualifier this weekend. After 3 weeks of individual bracket style tournaments, the sectionals are a dual format event where every wrestler on the team plays a huge role in team success. Our sectional will be a round robin event with Covington Catholic, Holmes, Newport, and Louisville Western. Action will kick off at WVHS about 9:30am.

The following Bearcat wrestlers are ranked in the top 30 of their weight class as the team is ranked #9 in the state (record on the season):

16<sup>th</sup> @ 106 lbs: 8<sup>th</sup> Grader Brennan East (1-1)

1<sup>st</sup> @ 120 lbs: Sophomore TJ Meyer (17-1)

12<sup>th</sup> @ 132 lbs: Junior TJ Sulfsted (12-6)

4<sup>th</sup> @ 138 lbs: Senior Hunter Isaacs (7-1)

3<sup>rd</sup> @ 144 lbs: Senior Mason Schweitzer (14-5)

29<sup>th</sup> @ 157 lbs: Sophomore Tyler Kennedy (8-7)

20<sup>th</sup> @ 165 lbs: Sophomore Ben Walton (11-6)

7<sup>th</sup> @ 215 lbs: Sophomore Luke Hyden (15-6)

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