

## 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 13, 2023

The Bearcats dominated the 2023 Sectional tournament last weekend. Fighting off illness and injuries, our short-staffed lineup showed up big time to go 4-0 on the day and advance to the state duals; likely qualify as a very high seed in the championship event. The State Dual Championships will take place at Nelson County High School on February 28. Sectional dual results:

WV 72, Newport 6 WV 49, Covington Catholic 12 WV 66, Louisville Western 12 WV 52, Holmes 24

This weekend we will compete in our last varsity tournament of the season prior to the post season as we travel to Georgetown for the Great Crossing Warhawk Classic. This will be a tough late season opportunity to see some of the best in state competition before the state series begins in February. Top teams in the 23 team field are: #4 Great Crossing, #6 Oldham County, #18 Moore, #19 Harrison County, #21 Woodford County, #26 North Hardin, #27 Louisville Male, and #30 Highlands.

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):

15<sup>th</sup> @ 106 lbs: 8<sup>th</sup> Grader Brennan East (5-1)

2<sup>nd</sup> @ 120 lbs: Sophomore TJ Meyer (21-1)

10<sup>th</sup> @ 132 lbs: Junior TJ Sulfsted (16-6)

3<sup>rd</sup> @ 138 lbs: Senior Hunter Isaacs (10-1)

3<sup>rd</sup> @ 144 lbs: Senior Mason Schweitzer (18-5)

29th @ 157 lbs: Sophomore Tyler Kennedy (12-7)

18th @ 165 lbs: Sophomore Ben Walton (15-6)

8<sup>th</sup> @ 215 lbs: Sophomore Luke Hyden (17-7)

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



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