

WALTON-VERONA BEARCATS HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

A Tradition of Excellence

January 13, 2022

After a solid showing over the holiday break in tough tournament action, the young Bearcats squad jumped right back in the fire with our Sectional Championship. The top two team in each sectional qualify for the state dual championships later this month. We competed in a round robin with Covington Catholic, Holmes, Scott, and Harrison County. Dual meet results were:

WV 57, Holmes 18

WV 49, Covington Catholic 24

Harrison County 44, WV 35

WV 67, Scott 6

In a back and forth battle with Harrison County where we jumped out to a 29-0 lead, the team came up just a bit short to finish second in the sectional. But we will advance to the state dual championship at the end of January to clash with the top 12 small schools in the state.

This Saturday we jump back into tournament action at the Warhawk Classic at Great Crossing High School. This event will feature a number of highly ranked teams including #4 Paducah Tilghman, #8 Woodford County, #14 Great Crossing, and #19 Larue County. There will be a number of potential state championship previews taking place in Georgetown this weekend (see weight descriptions below).

These 9 Bearcats are ranked in the top 25 of their weight class as the team is ranked #9 in the state (record):

24th @ 113 lbs: Freshman CJ Holt (12-11) – CJ had a solid showing over the break making the podium at SWOWCA

2nd @ 120 lbs: Freshman TJ Meyer (15-3) – TJ placed at both SWOWCA and GMVWA; this week at the Warhawk Classic he could face #1 Whorton (Larue Co) and #7 Johns (Woodford Co)

19th @ 126 lbs: Sophomore TJ Sulfsted (12-4) – solid opportunities ahead for TJ with #5 Benner (Great Crossing) and #15 Yost (Woodford Co) in his bracket at Great Crossing this week

2nd @ 132 lbs: Senior Isaac Thornton (17-1) – champion at SWOWCA and losing a hearbreaker in the finals of GMVWA 1-0 to 3-time state champ Thomas (Ryle), Isaac also got varsity win #100 over the holiday; could face #5 Frazier (Paducah Tilghman), #10 Roberts (Great Crossing), and #14 Metcalf (Larue Co) this weekend

12th @ 138 lbs: Junior Hunter Isaacs (13-6) – made the podium at both SWOWCA and GMVWA; another possible top matchup at the Warhawk with #1 Peyton (Paducah Tilghman) and #9 @ 144 Shaddix (Great Crossing)

4th @ 144 lbs: Junior Mason Schweitzer (20-5) – made the podium at GMVWA; the match we expected to see at the Raider Rumble could play out this weekend with #3 Andreoni (Woodford Co)

24th @ 165 lbs: Freshman Ben Walton (8-5) – another chance to challenge a top wrestler in #9 James (Paducah Tilghman)

14th @ 190 lbs: Freshman Luke Hyden (11-4) – could face #7 Mooney (Paducah Tilghman) and #9 @ 215 Lambert (Larue Co) at Great Crossing this weekend

20th @ 215 lbs: Senior Zach Watson (9-6) – tough competition this weekend with #2 Geilear (Woodford Co) and #10 Rayburn (West Carter)

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

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