

Here is a look at the Butler Wrestling Team in 2015-16!

2015-2016 Team Highlights

- 2015-16 Dual Record: 15W-8L. The combined record the last six seasons is 143W-39L.
- Section 3A 3rd place, Section 3 5th place, WPIAL Team Tournament qualifier 9 years in a row.
- Final WPIAL AAA ranking of #15, wrestled duals against 11 teams ranked in top 20 in WPIAL.
- Defeated Section 3B Fox Chapel in a play-in match 36-24 to make the WPIAL Tournament.
- Defeated Montour at home 55-20 to advance to1st round versus Kiski.
- Eliminated from WPIAL Tournament by WPIAL #3 & State Qualifier, Kiski 58-15.
- Chartiers-Houston Tournament 3rd place, 28 teams. S. Fayette 197, Peters Township 157.5, Butler Area 130.5.
- Southmoreland Holiday Classic Tournament 2nd place, 32 teams, Greenville 186.5 Butler Area 170.
- Clearfield Duals 5th place, 9 teams Butler 3W-2L.
- William Jenkins Duals 3rd place, 8 Teams Butler 3W-2L, Lost to Greater Latrobe 48-18 and Penn Trafford 33-33 on Criteria (H) total of most 1st points scored.
- The team will return 12 of 14 starters in the 2016-2017 season.
- Coach Stoner has 319 wins and 153 losses, and is 4th in wins among active coaches, and 10th on the WPIAL all-time list.

2015-16 Individual Highlights

- 2015-16 Team qualified 7 individuals for AAA WPIAL Individual Tournament, 6 of the 7 WPIAL Qualifiers will return in the 2016-17 season.
- Butler had 4 individual finalist at the Section 3 Individual Championships. Caleb Baxter 152 pounds, Christian Sequete 170 pounds, and Saavon Mosby 220 pounds all claimed their first section titles. Scott Dietrich 138 pounds placed as a runner-up.
- Jack Codispot qualified for the WPIAL Tournament by placing 3rd at 120 pounds in the section. Justin Johnson placed 4th at 182 pounds, and Seth McCrea placed 5th at 285 pounds to advance to the WPIAL Tournament.
- Caleb Baxter reached the finals in all three individual tournaments this season and won both the Chartiers Houston Tournament and the Section 3 Tournament by fall in the 1st period.
- Junior Caleb Baxter led the team at the Chartiers Houston Tournament by recording a fall in the first period of the final to claim the 152 pound title. Also placing for the Golden Tornado were Christian Sequete 3rd at 170, Justin Johnson 3rd at 195, Braydon Hoffman 6th at 106 and Hank Finan 6th at 160.
- Senior Justin Johnson paced the team at the Southmoreland Holiday Classic by recording a fall at just :10 seconds of the first period. 152-pounder Caleb Baxter also reach the finals but came up short and came away with a 2nd place finish. Also placing for Butler were Christian Sequete 3rd at 170, Saavon Mosby 4th at 220, Jack Codispot 7th at 120, Tom Greaves 7th at 182, and Scott Dietrich 8th at 138.
- The combined record for the five graduating seniors was 51W-41L. The most significant losses to next season's line-up were Justin Johnson (29-9) and Hank Finan (17-16). Johnson was the only senior to qualify for the WPIAL Individual Tournament.
- Only 5 wrestlers reached 20 or more wins, Sequete (34), Baxter (30), Johnson (29), Scott Dietrich (24) and Mosby (21).
- Junior Scott Dietrich moved his career mark to 80 wins placing him in position to be Butler's next 100 match winner.

- Sophomore Christian Sequete led the team in season victories with 34. Sequete's has 49 career wins after missing almost a month of competition his freshmen year due to a knee injury. Christian also had the team's best win/loss %. With a 34W-7L record he had a winning percentage of 82.9. he also led the team in pins with 19 and was awarded the team's Co-Outstanding Wrestler Award
- Senior Justin Johnson led the team in takedowns with 63. Justin placed 3rd at Chartiers Houston, 1st at Southmoreland, both at 195 pounds and dropped to 182 for the section tournament and placed 4th qualifying for the WPIAL Tournament for his second year. Johnson recorded 60 wins for the Golden Tornado and was a three-year starter and letter winner. Justin received the team's Darkhorse Award.
- Junior Scott Dietrich went 24W 10 L on the season and reached the Section 3 finals for the second consecutive year. Dietrich is an 80 match winner over three seasons, a 3x WPIAL qualifier, and a 3 year letter winner.
- Junior Caleb Baxter was awarded the Team's "Dark Horse Award" Caleb won his first section title at 152 pounds with a fall in the first period over a returning state qualifier. Caleb also won the Chartiers Houston Tournament with a fall in the finals and places second place finish at the Southmoreland Holiday Classic. Caleb along with Sophomore Christian Sequete will share the team's Outstanding Wrestler Award!
- Hank Finan was awarded the team's "Outstanding Character Award". On the mat, Hank placed 6th at 160 pounds at Chartiers Houston and recorded a fall to secure a come from behind 30-24 dual victory versus McGuffey. Off the mat, Hank has strong character traits that separate him from many others.
- Of the three freshmen that started on this year's team both Jack Codispot, 18-13 at 120 pounds and Saavon Mosby 21-15 at 220 both qualified for the WPIAL tournament and also place in 1 other tournament. Mosby won the team's Outstanding Newcomer and Codispot won the team's Pride, Attitude and Guts award.
- While the success of next year's team will fall on the shoulders of all team members, the following improved through this season and will be paramount to next year's dual meet success. Isaiah Christy 106 pounds 15 W -14 L, Sam Dietrich 132 pounds 16 W-15 L, Tom Greaves 182 pounds 12 W 12 L, Justin Stewart 138 pounds 5 W 7 L, and Seth McCrea 220-285 pounds 16-11.
- There were 19 wrestlers on the roster in 2014-15, there were 5 seniors, 5 juniors, 6 sophomores, & 3 freshmen.
- In 2015-16 five Butler wrestling alumni wrestled at the collegiate level. They are as follows: Zach Reges (Gannon), Nick Sutton (Thiel), Cole Baxter (Kent State), Blake Caudill (Eastern Michigan) and Korey Caudill (Gannon).