

**SDHSAA WRESTLING NEWSLETTER**  
**2019-20 SEASON**  
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SDHSAA WRESTLING COACHES & OFFICIALS –

Greetings from Pierre! This year's second newsletter follows with some basic information for you to read through. Take a quick look at the information enclosed and certainly let me know if there's other items you'd like included in the future or that would be "good for the cause."

Thanks!

**REGULAR SEASON SCHEDULES**

To help with the seeding process for duals, ALL Dual results must be entered into our **SDHSAA.com** website. In the "School Zone" section – the same place where you view meetings and take exams – is a link to your schedule. After each dual, please ensure the score is reported.

If you participate in a Dual Tournament, be sure to go in after the tournament is completed, create a listing of each team that you competed in a dual against, and enter the score for each.

Note that several schools are "behind" on this task and need to get caught up ASAP.

**COMMONLY FAQ VIDEOS & OFFICIALS' INSTRUCTION**

The NFHS recently completed six videos on "hot topic" items and interpretations within NFHS Wrestling Rules. Please take a moment and review each (note that some of the navigation on the NFHS site does not work, but these six, direct links to the videos does):

- Out-of-Bounds Situations:  
<https://nfhslearn.com/library/videos/officiating-wrestling-a-variety-of-new-out-of-bounds-situations>
- Offensive Stalling:  
<https://nfhslearn.com/library/videos/officiating-wrestling-offensive-stalling>
- Defensive Stalling:  
<https://nfhslearn.com/library/videos/officiating-wrestling-defensive-stalling>
- Neutral Stalling:  
<https://nfhslearn.com/library/videos/officiating-wrestling-neutral-stalling>
- Fleeing the Mat:  
<https://nfhslearn.com/library/videos/officiating-wrestling-fleeing>
- Weigh-In procedure for Female Wrestlers:  
<https://nfhslearn.com/library/videos/officiating-wrestling-weigh-in-check-for-a-female-wrestler>

## **CERVICAL/HEAD/NECK/SPINE & INJURY TIMEOUTS**

From what I have seen/heard/observed, I believe we are handling this change well this year. I do have one additional situation that I'd offer for you to consider.

Situation 1 – Wrestler A is injured by Wrestler B. Coach of Wrestler A requests head/neck/cervical time be used as opposed to recovery time. What is the ruling?

**Ruling:** The entirety of this ruling is dictated now by the action that led to the apparent injury.

- If, in the officials' judgement the action that caused Wrestler A to become injured was \*legal action\* by Wrestler B and not a slam or illegal/hold or maneuver, injury time and/or Head/Neck time shall be used to determine if Wrestler A could continue.
- If, in the officials' judgement the action that caused Wrestler A to become injured was \*illegal\* in nature, ONLY the two minutes of recovery time could be used, and cannot be extended by the Head/Neck five-minute timeout.

## **REGION REMINDER – 5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> PLACE**

As of 10 AM today, TrackWrestling has been updated with brackets for region tournaments that account for our voted change to place six at regions. No medals will be awarded for 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>, but the NFHS Scoring for a six-place event will be applied at regions for placing. Once all regions are complete, those individuals who placed 5<sup>th</sup> at their region will be seeded against one another, with the top seed being named "alternate" for the State Tournament Individual Bracket.

NOTE: It is against SDHSAA By-Law to provide awards outside of what is allowed by SDHSAA Board of Directors approval. Please do not vary from this.

Thanks all!

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