Two hundred twenty-four (224) wrestlers in all, 16 in each of the 14 weight classes, will begin first round competition on Friday at 6 pm ET / 5 pm CT. First-round winners will return to wrestle on Saturday with quarterfinal action beginning at 9:30 am ET / 8:30 am CT and semifinal matches to follow after all weight classes have concluded. Consolation bouts begin at 5 pm ET and championship matches under the spotlight are scheduled for 7:30 pm ET.

Team scoring will begin with Friday night’s preliminary matches. Scoring, per National Federation (NFHS) rules, will go to eight places and, additionally, two (2) advancement points will be awarded per match for a championship bracket victory while one (1) point is earned for advancement in the consolation bracket.

Finally, points will be awarded to the top eight place-winners: 1st place: 16 points; 2nd place: 12 points; 3rd place: 9 points; 4th place: 7 points; 5th place: 5 points; 6th place: 3 points; 7th place: 2 points; 8th place: 1 point.

Five defending or former state champions, including four seniors, are part of this year’s field with the goal of adding a second state title to their resume this weekend. Heavyweight Dorian Keys of Brownsburg (42-0) is one of 16 undefeated competitors this season after winning last year’s big man weight class as a junior. Roncalli senior Alec Viduya (41-0) is unbeaten at 145 having won the 113 pound class as a freshman and finishing as runner-up last year at 132.

Other returning champs include: sophomore Jesse Mendez of Crown Point (36-1) at 132, last year’s champ at 126; senior Elliott Rodgers of Indianapolis Cathedral (38-3) at 160, last year’s champ at 152 and the 2018 runner-up at 152 and; senior Silas Allred (35-0) at 195, the defending champ in that class.

Defending State Champion Indianapolis Cathedral is the two-time defending state champion after winning the school’s third wrestling crown last year. The third-ranked Fighting Irish are coached by Sean McGinley and boast three semi-state champions of their nine participants this weekend.
NOTABLES

- One hundred thirteen (113) schools will be represented at this weekend’s state finals with Evansville Mater Dei leading the way with nine qualifiers followed by Chesterton, Crown Point and two-time defending state champion Indianapolis Cathedral with eight each. Crown Point leads the state with five semi-state champions with Brownsburg, Chesterton, Evansville Mater Dei, Indianapolis Cathedral, Perry Meridian and Roncalli tallying three each. A total of 310 schools and 5,529 were entered into this year’s state tournament at the sectional level.

- **State Champions in the Field (5)**
  132: Jesse Mendez (10) Crown Point | 2019 champ at 126
  145: Alec Viduya (12) Roncalli | 2017 champ at 113; 2019 runner-up at 132
  160: Elliott Rodgers (12) Indianapolis Cathedral | 2019 champ at 152; 2018 runner-up at 152
  195: Silas Allred (12) Shenandoah | 2019 champ at 195
  285: Dorian Keys (12) Indianapolis Central | 2019 runner-up at 120

- **State Runners-Up in the Field (6)**
  113: Alex Cotney (11) Perry Meridian | 2018, 2019 runner-up at 106
  120: Zeke Seltzer (10) Indianapolis Cathedral | 2019 runner-up at 113
  126: Ray Rioux (12) Avon | 2019 runner-up at 126
  138: Blake Boarman (11) Evansville Mater Dei | 2019 runner-up at 120
  160: Cooper Noehre (12) Greenfield-Central | 2019 runner-up at 152
  170: Clayton Fielden (12) Garrett | 2019 runner-up at 170

- **Undefeated Wrestlers in the Field (16)**
  106: Bryce Lowery (9) Roncalli (36-0)
  120: Zeke Seltzer (10) Indianapolis Cathedral (39-0)
  126: Dylan Stroud (10) Manchester (39-0)
  145: Alec Viduya (12) Roncalli (41-0)
  152: Brock Ellis (11) Chesterton (46-0)
  152: Garrett Stockman (12) Wawasee (16-0)
  152: Bricelyn Coleman (12) Warren Central (43-0)
  152: Logan Boe (12) Danville (39-0)
  160: Isaiah Levitz (12) Prairie Heights (40-0)
  170: Graham Calhoun (12) Plymouth (43-0)
  195: Silas Allred (12) Shenandoah (35-0)
  195: Jacob LaPlace (12) Mishawaka (42-0)
  220: Cale Gray (12) Norwell (33-0)
  220: Drew Webster (12) North Montgomery (41-0)
  285: Logan Swallow (12) Monroe Central (44-0)
  285: Dorian Keys (12) Brownsburg (42-0)

- **2020 Sectional Championship Teams (32)**
  Bellmont, Bloomington South, Brownsburg, Carmel, Castle, Centerville, Chesterton, Columbus East, Crown Point, Delta, East Central, East Noble, Evansville Mater Dei, Floyd Central, Fort Wayne Snider, Franklin Community, Garrett, Harrison (West Lafayette), Hobart, Indianapolis Cathedral, Jeffersonville, Merrillville, Mishawaka, Northridge, Oak Hill, Pendleton Heights, Perry Meridian, Rensselaer Central, Wabash, Warren Central, Wawasee, Zionsville.

- **2020 Regional Championship Teams (16)**
  Bellmont, Brownsburg, Carmel, Columbus East, Crown Point, East Central, Evansville Mater Dei, Garrett, Harrison (West Lafayette), Indianapolis Cathedral, Merrillville, Mishawaka, Northridge, Terre Haute South Vigo, Warren Central, Western.

- **2020 Semi-State Championship Teams (4)**
  Crown Point, Evansville Mater Dei, Indianapolis Cathedral, Western.

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MICHAEL GOLANDO NAMED OUTSTANDING WRESTLING OFFICIAL

The late Michael D. Golando of Valparaiso is the recipient of the 2020 Interscholastic Athletic Official Award for excellence in the sport of wrestling.

Each year, the Indiana High School Athletic Association, in cooperation with the National Federation of Interscholastic Officials Association, recognizes and honors an outstanding official in each sport during the school year. Officials selected for this distinction have gone above and beyond to serve their association, community, and the IHSAA. Each have shown exceptional qualities of leadership, dedication, and loyalty to their sport, our student-athletes, and their fellow officials.

Golando had been selected to be honored with this year’s award before passing away unexpectedly in October.

Michael was the assistant wrestling coach at Valparaiso University, an NCAA wrestling official, and a table worker at the Big Ten, MAC, and NCAA Wrestling Tournaments. He was a licensed official for 42 years, and had worked 38 sectionals, 25 regionals, 19 semi-states, and eight (8) state finals assignments. He was a member of the Calumet Officials Association, served as that group’s vice president since 2014 and also volunteered for the IHSAA’s Sportsmanship Task Force.

Golando was a 1977 graduate of Valparaiso High School and later graduated from the John Marshall Law School at the University of Illinois-Chicago in 2007.

Michael was selected for this honor by a committee representing the officials associations. In Indiana there are 24 associations made up of men and women who assist in providing wholesome, worthwhile, and healthy activities for the student athletes in our state. Statewide, there are more than 6,000 officials licensed by the IHSAA in 18 sports.

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2019-20 IHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

FALL SPORTS
Oct. 4-5
GIRLS GOLF
Prairie View Golf Club, Carmel
Team: Homestead
Individual: Faith Johnson, Evansville North

Oct. 18-19
BOYS TEAM TENNIS
North Central HS, Indianapolis
Team: Carmel

Oct. 19
UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL
Grand Park Sports Event Center, Westfield
Team: Mooresville

Oct. 25-26
BOYS SINGLES & DOUBLES
Park Tudor HS, Indianapolis
Singles: Uday Lomada, Carmel
Doubles: Presley Thieneman & Jones

Nov. 1-2
BOYS & GIRLS SOCCER
Fishers HS, Fishers
Class A Girls: Park Tudor
Class A Boys: Argos
Class 2A Girls: Evansville Mater Dei
Class 2A Boys: Evansville Memorial
Class 3A Girls: Noblesville
Class 3A Boys: Zionsville

Nov. 2
BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
LaVern Gibson Course, Terre Haute
Girls Team: Carroll (Fort Wayne)
Girls Indiv: Erin Strzelecki, FW Dwenger
Boys Team: Fort Wayne Concordia Luth.
Boys Indiv: Gabe Sanchez, Lowell

Nov. 9
VOLLEYBALL
@ Worthen Arena, Ball State Univ, Muncie
Class A: Cowan
Class 2A: Heritage Christian
Class 3A: Brownstown Central
Class 4A: New Castle

Nov. 24-25
FOOTBALL
Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis
Class A: Lafayette Central Catholic
Class 2A: Western Boone
Class 3A: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard
Class 4A: Evansville Memorial
Class 5A: New Palestine
Class 6A: Carmel

WINTER SPORTS
Feb. 14-15
GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING
@ IU Natatorium, IUPUI, Indianapolis
Team: Carmel

Feb. 21-22
WRESTLING
Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

Feb. 28-29
BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING
IU Natatorium, IUPUI, Indianapolis

Feb. 29
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

March 14
GYMNASTICS
Worthen Arena, Ball State University, Muncie

March 28
BOYS BASKETBALL
Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

SPRING SPORTS
June 5
GIRLS TRACK & FIELD
Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington

June 6
UNIFIED TRACK & FIELD
Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington

June 6
BOYS TRACK & FIELD
Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington

June 5-6
GIRLS TEAM TENNIS
North Central HS, Indianapolis

June 12-13
GIRLS SINGLES & DOUBLES
Park Tudor HS, Indianapolis

June 12-13
SOFTBALL
Bittinger Stadium, Purdue University, West Lafayette

June 16-17
BOYS GOLF
Prairie View Golf Club, Carmel

June 19-20
BASEBALL
Victory Field, Indianapolis

MEDIA INFORMATION
TOURNAMENT ADMINISTRATOR: Robert Faulkens, Assistant Commissioner

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: Brandon Taylor

MEDIA CREDENTIALS: Deadline is Thursday, Feb. 20, 2020 at 4 pm ET / 3 pm CT. Please note that the 2019-20 IHSAA State Finals Media Credential will NOT allow admission to this event as a specific credential is required – no exceptions. Legitimate working news media should apply for credentials by e-mailing (with name of individual applying) IHSAA Sports Information Director Jason Wille at jwille@ihsaa.org. E-mail requests MUST originate from a recognized business account; e-mails from personal accounts (i.e.: gmail.com, yahoo.com, etc.) will not be accepted. Approved requests will be left to claim by the individual (ID required) at media will-call at Bankers Life Fieldhouse beginning at 3 pm ET / 2 pm CT on Friday.

NO CHILDREN, PLEASE: With the exception of high school students representing their school’s newspaper, yearbook, radio or television station, and who have a team participating, no young people or children will be issued media credentials or be allowed in the working media area.

MEDIA PARKING: There is no designated parking area for media for this event though there are numerous parking options within a short distance of Bankers Life Fieldhouse. The Virginia Street parking garage, which charges a fee, is directly to the east of the venue.

MEDIA ENTRANCE: The media entrance is in the southeast corner of Bankers Life Fieldhouse adjacent to Delaware Street. The door is marked for Employees and Media and is located at the opposite end of the building from the public entrance. Please allow a few extra minutes to pass through security. Media credentials left at will-call are to be claimed at this entrance beginning at 3 pm ET / 2 pm CT.

MEDIA WORK ROOM: The media workroom at Bankers Life Fieldhouse will be open both days and be available to working media members throughout Friday evening and all day on Saturday. The work area contains complimentary wireless internet access. Hospitality will be available.

WIRELESS ACCESS, ETHERNET LINES: Complimentary wireless service is provided for all attending media. Please access the “BLF Wifi” wireless signal. No login or password is required. Hard-wired Ethernet lines are available at cost by contacting Wendel Dunham (wdunham@pacers.com).

MAT ACCESS: During the championship round on Saturday night, credentialed photographers will be allowed to shoot action behind the A-frame sponsor ads on the east side (opposite the scorers table). Other than that, only participants, coaches, officials and fieldhouse workers will have access to the mat area.

PROGRAMS: Copies of the official program containing brackets for each weight class and tournament history will be available in the Media Work Room.

RESULTS: Will be updated continuously throughout both days of the tournament via TrackWrestling.com. Copies of the updated brackets will also be available in the media work room throughout the two days.

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FINAL WRESTLING POWER POLL
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1. Evansville Mater Dei 108
2. Crown Point 87
3. Indianapolis Cathedral 79
4. Brownsburg 66
5. Perry Meridian 51
6. Chesterton 47
7. Roncalli 46
7. Warren Central 46
9. Floyd Central 44
10. Mishawaka 43
11. Avon 41
12. East Central 28
13. Carmel 26
13. Harrison (West Lafayette) 26
15. Castle 25
16. Plymouth 22
16. Shenandoah 22
18. Merrillville 21
18. Western 21
20. Hamilton Southeastern 20