

# The 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual



**Illinois Wrestling Coaches  
and Officials Association**

**IWCOA CONVENTION & AWARDS  
PRESENTATION**

**Sunday April 27, 2025**

**Double Tree by Hilton**

**5000 W. 127<sup>th</sup> St. Alsip, IL 60803**

# The Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association (IWCOA)

## President's Greeting

Dear Wrestling Community,

Thank you for attending the 53rd annual IWCOA Lifetime Service Awards & Hall of Fame Banquet to celebrate our best in the Illinois wrestling community. Over the past year, the executive board of the Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association and its committees have worked hard to promote wrestling. Here are some highlights:

- The IWCOA once again organized and supported the annual Boys Freshman and Sophomore and Girls State Tournament Series, as well as the inaugural Girls Dual Team State Tournament
- The IWCOA supported the Midwest Nationals and the Preseason Midwest Nationals.
- The IWCOA worked with the University of Illinois in the fall in a co-sponsored Illinois State Coaches Clinic.
- The IWCOA worked diligently to recruit, license and train wrestling officials across the state with preseason in-person clinics and in-season weekly webinars.
- The IWCOA supported the Ken Gerdes III Memorial Foundation which continues to provide leadership awards to high school seniors demonstrating excellence in leadership and service within their communities and provides financial support to many Illinois native wrestlers who pursue championships at the World and Olympic levels.

However, the highlight of the year for the IWCOA is why we are gathered here today. Your achievements, leadership, and contributions to the greatest sport on earth sets the standard of excellence. Each of you has committed to the highest levels of wrestling and you continue to give back to the sport we all love. Congratulations to our Lifetime Service honorees, our new Hall of Fame inductees and our winners of our Wrestlers, Coaches, Administrators, and Newsperson of the Year Award winners.

This year our Person of the Year is not a person, but rather an organization. The Lansdowne Park housing organization, called Lansdowne Up, is a housing development in East St. Louis which, according to their website, "...Aims to be a beacon of hope for the Lansdowne neighborhood in East St. Louis, IL. It's designed to pour energy and life into a neighborhood with amazing potential to spark revival in East St. Louis."

I'm excited to recognize Lansdowne Up and the amazing work they are accomplishing in Illinois.

Our executive board members have invested countless hours of volunteer time supporting events and making award selections. But we continue to need your support to keep moving forward with our mission. If you haven't already, please consider supporting the IWCOA by becoming a member. Please visit <https://iwcoa.net/membership>. Our membership year runs August 15 thru August 14 of the following year. We are proud that we have not increased our membership dues in over 16 years!

I also encourage you to donate to our association as you are able, we are a 501(c)(3) organization, so your donations are tax deductible. Visit <https://iwcoa.net/> and click on the donate now button on the top ribbon, or speak to myself or any of your IWCOA board members.

Again, congratulations to all our award winners and honorees, and to our inductees...welcome to the IWCOA Hall of Fame!!

Yours in Wrestling,

Rob Porter  
IWCOA President

## IWCOA Presidents

1971-72 – Steve Combs, Coach, Deerfield  
1973 – Wayne Miller, Coach, DeKalb  
1976 – Jim Schultz, Coach, Glenbard South  
1977 – George Dyché, Coach, West Aurora  
1978 – Charles Anderson, Coach, Savanna  
1979 – Charles Farina, Coach, East Leyden  
1980 – Tony Parks, Coach, Addison Trail  
1981 – Mark King, Coach, LaGrange  
1982 – Steve Weiss, Coach, Fenton  
1983 – Rick Mann, Coach, Hersey  
1984 – Jim Cartwright, Coach, Conant  
1985 – Bernie Botheroyd, Coach, Glenbard W.  
1986 – Jerry Ancona, Coach, Lake Park  
1987-88 – Tom Heniff, Official, Oak Lawn  
1989 – Mark Gervais, Coach, Marist  
1990-91 – Dan Cliffe, Coach, DeKalb  
1992-93 – Augie Genovesi, Coach, Notre Dame  
1994-95 – Joe Pedersen, Official, Naperville

1996 – Dan Cliffe, Coach, DeKalb  
1997 – Gary Thacker, Coach, Belvidere  
1998-99 – Gary Baum, Coach, Kaneland  
2000-01 – Dan Fulscher, Official, Lincoln  
2002-03 – Mike Manahan, Coach, Stanford  
2004-05 – Mike Wilkey, Official, Oak Park  
2006-07 – Joe Cliffe, Coach, Prairie Central  
2008-09 – Mike Bukovsky, Coach, Montini  
2010-11 – Rob Ledin, Coach, Mahomet-Seymour  
2012-13 – Mike Matozzi, Coach, Hinsdale South  
2014-15 – Rich Montgomery, Coach, Rock Falls  
2016-17 – Rob Murphy, Coach, Wilmington  
2018-19 – Don Mekeel, Official, Sterling  
2020-22 – Roy Snyder, Official, Rochelle  
2022-24 – Nate Kessen, Official, Sugar Grove  
2024-25 – Rob Porter, Naperville

## IWCOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Rob Porter – President, Membership Chair, F/S & Girls State, Girls Wrestling Development**

**Nate Kessen – Immediate Past President, Finance, F/S & Girls State, Officials, Banquet & Banquet Program, Publicity, Ethics, Hall of Fame Selection, Girls Wrestling Development, Gerdes Leadership Award**

**Joe Cliffe – Treasurer, Past President, Midwest Nationals, Banquet, Banquet Program, Classic Dual, Publicity, Finance Chair, Fundraising, Membership, Special Awards Sub-Committee, Hall of Fame Selection Chair, Ethics**

**Tony Clarke – Secretary, Officials Chair, Publicity, Membership, Banquet, Hall of Fame Selection, Girls Wrestling Development**

**Roy Snyder – Past President, Officials Development, Hall of Fame Banquet**

**Rob Murphy – Past President, Banquet Program, Classic Dual, Publicity, Fundraising, Ethics**

**Rich Montgomery – Past President, Hall of Fame Banquet, Classic Dual, Fundraising Chair, Membership, Hall of Fame Selection, Gerdes Leadership Award**

**Mike Bukovsky – Past President, Classic Dual, Hall of Fame Selection, Special Awards Sub-Committee**

**Dan Cliffe – Past President, Membership, Hall of Fame Sub-Committee, Hall of Fame Selection, Ethics**

**Ed Ewoldt – Past President, Historian**

**Augie Genovesi – Past President, Classic Dual Chair, Hall of Fame Selection, Gerdes Leadership Award**

**Rob Ledin – Past President, Midwest Nationals Co-Chair, Publicity, Membership, F/S & Girls State, Hall of Fame Selection, Gerdes Leadership Award**

**Debbie Nason – Gerdes Leadership Award Committee Chair, Banquet, Banquet Program, Fundraising, F/S & Girls State Co-Chair, Hall of Fame Selection, Girls Wrestling Development**

**Mike Wilkey – Past President, Banquet Committee, Officials, Hall of Fame Sub-Committee, Hall of Fame Selection**

**Mike O'Dea – Publicity, Membership, Banquet Program, Banquet, Classic Dual**

**Andy Gardner – F/S & Girls State Co-Chair**

**Matt Moore – F/S & Girls State Co-Chair**

**Scott Richardson – Gerdes Leadership Award Co-Chair, Classic Dual**

**Steve Amy – Membership, Classic Dual**

**Corey Christenson – Midwest Nationals Co-Chair, F/S & Girls State, Classic Dual**

**Eddie Collins – F/S & Girls State, Fundraising, Finance**

**Chris Jordan – Hall of Fame Banquet, Banquet program, Publicity Co-Chair**

**Colleen McGlynn – Girls Wrestling Development, F/S & Girls State, Gerdes Leadership Award**

**Fred Arkin – Girls Wrestling Development Co-Chair, F/S & Girls State, Classic Dual**

**Mick Torres – Publicity Co-Chair, Hall of Fame Banquet**

**Ryan Cumbee – Classic Dual**

**Ray Eickelschulte – Officials, Hall of Fame Selection**

**Mike Elsbury – Classic Dual**

**Mike Pila – Membership**

**Leonel Clark – Girls Wrestling Development, Classic Dual**

## Board Member of the Year

2011 – Joe Cliffe  
2012 – Dan Cliffe  
2013 – Rob Ledin  
2014 – Dan Fulscher  
2015 – Debbie Nason  
2016 – Nate Kessen

2017 – Mike Wilkey  
2018 – Rich Montgomery  
2019 – Mike O’Dea  
2020 – Eddie Collins  
2022– Rob Porter  
2023 –Roy Snyder

2024- Mick Torres  
2025-Augie Genovesi

## 53<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL IWCOA CONVENTION & AWARDS PRESENTATION

Sunday April 27, 2025

### PROGRAM

#### Registration & Social

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

#### Pre-Dinner Awards

3:00 p.m.

#### Opening Remarks

3:30 p.m.

#### Invocation & Dinner

3:45 p.m.

#### Board Member of the Year

#### Person of the Year

#### Lifetime Service Awards

5:00 p.m.

Jeff Bowers  
Dave Durlacher  
Craig Fallico  
Will Gaddy  
Connie Kessen  
Shane Morgan  
Khris Whelan

#### Hall of Fame Inductees

5:30 p.m.

Jason Clay  
Ryan Cumbee  
Nick Fanthorpe  
Mike Grimes  
Chad Hay  
Curt Herron  
Michael Kimberlin  
Doug Klein  
Dr. Dan McDonnell  
Bob McGuinn  
Jason Potter  
Mickey Pruitt  
Sean Reynolds  
Eric Roberson  
Dion Wiley

#### Social

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.



## **Male & Female** **Wrestling Officials Needed**

Have you ever considered becoming a wrestling official? Our sport is in dire need of those with wrestling knowledge to give back thru officiating! Officiating is a great way to stay connected to our sport while giving back. You can also make money for working meets and tournaments. If you are interested, visit the link, or scan the QR Code below and complete the google interest form. You will then be contacted about becoming a wrestling official and provided support to do so.

**<https://tinyurl.com/39mbpcv5>**



For more information visit: **<https://iwcoa.net/officials/>**

# OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

**2025**

**The Criteria for selecting the Official of the Year are as follows:**

1. A Member of the IWCOA
2. Officiated at Sectional Tournament this year

## NOMINEES

Ted Brandon, Canton  
Dan McDonnell, Morris

Dave Fellingner, Chicago  
Blake Ohren, Highland

Russ Henson, Rochelle  
Dion Wiley, Park Forest

## PAST RECIPIENTS

1971 – Tony Barbaro, Chicago  
1972 – Amos Jones, North Chicago  
1973 – George Brown, Rock Island  
1974 – Ken Marlin, Rockford  
1975 – Art Adams, Normal  
1976 – Frank Coniglio, Murphysboro  
1977 – Frank Coniglio, Murphysboro  
1978 – John Swalec, Libertyville  
1979 – Jim Nordin, Oak Park  
1980 – Harold Samorian, Northbrook  
1981 – Ray Cummings, Tolono  
1982 – Jack Leese, Northbrook  
1983 – Ed Luety, Melrose Park  
1984 – Ed Luety, Melrose Park  
1985 – Jack Leese, Northbrook  
1986 – Ed Luety, Melrose Park  
1987 – Dave Mathews, Naperville  
1988 – Bill Shreve, Chesterfield  
1989 – Dave Mathews, Naperville  
1990 – Renny Garshelis, Charleston  
1991 – Tom Heniff, Oak Lawn  
1992 – Greg Cozzi (Co-Winner), Hoffman Estates  
1992 – Ed Luety (Co-Winner), Melrose Park  
1993 – Mike Portincaso, Elmhurst  
1994 – Dan Fulscher, Lincoln  
1995 – Dan Farinosi, Hoffman Estates  
1996 – Tony Clarke, Zion  
1998 – Bill Marquardt, Bloomington  
1999 – Jon Schaus (Co-Winner), Itasca  
1997 – Tom Heniff, Olympia Fields

1999 – Ray Winesburg (Co-Winner), Elgin  
2000 – Mike Wilkey, Oak Park  
2001 – Dave Brost, New Lenox  
2002 – Tim Dodge, Lindenhurst  
2003 – Tom Heniff, (Co-Winner), Olympia Fields  
2003 – Ray Winesburg, (Co-Winner), Elgin  
2004 – Jon Schaus, Itasca  
2005 – Jeff Bowers, Bloomington  
2006 – Ron Coit, Farmer City  
2007 – Jeff Sorensen, Bloomington  
2008 – Greg Anderson, Peoria  
2009 – Shane Morgan, Oswego  
2010 – Tim Dodge, (Co-Winner), Lindenhurst  
2010 – Ray Winesburg, (Co-Winner), Elgin  
2011 – Kris Kamp, Deer Creek  
2012 – Bill Honeycutt, Woodridge  
2013 – Jeff Bowers, Bloomington  
2014 – Don Mekeel, Sterling  
2015 – James Carnahan, Rock Island  
2016 – Roy Snyder, Rochelle  
2017 – Jim Busser, Polo  
2018 – Scott Holbrook, Orion  
2019 – Nate Kessen, Sugar Grove  
2020 – Mike Bondi, Huntley  
2021 – Ray Eickelshulte, Quincy  
2022 – Dave Fellingner, Chicago  
2023 – Derek Ryan, Kankakee  
2024 – Mike Hurckes, Ringwood

***THE IWCOA WOULD ALSO LIKE TO CONGRATULATE DAN MCDONNELL ON HIS SELECTION AS  
THE IHSA WRESTLING OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR, CONGRATS DAN and DAVE!***

# ADMINISTRATORS OF THE YEAR

## 2025 Class 1A.

## 2A.

## 3A.

### The criteria for selecting the Administrator of the Year are as follows:

1. Must have been an Administrator, AD, Principal, etc. in Illinois for 3 years
2. Administrator at the same school for two years
3. Person is an advocate within his school and his community in regards to Wrestling.

## NOMINEES

### Class 1A

Brad Boresi, Coal City  
Heidi Deininger, Oregon  
Kathy Hasson, Taylor Ridge (Rockridge)  
Marc Shaner, Clifton (Central)  
Dan Sheehan, Monticello

### Class 2A

Chad Benedict, Mahomet-Seymour  
Mike Hurley, Chicago (St. Ignatius)  
Matt Manzke, Oak Forest  
David Rohlman, Maple Park (Kaneland)  
Tom Ryerson, Geneseo

### Class 3A

Julia Barthel, Arlington Heights (Hersey)  
Luke Engelhardt, Yorkville  
Ryan Geist, Fox Lake (Grant)  
Nic Kearfott, Normal (Community)  
Lindsey Nissen, Palos Heights (Shepard)  
Andrew Walters, Rockton (Hononegah)

## PAST RECIPIENTS

1991 – Class A – John Cullick, Coal City  
1991 – Class AA – Larry Bernard, Bolingbrook  
1991 – Class AA – Ralph Krupke, Lake Park  
1992 – Class A – Dave Gannaway, U-High, Normal  
1992 – Class AA – Bill Casey, Niles Notre Dame  
1993 – Class A – Neal Pavlus, Byron  
1993 – Class AA – Art Rohlman, DeKalb  
1994 – Class A – Carlin Nalley, Lisle  
1994 – Class AA – Neal McCauley, Naperville  
1995 – Class A – Ken Cummins, Plano  
1995 – Class AA – Dick Kerner, Waubonsie Valley  
1996 – Class A – Marshall Weeks, Sandwich  
1996 – Class AA – Greg Bradley, Mt. Zion  
1997 – Class A – Dan Schmitt, Prairie Central  
1997 – Class AA – Wayne Demarr, St. Charles  
1998 – Class A – Dave Turner, Porta  
1998 – Class AA – John Bauer, Aurora West  
1998 – Class AA – Fran Re, Belvidere  
1999 – Class A – Vern Welp, Oregon  
1999 – Class AA – Tim Albers, Libertyville  
2000 – Class A – Mike Clark, Clinton  
2000 – Class AA – Mike Hennessey, Niles Notre Dame  
2001 – Class A – William Hoecker, Burlington Central  
2001 – Class A – Neal Pavlus, Byron  
2001 – Class AA – Barb Barrows, Neuqua Valley  
2001 – Class AA – Jim Unrath, E. Moline United Township  
2002 – Class A – Rich Montgomery, Rock Falls  
2002 – Class AA – Washington Bush, Conant  
2003 – Class A – Curt Christenson, Normal (U-High)  
2003 – Class AA – Neil McCauley, Naperville  
2004 – Class A – Matt Swick, Wilmington

2013 – Class 1A – Adam Spicer, Wilmington  
2013 – Class 2A – Kevin Crandall, Rochelle  
2013 – Class 3A – Hud Venerable, Lincoln-Way Central  
2014 – Class 1A – Rich Montgomery, Rock Falls  
2014 – Class 2A – Travis Mackey, Geneseo  
2014 – Class 3A – Todd Rosenthal, Moline  
2015 – Class 1A – Jeff Reents, Wilmington  
2015 – Class 2A – Chauncey Carrick, Sycamore  
2015 – Class 3A – Dan Jones, Hinsdale (Central)  
2016 – Class 1A – Dan Hutchings, Coal City  
2016 – Class 2A – Herb Knoblauch, Washington  
2016 – Class 3A – Seth Schoonover, Yorkville  
2017 – Class 1A – Jeff Hill, Petersburg (PORTA)  
2017 – Class 2A – Greg King, Sterling  
2017 – Class 3A – Ted Robbins, New Lenox (Lincoln-Way W.)  
2018 – Class 1A – Dan Beebe, Aurora (Christian)  
2018 – Class 2A – Kevin Crandall, Rochelle  
2018 – Class 3A – Randy Conrad, Franklin Park (Leyden)  
2019 – Class 1A – Tom Smargiassi, Lena-Winslow-Stockton  
2019 – Class 2A – Chauncey Carrick, Sycamore  
2019 – Class 3A – Peter Goff, DeKalb  
2020 – Class 1A – Dan Hutchings, Coal City  
2020 – Class 2A – John Young, Lemont  
2020 – Class 3A – Mike Obsuszt, Barrington  
2022 – Class 1A – Jeff Hill, Petersburg (Porta)  
2022 – Class 2A – Matt Hensley, Mahomet Seymour  
2022 – Class 3A – Dan Jones, Hinsdale (Central)  
2023 – Class 1A – Tim Gipe, Sandwich  
2023 – Class 2A – Herb Knoblauch, Washington  
2023 – Class 3A – Peter Goff, DeKalb  
2024 – Class 1A – Art Stafford, Coal City

2004 – Class AA – Jim Rees, Maine South  
2005 – Class A – Don Riley, Montini  
2005 – Class AA – Rich Fullride, Morton  
2006 – Class A – C.J. “Skip” Tarran, Reed Custer  
2006 – Class AA – Tim Feigh, Hinsdale South  
2006 – Class AA – Randall Konstans, West Aurora  
2007 – Class A – Dan Schmitt, Prairie Central  
2007 – Class AA – Larry Jenkins, Glenbard North  
2008 – Class A – Mike Lootens, Stanford Olympia  
2008 – Class A – Dave Smith, Princeton  
2008 – Class AA – Todd Rosenthal, Moline  
2009 – Class 1A – Kip Crandall, Oregon  
2009 – Class 2A – Dan Cliffe, Burlington  
2009 – Class 3A – Randy Conrad, Leyden  
2010 – Class 1A – Rich Montgomery, Rock Falls  
2010 – Class 2A – Matt Hensley, Mahomet-Seymour  
2010 – Class 3A – Robert Tyrell, Minooka  
2011 – Class 1A – Dan Casillas, Prairie Central  
2011 – Class 2A – Marty Williams, Mahomet-Seymour  
2011 – Class 3A – Matt Bowser, Glenbard North  
2012 – Class 1A – Lon Gerrish, Sandwich  
2012 – Class 2A – Seth Schoonover, Yorkville  
2012 – Class 3A – Bruce Scheidegger, Orland Park (Sandburg)

2024 – Class 2A – Rich Havey, Rochelle  
2024 – Class 3A – Todd Thompson, Moline

## IWCOA PERSON OF THE YEAR

1985 TED DeROUSSE, Antioch  
1986 ED EWOLDT, Wheaton Central  
1987 RICK MANN, Hersey  
1988 LARRY KRISTOFF, SIU-Edwardsville  
1989 ED LUETY, Melrose Park  
1990 CHUCK FARINA, Leyden  
1991 JOE CLIFFE, Plano  
1992 GENE SWIERCZEWSKI, Hoffman Estates  
1993 LARRY GASSEN, Downers Grove South  
1994 LON GERRISH, Sandwich  
1995 JOE PEDERSEN, Naperville  
1997 RON REICHERT & DEBBIE NASON  
1998 STEVE COMBS, Mahomet  
1999 MARK JOHNSON, University of Illinois  
2000 DAN CLIFFE, Burlington Central  
2001 TOM HENIFF, Olympia Fields  
2002 LEO KOCHER, University of Chicago  
2003 DAN FULSCHER, Lincoln  
2004 KEN KRAFT, Northwestern University  
2005 MIKE MANAHAN, Olympia  
2006 GEORGE DYCHE, Aurora West  
2007 MIKE POLZ, Sandburg

2008 DAVE GANNAWAY, IHSA  
2009 JEFF PAPE, Schaumburg  
2010 MIKE BUKOVSKY, Montini  
2011 DR. MARTY HICKMAN, IHSA  
2012 RICH MONTGOMERY, Rock Falls  
2013 MIKE MATOZZI, Hinsdale South  
2014 ROB LEDIN, Mahomet  
2015 ROB MURPHY, Wilmington  
2016 CRAIG ANDERSON, IHSA  
2017 PAT O'CONNELL, Joliet  
2018 JACK LEESE, Northbrook  
2019 FRED ARKIN, Oak Park  
2019 COLLEEN MCGLYNN, Belleville  
2020 NATE KESSEN, Sugar Grove  
2020 MIKE POWELL, Oak Park  
2022 ROB PORTER, Naperville  
2023 ANTHONY CLARKE, Zion  
2024 MARK KING, Lyons Township

## Lansdowne UP Park Foundation

**2025**

**IWCOA**

**PERSON**

**OF**

**THE**

**YEAR**



We often hear, "home is where the heart is," and we believe the Lansdowne neighborhood is a significant part of the heart of East St. Louis. Lansdowne's rich and storied history is a point of pride for both current and former residents. Today, the hope of the neighborhood radiates through the organizations and individuals who call Lansdowne home.

We greatly desire to see the Lansdowne neighborhood and its residents thrive well into the future. Lansdowne UP endeavors to partner with those who love this area and those who may just be getting acquainted with Lansdowne. Together, we hope to build avenues that help shine a bright light on the beauty of the community. Over the last eight years, Lansdowne UP has labored alongside incredible champions of the neighborhood. From abandoned property cleanup to employment opportunities, we have aimed to support the revival and revitalization of Lansdowne.

## Our Mission

To transform Lansdowne, East St. Louis, into a thriving neighborhood - one person, one property at a time.

## Our Vision

To spark a revival of people loving God, each other, and their neighborhood!

Once a vibrant city, East St Louis has suffered decline due to many factors - loss of industry, population, crime, economic impoverishment...

We began as East St. Louis Wrestling Club in 2008, bringing kids wrestling to East St. Louis at the Jackie Joyner-Kersey Center. Located in the Lansdowne neighborhood of East St. Louis, the Jackie Joyner-Kersey Center offers kids and families hope. The JJK Center provides a safe haven, resources, and opportunities to rise above.

Beyond the JJK Center was a neighborhood marked with decline. Each block of the neighborhood was riddled with overgrown properties, derelict houses, illegal trash dumps and unsafe streets. The need for hope clearly continued beyond the campus of the JJK Center.

In 2013, East St. Louis Wrestling Club began the Lawns for Learning program. This program was designed to strengthen relationships between kids and coaches, provide workforce development and begin to clean up the neighborhood. Coaches and kids worked together to clear and mow lots. By 2021, our work had grown so vast that Lansdowne UP was established as a not-for-profit separate from East St. Louis Wrestling Club. We now employ 24 people full-time continuing our mission to transform Lansdowne into a thriving neighborhood one person, one property at a time.

Today Lansdowne UP strives to not only make the Lansdowne neighborhood clean and beautiful, but also to provide jobs, work force development, and housing for those who call East St. Louis home. At Lansdowne UP, we define success as honoring and glorifying God with our lives.

# 2025 Illinois/Indiana Classic Duals

Location: Joliet Catholic Academy IL, March 16, 2025



## Illinois Lincoln defeated Indiana Gold 41-26

- 106 Maddox Garbis (Team Lincoln) over Julianna Ocampo (Indiana Gold) TF 22-6
- 113 Dyalan Eimer (Team Lincoln) over Keegan Dresslar (Indiana Gold) Dec 11-10
- 120 Noah Woods (Team Lincoln) over Levi Johns (Indiana Gold) Dec 4-2
- 126 Michael Esteban (Team Lincoln) over Isaac Ash (Indiana Gold) TF 17-2
- 132 Jake Hockaday (Indiana Gold) over George Marinopoulos (Team Lincoln) Fall 2:18
- 138 Nathan Bryan (Indiana Gold) over Jeremy Eggelston (Team Lincoln) Fall 0:23
- 144 Bryce Doss (Indiana Gold) over Peyton Cox (Team Lincoln) Fall 3:37
- 150 Carson Weber (Team Lincoln) over Seth Syra (Indiana Gold) Dec 9-3
- 157 Silas Stits (Indiana Gold) over Jack Ferguson (Team Lincoln) Dec 10-8
- 165 Will Denny (Team Lincoln) over Michael Major (Indiana Gold) Maj 10-2
- 175 R.J. Robinson (Team Lincoln) over Brennon Whitktar (Indiana Gold) TF 19-4
- 190 Gunner Henru (Indiana Gold) over Caden Parks (Team Lincoln) TF 19-4
- 215 Nate Elster (Team Lincoln) over Gayden Bartoszek (Indiana Gold) Maj 13-3
- 285 William Cole (Team Lincoln) over Maz Forrester (Indiana Gold) Fall 3:27
- 215A Charles Walker (Team Lincoln) over Gayden Bartoszek (Indiana Gold) Dec 7-1

### Coaches:

**Ryan Cumbee, Joliet (Catholic Academy)**

**Zach Crawford, Canton**



# 2025 Illinois/Indiana Classic Duals

Location: Joliet Catholic Academy IL, March 16, 2025



## Illinois Reagan defeated Indiana Blue 60-11

- 106 Davion Henry (Team Reagan) over Davin Ash (Indiana Blue) TF 21-5
- 113 Bryce Mensik (Team Reagan) over Sam Blanco Clomenares (Indiana Blue) Fall 4:00
- 120 Gavin Rockey (Team Reagan) over Timoteo Rocha (Indiana Blue) Fall 4:00
- 126 Xavier Villalobos (Team Reagan) over Cameron Woods (Indiana Blue) Fall 4:00
- 132 Deven Casey (Team Reagan) over Eddie Goss (Indiana Blue) Fall 4:00
- 138 Jordan Rasof (Team Reagan) over Lucas Cadwell (Indiana Blue) Dec 7-1
- 144 Emmett Nelson (Team Reagan) over Sam Bustamante (Indiana Blue) Fall 1:57
- 150 Jackson Carroll (Team Reagan) over Jayden Lewis (Indiana Blue) Maj 10-2
- 157 Mason Day (Indiana Blue) over Tyson Rakers (Team Reagan) Dec 11-4
- 165 Bowden Delany (Team Reagan) over Gavin Davis (Indiana Blue) Fall 2:46
- 175 Fabian Ramirez (Team Reagan) over Jake Thrash (Indiana Blue) Fall 3:56
- 190 Ethan Farnell (Indiana Blue) over Nico Ronchetti (Team Reagan) Maj 16-5
- 215 Drake Champlin (Team Reagan) over Caden Brewer (Indiana Blue) Fall 5:48
- 285 Caleb Evans (Indiana Blue) over David McCarthy (Team Reagan) Maj 20-12

### Coaches

**Mark Masters, Coal City**

**Augie Genovesi, Niles (Notre Dame)**

# 2025 Illinois/Indiana Classic Duals

Location: Joliet Catholic Academy IL, March 16, 2025



## Illinois Girls defeated Indiana Girls 51-27

- 100 Kat Bell (Team Illinois Girls) over Sydney Stoller (Team Indiana Girls) TF 21-4
- 105 Kameyah Young (Team Illinois Girls) over Sanniah Hernandez (Team Indiana Girls) Fall 0:53
- 110 Jullianna Ocampo (Team Indiana Girls) over Jala Singleton (Team Illinois Girls) Fall 1:28
- 115 Victoria Macias (Team Illinois Girls) over Delany Koebecke (Team Indiana Girls) Fall 4:48
- 120 Zoe Pugh (Team Indiana Girls) over Aaliyah Roldan (Team Illinois Girls) Fall 0:23
- 125 Sophie Bowers (Team Illinois Girls) over Faith Hand (Team Indiana Girls) TF 17-1
- 130 Sophia Ball (Team Illinois Girls) over Jaydyn Mandry (Team Indiana Girls) TF 15-0
- 135 Kaylea Beauchamp (Team Indiana Girls) over Viola Pianetto (Team Illinois Girls) Dec 4-1
- 140 Jillian Giller (Team Illinois Girls) over Leighna Prater (Team Indiana Girls) Fall 5:05
- 145 Madeline Zerafa-Lazarevic (Team Illinois Girls) over Leighna Prater (Team Indiana Girls) Fall 1:35
- 155 Teagan Aurich (Team Illinois Girls) over Ella Harpold (Team Indiana Girls) Fall 2:57
- 170 Mallory Winner (Team Indiana Girls) over Alicia Tucker (Team Illinois Girls) Fall 3:31
- 190 Ja`Niya Howard (Team Indiana Girls) over Isabel Peralta (Team Illinois Girls) Fall 4:30
- 235 Chloe Hoselton (Team Illinois Girls) over Bresa Coan (Team Indiana Girls) Fall 2:16

### Coaches

Leo Clark, Hoffman Estates

John Bassler, Mt. Prospect (Prospect)

**Boys Outstanding Wrestlers**

**William Cole, Round Lake**

**Drake Champlin Wood River (East Alton-W.R.)**

**Girls Outstanding Wrestler**

**Kameyah Young, Aurora (West Aurora)**

**Team Leaders**

**Joe Cliffe, Fairbury**

**Rob Murphy, Wilmington**

**Rick Cliffe, Sycamore**



# 2025 Illinois/Indiana Classic Duals

Location: Joliet Catholic Academy IL, March 16, 2025

## 2025 Illinois Officials at IL/IN Classic Dual



**Left to Right:** Marc Miller, Plainfield, Donald McKillip, Minooka, Derek Ryan, Kankakee, Michael Vest, Harvard

# STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

Class 1A

Coal City

Coach – Mark Masters



## Team Place Winners

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

Vandalia

Coach: Jason Clay

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

Woodstock (Marian)

Coach: Jordan Blanton

**4<sup>th</sup>**

Tolono (Unity)

Coach: Logan Patton

## State Qualifiers

Chicago (Hope Academy)

Coach: Dan Willis

Murphysboro

Coach: Shea Baker

Oregon

Coach: Justin Lahman

Standford (Olympia)

Coach: Josh Collins



# STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

Class 2A

Elmhurst (IC Catholic)

Coach – Danny Alcocer



## Team Place Winners

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

Washington

Coach: Nick Miller

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

Lombard (Montini)

Coach: Mike Bukovsky

**4<sup>th</sup>**

Mahomet (M-Seymour)

Coach: Rob Ledin

## State Qualifiers

Chatham (Glenwood)

Coach: Jerod Bruner

Chicago (Brother Rice)

Coach: Jan Murzyn

Crystal Lake (Central)

Coach: Justin Lehr

Geneseo

Coach: Jon Murray

# STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

Class 3A

Aurora (Marmion Academy)

Coach – Anthony Cirricione/Nathan Fitzenreider



## Team Place Winners

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

Rockton (Hononegah)

Coach: Tyler Demoss

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

Joliet (Catholic Academy)

Coach: Ryan Cumbee

**4<sup>th</sup>**

Arlington Heights (Hersey)

Coach: Joseph Rupslauk

## State Qualifiers

Chicago (Mt. Carmel)

Coach: Alex Tsirtsis

Edwardsville (H.S.)

Coach: Eric Pretto

Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)

Coach: Paul Collins

Schaumburg (H.S.)

Coach: Mike LeVanti



## SCHOLASTIC WRESTLERS OF THE YEAR

2025 Class 1A \_\_\_\_\_

2A \_\_\_\_\_

3A \_\_\_\_\_

Girls \_\_\_\_\_

The Criteria for selecting the Scholastic Wrestler of the year are as follows:

1. The candidate must be nominated by his coach
2. Must be a senior in the upper half of his class
3. Must have placed at the IHSA State Tournament in Class 1A, Class 2A or Class 3A.

### NOMINEES

#### Class 1A

Landin Benson, Coal City  
Carson Bissey, Olney (Richland County)  
Dylan Crouch, Dwight  
Bowden Delaney, Tremont  
Hunter Easton, Tolono (Unity)

#### Class 2A

Rondald Baker III, Champaign (Central)  
Deven Casey, Elmhurst (IC Catholic)  
Nathan Sanchez, Chicago (St. Ignatius)

#### Class 3A

Caden Correl, Normal (Community)  
Joseph Knacksteadt, Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)  
Maksim Mukhamedaliyev, Arlington Heights (Hersey)  
Kurtis Smith, Rockton (Hononegah)

#### Girls

Kiyah Chavez, Oswego  
Emma Engels, Bartlett  
Chole Hoselton, Fairbury (Prairie Central)  
Nyah Lovis, Chicago (Lane)  
Charvelle McLain, Oak Lawn  
Jasmine Mejia, Chicago (Rickover)

### PAST RECIPIENTS

1971 – John King, DeKalb  
1972 – Pete Anderson, Homewood Flossmoor  
1973 – Bruce Zimmer, Niles North  
1974 – Alex Riccomini, East Leyden  
1975 – Steve Traylor, Richards  
1976 – Robert Taylor, Pekin  
1977 – Tom Janicik, Belleville West  
1978 – Jon Gluck, Conant  
1979 – Dale Schmach, Cambridge  
1980 – Jerry Richards, Romeoville  
1981 – Kirk Trost, Lincolnway  
1982 – Pat Parks, Addison Trail (Co-Winner)  
1982 – Scott Wiggin, Wheaton North (Co-Winner)  
1983 – Class A – Jeff Putman, Harvard  
1983 – Class AA – Tony Evensen, Marist  
1984 – Class A – Bruce Dickey, Fairfield  
1984 – Class AA – Mark Antionetti, Mt. Carmel  
1985 – Class A – George Bednarczyk, Harvard  
1985 – Class AA – Mike Mroszek, St. Pats  
1986 – Class A – Scott Holbrook, Newman Catholic

2007 – Class A – Ross George, Manteno  
2007 – Class A – Vince Vercelli, Wilmington  
2007 – Class AA – Jake Vetter, Richmond Burton  
2008 – Class A – Noah Roseland, Coal City  
2008 – Class A – Zach Wilson, Benton  
2008 – Class AA – Ben Aplan, Downers Grove South  
2009 – Class 1A – John Van Duyne, Wilmington  
2009 – Class 2A – Josh Castellano, Fenton  
2009 – Class 3A – Wade Self, Lake Zurich  
2010 – Class 1A – Matt Schaidle, Eureka  
2010 – Class 2A – Nick Haeferkamp, Lincoln  
2010 – Class 3A – Joe Schwartz, Highland Park  
2011 – Class 1A – Andy Hoselton, Fairbury (Prairie Central)  
2011 – Class 2A – Adam Wyeth, Yorkville  
2011 – Class 3A – Chris Johnson, Wheeling  
2012 – Class 1A – Justin Meyers, LeRoy  
2012 – Class 2A – Matt Garelli, Oak Park (Fenwick)  
2012 – Class 3A – Josh Marchok, Schaumburg  
2013 – Class 1A – Michael Harris, Belleville (Althoff Catholic)  
2013 – Class 2A – Alex Friedman, Pontiac

1986 – Class AA – Bill Jepsen, Gordon Tech  
 1987 – Class A – Brian Kish, Sandwich  
 1987 – Class AA – Neil Kohlberg, Wheeling  
 1988 – Class A – Brad Stockstill, Mt. Olive  
 1988 – Class AA – Brett Janis, Lake Park  
 1989 – Class A – Parr Schoolman, Clifton  
 1989 – Class AA – William O'Brian, Marist  
 1990 – Class A – Kip Wahlgren, Princeton  
 1990 – Class AA – Sam Walt, DeKalb  
 1991 – Class A – David Bobee, Plano  
 1991 – Class AA – Mike Baumann, Libertyville  
 1992 – Class A – Ryan Scoville, Lisle  
 1992 – Class AA – Steve Gerstung, Hersey  
 1993 – Class A – Dan Hajek, Lisle  
 1993 – Class AA – Joe Greene, Glenbard South  
 1994 – Class A – Brian Aho, Buffalo Tri-City  
 1994 – Class A – Josh Langford, Winnebago  
 1994 – Class A – Ryan Metcalfe, Yorkville  
 1994 – Class A – Mike Shields, Belleville Althoff  
 1994 – Class AA – Neal Rodak, Oak Forest  
 1995 – Class A – Casey O' Connor, Illini Bluffs  
 1995 – Class AA – Jake Bricker, York  
 1996 – Class A – Steve Bultman, Petersburg Porta  
 1996 – Class AA – Malik Elliot, Mt. Carmel  
 1997 – Class A – Chad Hay, Sandwich  
 1997 – Class A – Mike Weber, Belleville-Althoff  
 1997 – Class AA – Zach Emond, Lake Zurich  
 1997 – Class AA – Alan Wilson, McHenry  
 1998 – Class AA – Chris Stuart, Oak Forest  
 1998 – Class A – A.J. Bianchi, Harvard  
 1999 – Class A – Andy Reeter, Dakota  
 1999 – Class AA – Jon Bergstrom, Lincoln-Way  
 2000 – Class A – Nick Morphew, Prophetstown  
 2000 – Class AA – Tim Daly, Willowbrook  
 2000 – Class AA – Brian Nelson, St. Laurence  
 2001 – Class A – David Schultz, Harvard  
 2001 – Class AA – Chuck Rumpf, Lincoln-Way  
 2002 – Class A – Josh Means, Lisle  
 2002 – Class AA – Dustin Carpenter, Belleville West  
 2003 – Class A – Jordan Broquard, Prairie Central  
 2003 – Class AA – Michael Bishof, York  
 2004 – Class A – Brent Skorup, Sandwich  
 2004 – Class AA – Mike Tamillow, Fenwick  
 2005 – Class A – Dan Haeflinger, Harvard  
 2005 – Class AA – Mike Anello, Sandburg  
 2006 – Class A – Daniel Hermes, Sterling Newman  
 2006 – Class AA – Jim Kennedy, Grant

2013 – Class 2A – Copache Taylor Springfield Southeast  
 2013 – Class 3A – Steven Galiardo, Chicago (St. Patrick)  
 2013 – Class 3A – Justin Weber, Lincolnshire (Stevenson)  
 2014 – Class 1A – Dexter Fierro, Wilmington  
 2014 – Class 2A – Harrison Williams, Springfield  
 2014 – Class 3A – Nick Allegretti, Lincoln-Way East  
 2015 – Class 1A – Jarod Noel, Bismarck-Henning  
 2015 – Class 2A – Jake Eckenrod, Mt. Zion  
 2015 – Class 3A – Chris Zhang, Naperville (North)  
 2016 – Class 1A – Riley Kauzlaric, Coal City  
 2016 – Class 2A – Donald Keeley III, Washington  
 2016 – Class 3A – Zachary Krause, Plainfield (East)  
 2016 – Class 3A – Shayne Oster, Lockport  
 2017 – Class 1A – Nick Pretto, Wilmington  
 2017 – Class 1A – Tyler Roling, Sherrard  
 2017 – Class 2A – Micah Krueger, Ottawa  
 2017 – Class 3A – Patrick Brucki, Orland Park (Carl Sandburg)  
 2018 – Class 1A – Tyler Roling, Sherrard  
 2018 – Class 2A – Micah Krueger, Ottawa  
 2018 – Class 3A – Patrick Brucki, Orland Park (Carl Sandburg)  
 2019 – Class 1A – Wesley Girardi, Deer Creek-Mackinaw  
 2019 – Class 2A – Peter McCusker, Rantoul  
 2019 – Class 3A – Ryan Fleck, Aurora (Marmion Academy)  
 2020 – Class 1A – Charlie Peterson, Auburn  
 2020 – Class 2A – Zeke Waltz, Jerseyville  
 2020 – Class 3A – David Ferrante, Huntley  
 2022 – Girls – Naomi Milees, Lake Forest  
 2022 – Class 1A – Joe Lashuay, Fithian (Oakwood)  
 2022 – Class 2A – Sean Conway, Chicago (St. Patrick)  
 2022 – Class 3A – Jack Cummins, Winnetka (New Trier)  
 2022 – Class 3A – Josh Knudten, Libertyville  
 2023 – Class 1A – Dresden Grimm, Auburn  
 2023 – Class 1A – Braiden Young, Coal City  
 2023 – Class 2A – Abe Wojcikiewicz, Bethalto (CM)  
 2023 – Class 2A – Karl Schmalz, Niles (Notre Dame)  
 2023 – Class 3A – Jacob Lachs, Glen Ellyn (Glenbard W)  
 2023 – Girls – Sydney Perry, Batavia  
 2024 – Class 1A – Tyrus Carter, Red Bud  
 2024 – Class 1A – Ian O'Connor, Glasford (Illini Bluffs)  
 2024 – Class 2A – Noah O'Connor, Lemont  
 2024 – Class 2A – Evan Willock, Normal (West)  
 2024 – Class 3A – Owen McGrory, Libertyville  
 2024 – Girls – Sarah Ephstein, Oak Park-River Forest

# **Special Recognition Awards**

## **Gold Level Awards**

Mark Masters, Coal City, 500 career coaching victories  
Jason Clay, Vandalia, 500 career coaching victories  
Mike Bukovsky, Lombard (Montini), 500 career coaching victories  
Seth Mendoza, Chicago (Mt. Carmel), 4x state champion  
Angelina Cassioppi, Rockton (Hononegah), 4x state champion  
Sandwich High School, 1000 program dual meet victories  
Lombard (Montini) High School, 1000 program dual meet victories  
Edwardsville High School, 1000 program dual meet victories  
LeRoy Isbell, Belleville, 40+ years of service  
Anthony Lombardo, Williams Bay, WI, 40+ years of service  
John McDonnell, DeWitt, IA, 40+ years of service

## **Silver Level Awards**

Todd Yegge, Seneca, 400 career coaching victories  
Scott Holbrook, Rock Falls, 15 state finals officiated  
Tyson Waughtel, Vandalia, 4x state medal winner, 2x champion  
Emmett Nelson, Richmond (R.-Burton), 4x state medal winner  
Vance Williams, Woodstock (Marian), 4x state medal winner  
Aiden Larsen, Yorkville (Y. Christian), 4x state medal winner  
Deven Casey, Elmhurst (IC Catholic), 4x state medal winner, 2x state champion  
Peyton Cox, Washington, 4x state medal winner  
Zachary Montez, Geneseo, 4x medal winner  
Brady Phelps, Schaumburg (H.S.), 4x state medal winner  
Evan Gosz, Palatine (Fremd), 4x state medal winner  
Victoria Macias, Burlington (Central), 4x state medal winner  
August Rottman, Highland, 4x state medal winner  
Harlee Hiller, Wilmette (Loyola Academy), 4x state medal winner, 2x state champion  
Gabriella Gomez, Carol Stream (Glenbard North), 3x state champion

## **Bronze Level Awards**

Derek Ryan, Kankakee, 5 state finals officiated  
Ted Timbrook, Colona, 5 state finals officiated  
Chloe Hoselton, Fairbury (Prairie Central), 2x state champion  
Sophie Bowers, Vandalia, 2x state champion  
Alicia Tucker, Plainfield (Central), 2x state champion  
Brayden Teunissen, Woodstock (Marian), 2x state champion  
Jackson Carrol, Glasford (Illini Bluffs), 2x state champion  
Will Denny, Chicago (Marist), 2x state champion

# IWCOA Academic All-State Wrestling Team

The IWCOA is honored to recognize the following wrestlers as Academic All-State Wrestlers for 2025. In order to qualify, these athletes must be a senior and have earned a varsity letter. The athlete must also have a cumulative grade point average of 3.7 on a 4.0 scale or a 4.6 on a 5.0 scale at the end of their 7<sup>th</sup> semester of high school. This GPA is verified by the high school's principal or guidance counselor. The athlete does not have to have qualified for the IHSA State Wrestling Tournament to be eligible.

Nadia Anderson, Sherrard  
Owen Anderson, Grayslake (North)  
Randal Baker, III, Champaign (Central)  
Luis Ballesteros, Plano  
Ashley Basmejian, Aurora (Metea Valley)  
Arrison Bauer, Lena (L.-Winslow)/Stockton  
Ruby Becerra, Aurora (East A.)  
Landin Benson, Coal City  
Carson Bissey, Olney (Richland County)  
Christopher Blackmore, El Paso (E.P.-Gridley)  
Terrance Boyke, Niles (Notre Dame)  
Bo Branum, Harvard  
Matt Brown, Harrisburg  
Mikaela Busse, Oswego  
Briar Butler, Harrisburg  
Jalen Byrd, New Lenox (Lincoln-Way Central)  
Deven Casey, Elmhurst (IC Catholic)  
Callie Carr, Darien (Hinsdale South)  
Ethan Cavallo, Normal (Community)  
Kiyah Chavez, Oswego  
Austin Chieri, Normal (Community)  
Ace Christiansen, Princeton  
Scott, Cook, Niles (Notre Dame)  
Caden Correll, Normal (Community)  
Dylan Crouch, Dwight (Twp)  
Justin Curtis, Normal (Community)  
Harrison Dea, Morton  
Bowden Delaney, Tremont  
Shane Downs, Plano  
Alejandro Duarte, Kewanee  
Hunter Easton, Tolono (Unity)  
Luke Eganhouse, Normal (Community)  
Matthew Elzy, Riverside (R.-Brookfield)  
Emma Engels, Bartlett  
Brenda Escobedo, Aurora (East A.)  
Casey Etheridge, Princeton  
Cooper Floden, McHenry  
Jaren Frankouliak, Normal (Community)  
James Frugoli, Niles (Notre Dame College Prep)  
Alexa Colin Garcia, McHenry  
Diana Garcia, Riverside (R.-Brookfield)  
Mason Garner, Coal City  
Daniel Goodwin, Chicago (St. Patrick)  
Evan Greggain, Coal City  
Sammie Greisen, Seneca

Cole Guntch, Normal (Community)  
Simeon Hector, Riverside (R.-Brookfield)  
Chloe Hoselton, Fairbury (Prairie Central)  
Noah Houston, Coal City  
Mariella Hutar, Riverside (R.-Brookfield)  
Hudson Ikens, DeKalb  
Michael Keany, Niles (Notre Dame)  
Aiden Kenney, Coal City  
Leyton Kenney, Oregon  
Matthew Kessel, Niles (Notre Dame)  
Callen Kirchner, Schaumburg (H.S.)  
Joseph Knackstedt, Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)  
Sean Kolkebeck, DeKalb  
Brady Krueger, Niles (Notre Dame)  
Grace Laird, Joliet (J. Catholic Academy)  
Eli Larson, Lena (L.-Winslow)/Stockton  
Rider Larson, Plano  
Dean Lazaris, Niles (Notre Dame)  
Isaac Lee, Riverside (R.-Brookfield)  
Rikka Ludvigson, Oswego  
Gabriel Martinez, Peoria (Richwoods)  
Charvelle McLain, Oak Lawn (Community)  
Oliver McPeck, Lena (L.-Winslow)/Stockton  
Jasmine Mejia, Chicago (Rickover Naval Academy)  
Jackson Messenger, Oregon  
Ismael Montero, Chicago (C. Hope Academy)  
Ian Morris, Princeton  
Maksim Mukhamedaliyev, Arlington Hts. (Hersey)  
Max Munn, New Lenox (Lincoln-Way West)  
Luke Munsterman, Coal City  
Lucas Nance, Palatine (Fremd)  
Molly O'Connor, Lemont (H.S.)  
Cade Odell, Princeton  
Catalina Pacheco, Seneca  
Isabel Peralta, Oak Forest  
Trevor Pomis, Normal (West)  
Cade Poyner, Coal City  
Carson Prunty, Glen Ellyn (Glenbard West)  
Abram Rader, Normal (West)  
Aydan Radke, Streator  
Aaliya Roldan, Oswego  
Caiden Ronning, Plano  
Noreidy Ruiz, Aurora (East A.)  
Claire Shaw, Bethalto (Civic Memorial)

# NEWSMAN OF THE YEAR

2025

The Criteria for selecting the Newsman of the Year are as follows:

1. Detailed coverage of local teams
2. Use of many action photos
3. Personalized articles about wrestlers, coaches, officials or fans
4. Selection of honor roles or conference ratings
5. Promotion of tournaments and outstanding meets
6. Personal attendance of wrestling meets
7. Wrestling coverage of all levels

## NOMINEES

Dalton Bullard, Northern Illinois Wrestling and Illinois Wrestler  
Paul Garcia, Garcia Video Productions  
Mike Garofola, Daily Herald & IWCOA Features  
Brian Hoxey, Shaw Media

Gary Larsen, IWCOA Features  
Izzy Martinez, Illinois Matmen  
Steve Millar, Chicago Tribune Daily Southtown

## PAST RECIPIENTS

1971 – Howard Brooks, DeKalb Chronicle  
1972 – Mike Mooney, Pioneer Press  
1973 – Keith Reinhard, Paddock Publications  
1974 – Vic Reato, Herarld News of Joliet  
1975 – Mike Mooney, Rockford Morning Star  
1976 – Tom Enlund, DeKalb Chronicle  
1977 – Ron Beem, Tempo Life/Rock.Morning Star  
1978 – Reid Schalk, Rockford Morning Star  
1979 – Reid Hanley, Suburban Trib  
1980 – Reid Hanley, Suburban Trib  
1981 – Lyle Eckstrom, Savanna  
1982 – Gene Seymour, Springfield State Journal  
1983 – Tom Loftus, Paddock Publications  
1984 – Fred Kroner, Champaign News Gazette  
1985 – Rob Sherrill, Chicago Sun Times  
1986 – Tom Horvath, Wheaton Daily Journal  
1987 – Bob Reilly, Star  
1987 – Barb Mangels, Bloomingdale Press  
1987 – Dan Eilts, Ottawa Daily  
1988 – Robert Burns, Springfield St. Journal Reg.  
1988 – Bill Wesselhoff, DeKalb Chronicle  
1988 – Fred Kroner, Champaign News Gazette  
1989 – Jim Edison, Pioneer Press  
1990 – Rob Sherrill, Grappler & Chicago Sun Times  
1991 – John Marx, Moline Dispatch  
1992 – Larry Weintrek, Arlington Hts. Daily Herald  
1993 – Dave Elsesser, LaSalle News Tribune  
1994 – Joseph Bush, Daily Herald  
1995 – Jeff Glade, Ottawa Daily Times  
1996 – Dean Criddle, Belleville News Democrat  
1997 – Jim Edison, Pioneer Press  
1998 – Bill Kindt, Beacon News

1999 – Jim Mattson, WHOI-TV  
2000 – Curt Herron, Plainfield Enterprise  
2000 – Fred Kroner, Champaign News Gazette  
2001 – Rick Armstrong, Aurora Beacon-Copy News  
2001 – Andy Colbert, Sauk Valley Newspaper  
2001 – Ed Ewoldt, The Word  
2001 – Randy Sharer, Bloomington Pantagraph  
2002 – Curt Herron, Star Herald  
2003 – Jim Mattson, WHOI-TV  
2004 – Tim Maher, “The Big Guy Show”  
2004 – Bob Regan, DeKalb Chronicle  
2004 – Tim Smith, Morris Daily Herald  
2005 – Rick Armstrong, Aurora Beacon-Copley News  
2005 – Ed Ewoldt, “The Word”  
2005 – Kevin Powers, WCCI 100.3 FM, Savanna  
2006 – Gary Larsen, Daily Herald  
2007 – Scott Schmidt, Lombard Spectator  
2008 – James Bentz, Free Press Advocate, Wilmington  
2009 – Fred Kroner, Champaign News Gazette  
2010 – Mike Bare, Illinoismatmen.com  
2011 – Rob Sherrill, Illinois Best Weekly  
2012 – Mike Vest, Illinoismatmen.com  
2013 – Curt Herron, Illinoismatmen.com  
2014 – Daniel Makarewicz, Moline Dispatch  
2015 – Kory Kuffler, WQAD Sports – Moline  
2016 – Jared Bell, News Tribune/Illinois Matmen  
2017 – Mike Garofola, Daily Herald/Illinois Matmen  
2018 – Curt Herron, Herald News  
2019 – Rob Sherrill, IWCOA Rankings & IL Best Weekly  
2020 – Gary Larsen, IWCOA Features  
2022 – Rob Sherrill, IWCOA & IL Best Weekly  
2023 – Curt Herron, IWOC Features  
2024 – Tony LiFonti, Illinois Matman

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

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## Class 1A – 106 Pounds



1st Place - Charlie Flores of Hoopeston (H. Area)

2nd Place - Steven Uden of Fithian (Oakwood)

3rd Place - Raiden Terry of Seneca

4th Place - Landon Near of Sterling (Newman Central Catholic)

5th Place - Lelan Nelson of Richmond (R.-Burton)

6th Place - Brandon Gaither of Stanford (Olympia)

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## Class 2A – 106 Pounds



- 1st Place - Ray Long of Niles (Notre Dame)
- 2nd Place - Vince DeMarco of Grayslake (Central)
- 3rd Place - Erik Klichurov of Lombard (Montini)
- 4th Place - Dominic Pasquale of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)
- 5th Place - Christian Corcoran of New Lenox (Providence Catholic)
- 6th Place - Symon Woods of Washington

## Class 3A – 106 Pounds



- 1st Place - MJ Rundell of Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)
- 2nd Place - Niko Odiotti of Wilmette (Loyola Academy)
- 3rd Place - Preston Morrison of Aurora (Marmion Academy)
- 4th Place - Nikolas Duarte of Addison (A. Trail)
- 5th Place - Sebastian Gracia of Chicago (Mt. Carmel)
- 6th Place - Maddox Garbis of Plainfield (North)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 1A – 113 Pounds



- 1st Place - Max Philpot of Vandalia
- 2nd Place - Austin Hagevold of Woodstock (Marian)
- 3rd Place - Dylan Eimer of Stanford (Olympia)
- 4th Place - Cohen Sweely of Benton
- 5th Place - Owen Petersen of Coal City
- 6th Place - Josiah Perez of Oregon

## Class 2A – 113 Pounds



- 1st Place - Allen Woo of Lombard (Montini)
- 2nd Place - Daniel Goodwin of Chicago (St. Patrick)
- 3rd Place - Sam Murante of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)
- 4th Place - Jacob Sebek of Oak Forest
- 5th Place - Paxton Valentine of Morris
- 6th Place - Jackson Marlett of Crystal Lake (Central)

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 3A – 113 Pounds



- 1st Place - Caleb Noble of Gurnee (Warren)
- 2nd Place - Caden Correll of Normal (Community)
- 3rd Place - Rocco Hayes of Orland Park (Sandburg)
- 4th Place - Oleksandr Havrylkiv of Buffalo Grove
- 5th Place - Aidan McClure of Aurora (Marmion Academy)
- 6th Place - Colin Abordo of Huntley

## Class 1A – 120 Pounds



- 1st Place - Brayden Teunissen of Woodstock (Marian)
- 2nd Place - Preston Waughtel of Vandalia
- 3rd Place - Jeremiah Lawrence of Chicago (De La Salle)
- 4th Place - Mason Swartz of Fithian (Oakwood)
- 5th Place - Barret Speck of Glasford (Illini Bluffs)
- 6th Place - Adam Glauser of Richmond (R.-Burton)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 2A – 120 Pounds



- 1st Place - Noah Woods of Washington
- 2nd Place - Mikey Malizzio of Lombard (Montini)
- 3rd Place - Gavin Rockey of Wauconda
- 4th Place - Edgar Mosquera of Riverside (R.-Brookfield)
- 5th Place - Aiden Larsen of Yorkville (Y. Christian)
- 6th Place - Kannon Judycki of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)

## Class 3A – 120 Pounds



- 1st Place - Dom Munaretto of St. Charles (East)
- 2nd Place - Brady Phelps of Schaumburg (H.S.)
- 3rd Place - Chazz Robinson of Flossmoor (Homewood-F.)
- 4th Place - Jackson Olson of Rockton (Hononegah)
- 5th Place - Jamiel Castleberry of Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)
- 6th Place - Nadeem Haleem of Tinley Park (Andrew)

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 1A – 126 Pounds



- 1st Place - Tyson Waughtel of Vandalia  
2nd Place - Cooper Morris of Coal City  
3rd Place - Ian Akers of Peoria (Notre Dame)  
4th Place - Devin Ehler of Fithian (Oakwood)  
5th Place - Landen Lage of Gibson City (G.C.-Melvin-Sibley)  
6th Place - Dawson Hawthorne of Belleville (Althoff Catholic)

## Class 2A – 126 Pounds



- 1st Place - Max Cumbee of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)  
2nd Place - Xavier Villalobos of Rochelle  
3rd Place - Gavin Hanrahan of Antioch  
4th Place - John Sheehy of Niles (Notre Dame)  
5th Place - Harrison Dea of Morton  
6th Place - Avery Jaime of Bethalto (Civic Memorial)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 3A – 126 Pounds



1st Place - Nicholas Garcia of Aurora (Marmion Academy)

2nd Place - Michael Esteban of Chicago (Marist)

3rd Place - Jason Hampton of Joliet (Catholic Academy)

4th Place - Vince Jasinski of Fox Lake (Grant)

5th Place - Kalani Khiev of Carol Stream (Glenbard North)

6th Place - Aidan Durell of Plainfield (North)

## Class 1A – 132 Pounds



1st Place - Dean Wainwright of Port Byron (Riverdale)

2nd Place - Garrett VerHeecke of Decatur (Unity Christian)

3rd Place - Brandon Green Jr. of Roxana

4th Place - Josiah Willis of Chicago (C. Hope Academy)

5th Place - Kane Dauber of Princeton

6th Place - Zach Bryant of Petersburg (PORTA)

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 2A – 132 Pounds



- 1st Place - Deven Casey of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)
- 2nd Place - Bradley Ruckman of Bethalto (Civic Memorial)
- 3rd Place - Jackson Palzet of Deerfield (H.S.)
- 4th Place - Isaac Mayora of Lombard (Montini)
- 5th Place - Tommy Banas of New Lenox (Providence Catholic)
- 6th Place - Bobby Conway of Chicago (Brother Rice)

## Class 3A – 132 Pounds



- 1st Place - Rocco Cassioppi of Rockton (Hononegah)
- 2nd Place - George Marinopoulos of Chicago (Marist)
- 3rd Place - Demetrios Carrera of Aurora (Marmion Academy)
- 4th Place - Elijah Garza of Arlington Heights (Hersey)
- 5th Place - Justin Williamson of Chicago (Mt. Carmel)
- 6th Place - Griff Powell of LaGrange (Lyons)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 1A – 138 Pounds



- 1st Place - Taylor Finley of Tolono (Unity)  
2nd Place - Brody Widlowski of Coal City  
3rd Place - Jude Finch of Taylor Ridge (Rockridge)  
4th Place - Andrew Alvarado of Woodstock (Marian)  
5th Place - Clinton VerHeecke of Decatur (Unity Christian)  
6th Place - Pedro Rangel of Fithian (Oakwood)

## Class 2A – 138 Pounds



- 1st Place - Kam Luif of Lombard (Montini)  
2nd Place - Donald Cannon of Rockford (East)  
3rd Place - Jordan Rasof of Deerfield (H.S.)  
4th Place - Ronald Baker III of Champaign (Central)  
5th Place - Oliver Davis of Chicago (Brother Rice)  
6th Place - Jayden Dohogne of Sycamore (H.S.)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 3A – 138 Pounds



- 1st Place - Seth Mendoza of Chicago (Mt. Carmel)
- 2nd Place - Thomas Silva of Rockton (Hononegah)
- 3rd Place - Erik Rodriguez of Fox Lake (Grant)
- 4th Place - Joseph Knackstedt of Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)
- 5th Place - Ryan Richie of Edwardsville (H.S.)
- 6th Place - Drew Fifield of Palatine (Fremd)

## Class 1A – 144 Pounds



- 1st Place - Emmett Nelson of Richmond (R.-Burton)
- 2nd Place - Kaden Inman of Tolono (Unity)
- 3rd Place - Arrison Bauer of Lena (L.-Winslow)
- 4th Place - Aidan Kenney of Coal City
- 5th Place - Cooper Corder of Sandwich
- 6th Place - Logan Riggs of Roxana

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 2A – 144 Pounds



- 1st Place - Peyton Cox of Washington  
2nd Place - Aiden Arnett of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)  
3rd Place - Austin Perez of Oak Forest  
4th Place - Chase Nobiling of Antioch  
5th Place - Carter Skoff of Morris  
6th Place - Dillon White of Mt. Vernon (H.S.)

## Class 3A – 144 Pounds



- 1st Place - Evan Gosz of Palatine (Fremd)  
2nd Place - Zach Stewart of Aurora (Marmion Academy)  
3rd Place - Ryan Hinger of Orland Park (Sandburg)  
4th Place - Donavon Allen of Chicago (Marist)  
5th Place - Maksim Mukhamedaliyev of Arlington Heights (Hersey)  
6th Place - Brayden Swanson of Oswego (H.S.)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 1A – 150 Pounds



- 1st Place - Jackson Carroll of Glasford (Illini Bluffs)
- 2nd Place - Vance Williams of Woodstock (Marian)
- 3rd Place - Dillon Hinton of Vandalia
- 4th Place - Holden Brazelton of Tolono (Unity)
- 5th Place - Dylan Crouch of Dwight
- 6th Place - Henry Hildreth of Stillman Valley

## Class 2A – 150 Pounds



- 1st Place - Justus Heeg of New Lenox (Providence Catholic)
- 2nd Place - Brock Ross of Mascoutah
- 3rd Place - Knox Verbais of Bethalto (Civic Memorial)
- 4th Place - Dominic Garcia of Antioch
- 5th Place - Dana Wickson of Rockford (East)
- 6th Place - David Farjado of Mundelein (Carmel)

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 3A – 150 Pounds



- 1st Place - Carson Weber of Joliet (West)
- 2nd Place - Justin Wardlow of Lockport (Twp.)
- 3rd Place - Ashton Hobson of Aurora (Marmion Academy)
- 4th Place - Van Rosauer of Yorkville (H.S.)
- 5th Place - Nolan Vogel of Joliet (Catholic Academy)
- 6th Place - Callen Kirchner of Schaumburg (H.S.)

## Class 1A – 157 Pounds



- 1st Place - Blake Smith of Port Byron (Riverdale)
- 2nd Place - Briar Ivey of Sterling (Newman Central Catholic)
- 3rd Place - Wyatt Goossens of Erie
- 4th Place - Chasen Kazmierczak of West Chicago (Wheaton Academy)
- 5th Place - Justin Zimmerman of Petersburg (PORTA)
- 6th Place - Carson Bissey of Olney (Richland County)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 2A – 157 Pounds



- 1st Place - Wyatt Medlin of Washington
- 2nd Place - Tyson Rakars of Highland
- 3rd Place - Nate Sanchez of Chicago (St. Ignatius)
- 4th Place - Jasper Harper of New Lenox (Providence Catholic)
- 5th Place - Ty Smart of Rockford (East)
- 6th Place - Frank Miceli of Chicago (Brother Rice)

## Class 3A – 157 Pounds



- 1st Place - Liam Kelly of Chicago (Mt. Carmel)
- 2nd Place - Dominic Serio of Aurora (West Aurora)
- 3rd Place - Jack Ferguson of Yorkville (H.S.)
- 4th Place - Radic Dvorak of Huntley
- 5th Place - Jaedon Calderon of Lockport (Twp.)
- 6th Place - Jovan Vukajlovic of Flossmoor (Homewood-F.)

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 1A – 165 Pounds



- 1st Place - Bowden Delaney of Tremont  
2nd Place - Lyndon Thies of Roxana  
3rd Place - Adam Haddad of Niles (Northridge Prep)  
4th Place - Casey Etheridge of Princeton  
5th Place - Arkail Griffin of Chicago (C. Hope Academy)  
6th Place - Eli Burns of Aledo (Mercer County)

## Class 2A – 165 Pounds



- 1st Place - Pierre Walton of East St. Louis (Sr.)  
2nd Place - Santino Tenuta of Lombard (Montini)  
3rd Place - Ilia Dvoriannikov of Vernon Hills  
4th Place - Zachary Montez of Geneseo  
5th Place - Grant Gensler of Rochelle  
6th Place - Van Grasser of Chicago (St. Patrick)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 3A – 165 Pounds



- 1st Place - Will Denny of Chicago (Marist)
- 2nd Place - Brody Sendele of Rockton (Hononegah)
- 3rd Place - Luke Hamiti of Joliet (Catholic Academy)
- 4th Place - Anthony Gutierrez of St. Charles (East)
- 5th Place - Royce Lopez of Gurnee (Warren)
- 6th Place - Dayne Serio of Aurora (West Aurora)

## Class 1A – 175 Pounds



- 1st Place - Eli Larson of Lena (L.-Winslow)
- 2nd Place - Blake Livdahl of Richmond (R.-Burton)
- 3rd Place - Angel Zamora of Hoopeston (H. Area)
- 4th Place - Ryan Rink of Tolono (Unity)
- 5th Place - Landin Benson of Coal City
- 6th Place - Ross Miller of Vandalia



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 2A – 175 Pounds



- 1st Place - Brody Kelly of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)
- 2nd Place - Kye Weinzierl of Geneseo
- 3rd Place - Marco Casillas of Mahomet (M.-Seymour)
- 4th Place - Dan Costello of Chicago (Brother Rice)
- 5th Place - Ben Vazquez of Antioch
- 6th Place - Cooper Bode of Sycamore (H.S.)

## Class 3A – 175 Pounds



- 1st Place - Aaron Stewart of Gurnee (Warren)
- 2nd Place - RJ Robinson of Flossmoor (Homewood-F.)
- 3rd Place - Connor Diemel of Rockton (Hononegah)
- 4th Place - Luke Zook of Yorkville (H.S.)
- 5th Place - Fabian Ramirez of Elgin (H.S.)
- 6th Place - Henry Rydwelski of Naperville (Central)

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 1A – 190 Pounds



1st Place - Jimmy Mastny of Woodstock (Marian)

2nd Place - Maddux Anderson of Orion

3rd Place - Danny Jackson of Red Bud

4th Place - Oliver McPeck of Lena (L.-Winslow)

5th Place - Cade Poyner of Coal City

6th Place - Hunter Eastin of Tolono (Unity)

## Class 2A – 190 Pounds



1st Place - Judah Heeg of Lemont (H.S.)

2nd Place - Cayden Parks of Crystal Lake (Central)

3rd Place - Mike Taheny of Oak Lawn (Richards)

4th Place - Prince Amakiri of Plano

5th Place - Isaac Barrientos of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)

6th Place - Jaxon Lane of Lombard (Montini)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 3A – 190 Pounds



- 1st Place - Ricky Ericksen of Chicago (Marist)
- 2nd Place - Nico Ronchetti of Joliet (Catholic Academy)
- 3rd Place - Ryder Janeczko of Yorkville (H.S.)
- 4th Place - Kurt Smith of Rockton (Hononegah)
- 5th Place - Zachary Kruse of Hinsdale (Central)
- 6th Place - Simon Schulte of Edwardsville (H.S.)

## Class 1A – 215 Pounds



- 1st Place - Drake Champlin of Wood River (East Alton-W.R.)
- 2nd Place - Jeremiah Luke of Lena (L.-Winslow)
- 3rd Place - Kaden Tidwell of Vandalia
- 4th Place - Keller Stocks of Mt. Zion
- 5th Place - John Keigher of Coal City
- 6th Place - Dominic Alaimo of Braidwood (Reed-Custer)

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 2A – 215 Pounds



- 1st Place - Josh Hoffer of Washington
- 2nd Place - Jaxson Mathenia of Waterloo (H.S.)
- 3rd Place - Foley Calcagno of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)
- 4th Place - Genesis Ward of Evergreen Park
- 5th Place - Kaiden Morris of Rochelle
- 6th Place - Xavier Bitner of Burbank (St. Laurence)

## Class 3A – 215 Pounds



- 1st Place - Charles Walker of Joliet (Central)
- 2nd Place - Kai Calcutt of Wilmette (Loyola Academy)
- 3rd Place - Nate Elstner of New Lenox (Lincoln-Way West)
- 4th Place - Roman Janek of Edwardsville (H.S.)
- 5th Place - Evan Jovic of Chicago (Taft)
- 6th Place - Asher Sheldon of Batavia



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 1A – 285 Pounds



- 1st Place - David McCarthy of Chicago (De La Salle)
- 2nd Place - Roy Phelps of Chicago (C. Hope Academy)
- 3rd Place - Jaylen Torres of Wheaton (St. Francis)
- 4th Place - Jeremy Gagnon of Seneca
- 5th Place - Connor Williams of Canton
- 6th Place - Jared Claunch of Byron

## Class 2A – 285 Pounds



- 1st Place - Cody Moss of Chatham (Glenwood)
- 2nd Place - Jose Del Toro of East Peoria
- 3rd Place - Hunter Wahtola of Chicago (DePaul College Prep)
- 4th Place - Anthony Sebastian of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)
- 5th Place - Gavin Ericson of Lombard (Montini)
- 6th Place - Lucas Burton of Cary (C.-Grove)

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Class 3A – 285 Pounds



1st Place - Jonathan Rulo of Belleville (East)

2nd Place - William Cole of Round Lake

3rd Place - Mateusz Nycz of Aurora (Marmion Academy)

4th Place - Tyler Fortis of Park Ridge (Maine South)

5th Place - Owen Jakubczak of Palatine (Fremd)

6th Place - Abisai Hernandez of Mundelein (H.S.)

## Girls – 100 Pounds



1st Place - Saya Hongmoungkhoun of Rockford (East)

2nd Place - Katelyn Bell of Lombard (Montini)

3rd Place - Jade Hardee of Tinley Park (Andrew)

4th Place - Riley Kongkaeow of Round Lake

5th Place - Lily Enos of Batavia

6th Place - Emma Rogers of Edwardsville (H.S.)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Girls – 105 Pounds



- 1st Place - Chloe Skiles of Roxana  
2nd Place - Nadiia Shymkiv of Lombard (Glenbard East)  
3rd Place - Kameyah Young of Aurora (West Aurora)  
4th Place - Zoe Sadler of Anna (A.-Jonesboro)  
5th Place - Zoey Dodgers of Franklin Park-Northlake (Leyden)  
6th Place - Alex Gregorio-Perez of DeKalb

## Girls – 110 Pounds



- 1st Place - Angelina Gochis of Maple Park (Kaneland)  
2nd Place - Annalee Aarseth of Crystal Lake (South)  
3rd Place - Zoe Dempsey of New Lenox (Lincoln-Way Central)  
4th Place - Khloe Perez of Glen Ellyn (Glenbard West)  
5th Place - Rilynn Younker of Litchfield  
6th Place - London Gandy of Flossmoor (Homewood-F.)



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Girls – 115 Pounds



1st Place - Harlee Hiller of Wilmette (Loyola Academy)

2nd Place - Sydney Cannon of Mt. Zion

3rd Place - Amelia Nidelea-Polanin of Hampshire

4th Place - Alejandra Flores of Bolingbrook

5th Place - Kiely Domyancich of LaSalle (L.-Peru)

6th Place - Victoria Macias of Burlington (Central)

## Girls – 120 Pounds



1st Place - Angelina Cassioppi of Rockton (Hononegah)

2nd Place - Ariella Dobin of Northbrook (Glenbrook North)

3rd Place - Emma Engels of Bartlett

4th Place - Lydia King of Geneseo

5th Place - Sabrina Bono of Franklin Park-Northlake (Leyden)

6th Place - Mary Minogue of Libertyville

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Girls – 125 Pounds



- 1st Place - Sophie Bowers of Vandalia
- 2nd Place - Elise Burkut of Wheeling
- 3rd Place - Gianna Arzer of Grayslake (Central)
- 4th Place - Brooklyn Sheaffer of Maple Park (Kaneland)
- 5th Place - Alexis Seymour of Jacksonville (H.S.)
- 6th Place - Dezi Azar of Naperville (Central)

## Girls – 130 Pounds



- 1st Place - Sophia Ball of Hoffman Estates (H.S.)
- 2nd Place - Kinnley Smith of Canton
- 3rd Place - Grace Laird of Joliet (Catholic Academy)
- 4th Place - Nyah Lovis of Chicago (Lane)
- 5th Place - Michelle Naftzger of Erie
- 6th Place - Aubrie Rohrbacher of Huntley



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Girls – 135 Pounds



- 1st Place - Claudia Heeney of Lockport (Twp.)
- 2nd Place - Viola Pianetto of Mt. Prospect (Prospect)
- 3rd Place - Alyssa Keane of Tinley Park (Andrew)
- 4th Place - Avery Crouch of Dwight
- 5th Place - Bella Castelli of Rockton (Hononegah)
- 6th Place - Holly Zugmaier of Edwardsville (H.S.)

## Girls – 140 Pounds



- 1st Place - Taylor Dawson of Collinsville
- 2nd Place - Maggie Zuber of Chicago (Mother McAuley)
- 3rd Place - Karen Canchola of Morton
- 4th Place - Ema Durst of Sycamore (H.S.)
- 5th Place - Jillian Giller of Winnetka (New Trier)
- 6th Place - Christiara Finley of Country Club Hills (Hillcrest)

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Girls – 145 Pounds



- 1st Place - Natalie Beaumont of Toledo (Cumberland)
- 2nd Place - Madeline Zerafa-Lazarevic of Schaumburg (H.S.)
- 3rd Place - Jenna Tuxhorn of Chatham (Glenwood)
- 4th Place - Allison Garbacz of South Elgin
- 5th Place - AJ Grant of Chicago (Phoenix Military Academy)
- 6th Place - Dempsey Atkinson of Rochelle

## Girls – 155 Pounds



- 1st Place - Callie Carr of Darien (Hinsdale South)
- 2nd Place - Kiyah Chavez of Oswego (H.S.)
- 3rd Place - Teagan Aurich of Plainfield (South)
- 4th Place - Nola Oben of Tinley Park (Andrew)
- 5th Place - Charvelle Mclain of Oak Lawn (Community)
- 6th Place - Akira Schick of Rock Falls



# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Girls – 170 Pounds



- 1st Place - Alicia Tucker of Plainfield (Central)  
2nd Place - August Rottmann of Highland  
3rd Place - Autumnne Williams of Peoria (Notre Dame)  
4th Place - Sara Martinez Lopera of Chicago (Kelly)  
5th Place - Lillian Garrett of Des Plaines (Maine West)  
6th Place - Anneliese Tavira of Hampshire

## Girls – 190 Pounds



- 1st Place - Josephine Larson of Lake Villa (Lakes)  
2nd Place - Payton Temple of Clifton (Central)  
3rd Place - Samantha Diehl of Hampshire  
4th Place - Jasmine Rene of Streamwood  
5th Place - Nadia Razzak of Schaumburg (H.S.)  
6th Place - Isabel Peralta of Oak Forest

# 2025 IHSA ALL-STATE WRESTLERS

## Girls – 235 Pounds



- 1st Place - Chloe Hoselton of Fairbury (Prairie Central)
- 2nd Place - Jasmine Mejia of Chicago (Rickover Naval Academy)
- 3rd Place - Phoenix Molina of Tolono (Unity)
- 4th Place - Lillian Disanto of Urbana (H.S.)
- 5th Place - Kirsten Kpoto of Moline (H.S.)
- 6th Place - Juliana Thrush of Ottawa (Twp.)





# 2025 IHSA INDIVIDUAL STATE CHAMPIONS

## CLASS 1A STATE CHAMPIONS



**Bottom row, from left:** Emmett Nelson of Richmond (R.-Burton), Dean Wainwright of Port Byron (Riverdale), Tyson Waughtel of Vandalia, Brayden Teunissen of Woodstock (Marian), Max Philpot of Vandalia, Charlie Flores of Hoopeston (H. Area)

**Top row, from left:** Eli Larson of Lena (L.-Winslow), Blake Smith of Port Byron (Riverdale), Jimmy Mastny of Woodstock (Marian), Drake Champlin of Wood River (East Alton-W.R.), Jackson Carroll of Glasford (Illini Bluffs), Taylor Finley of Tolono (Unity), Bowden Delaney of Tremont

# 2025 IHSA INDIVIDUAL STATE CHAMPIONS

## CLASS 2A STATE CHAMPIONS



**Bottom row, from left:** Kam Luif of Lombard (Montini), Allen Woo of Lombard (Montini), Deven Casey of Elmhurst (IC Catholic), Max Cumbee of Elmhurst (IC Catholic), Ray Long of Niles (Notre Dame), Noah Woods of Washington, Justus Heeg of New Lenox (Providence Catholic)

**Top row, from left:** Cody Moss of Chatham (Glenwood), Josh Hoffer of Washington, Brody Kelly of Elmhurst (IC Catholic), Pierre Walton of East St. Louis (Sr.), Wyatt Medlin of Washington, Peyton Cox of Washington, Judah Heeg of Lemont (H.S.)



# 2025 IHSA INDIVIDUAL STATE CHAMPIONS

## CLASS 3A STATE CHAMPIONS



**Bottom row, from left:** Jonathan Rulo of Belleville (East), MJ Rundell of Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest), Caleb Noble of Gurnee (Warren), Dom Munaretto of St. Charles (East), Nicholas Garcia of Aurora (Marmion Academy), Rocco Cassioppi of Rockton (Hononegah), Seth Mendoza of Chicago (Mt. Carmel), Aaron Stewart of Gurnee (Warren)

**Top row, from left:** Charles Walker of Joliet (Central), Ricky Ericksen of Chicago (Marist), Will Denny of Chicago (Marist), Liam Kelly of Chicago (Mt. Carmel), Evan Gosz of Palatine (Fremd), Carson Weber of Joliet (West)

# 2025 IHSA INDIVIDUAL STATE CHAMPIONS

## GIRLS STATE CHAMPIONS



**From left:** Saya Hongmoungkhoun of Rockford (East), Chloe Skiles of Roxana, Angelina Gochis of Maple Park (Kaneland), Harlee Hiller of Wilmette (Loyola Academy), Angelina Cassioppi of Rockton (Hononegah), Sophie Bowers of Vandalia, Sophia Ball of Hoffman Estates (H.S.), Claudia Heeney of Lockport (Twp.), Taylor Dawson of Collinsville, Natalie Beaumont of Toledo (Cumberland), Callie Carr of Darien (Hinsdale South), Alicia Tucker of Plainfield (Central), Josephine Larson of Lake Villa (Lakes), Chloe Hoselton of Fairbury (Prairie Central)



# 2025 IHSA STATE FINALS OFFICIALS

## 2025 Dual Team State Officials



**From Left:** Derek Ryan, Nathaniel Kessen, John Nudera, Raymond Eickelschulte, Dave Fellingner, Jason Timerman, Edward Bjes, Son Ho, Ramses James, Bill Honeycutt (coordinator of officials), Sam Knox (IHSA assistant executive director), Michael Hurckes (coordinator of officials), Marshall Grissom, Christopher Jordan, Terry Morgan, Michael Bondi, Dion Wiley, Ryan McMurray, Joshua Duplessis, Rich Vine, Ted Brandon

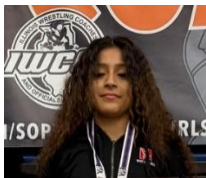


# 2025 IHSA STATE FINALS OFFICIALS

## 2025 Individual State Officials



**From Left:** Jeffrey Bowers, Ron Coit, Blake Ohren, Nathan Harris, Eddie Collins, Scott Holbrook, Donald McKillip, Nathaniel Kessen, Russell Henson, Michael Hurckes (coordinator of officials), Sam Knox (IHSA assistant executive director), Anthony Clarke (coordinator of officials), Kenneth Watkins, Shaye Broaddus, Cole Barringer, Joshua Anderson, Robert Zielinski, Shane Morgan, James Earner, Torrence Caniglia, Daniel S. McDonnell



**95**

- 1st Place - Annika Hull of Naperville (Central)
- 2nd Place - Mya Downs of Stanford (Olympia)
- 3rd Place - Monica Alvarez of New Lenox (Lincoln-Way Central)
- 4th Place - Kassandra Ruiz of Joliet (Central)
- 5th Place - Sierra Tuttle of Mahomet (M.-Seymour)
- 6th Place - Serenity Canady of Robinson
- 7th Place - Lillian O'Brien of Bloom
- 8th Place - Haley Richter of Heyworth



**100**

- 1st Place - Jivona Brown of Glen Ellyn (Glenbard West)
- 2nd Place - Addison Hadsall of Geneseo
- 3rd Place - Emily Peyton of New Lenox (Lincoln-Way Central)
- 4th Place - Leah Stringfellow of Northbrook (Glenbrook North)
- 5th Place - Haydee Cruz of Wheeling
- 6th Place - Madilyn Becker of Mahomet (M.-Seymour)
- 7th Place - Leah White of Peoria (Richwoods)
- 8th Place - Melanie Granada of Burlington Central



**105**

- 1st Place - Averi Colella of Lockport (Twp.)
- 2nd Place - Ashley Hammond of Elgin (Larkin)
- 3rd Place - Eliana Badeen of Maine East
- 4th Place - Angelina Nettey of Plainfield (East)
- 5th Place - Brissia Bucio of West Chicago (H.S.)
- 6th Place - Justice Girod of Schaumburg (H.S.)
- 7th Place - Briana Ramirez of Granite City
- 8th Place - Haydyn Williamson of Anna (A.-Jonesboro)



**110**

- 1st Place - Aaliyah Vazquez of Gurnee (Warren)
- 2nd Place - Reagan Madura of Springfield (Coop)
- 3rd Place - Eva Hermansson of Woodstock (H.S.)
- 4th Place - Addison Yacko of Streator (Twp.)
- 5th Place - Angelina Manlapaz of Villa Park (Willowbrook)
- 6th Place - Madizyn Megrant of Pekin
- 7th Place - Sydney Stieb of St. Charles (East)
- 8th Place - Evalyn Idzik of Arlington Heights (St. Viator)



**115**

- 1st Place - Janiya Moore of Aurora (Metee Valley)
- 2nd Place - Violet Pennington of Pekin
- 3rd Place - Gigi Linhorst of Edwardsville (H.S.)
- 4th Place - Makensi Martin of Morris
- 5th Place - Charlie Dolan of Elmhurst (York)
- 6th Place - America Camacho of Fox Lake (Grant)
- 7th Place - Kaylee Martinez of Aurora (West Aurora)
- 8th Place - Sophia Bradarich of Sherrard



**120**

- 1st Place - Taniyah Sherman of Kankakee (Sr.)
- 2nd Place - Aubrianna Rapier of Bradley (B.-Bourbonnais)
- 3rd Place - Isabella Rivas of Schaumburg (H.S.)
- 4th Place - Lailonie Molina of Aurora (West Aurora)
- 5th Place - Valentina Fantoni of Glenbard West
- 6th Place - Ryleigh Eriks of Rock Falls
- 7th Place - Mia Nevarez of Oswego (East)
- 8th Place - Ava Enright of Chicago (Marist)



**125**

- 1st Place - Sophie Crescenzo of Lisle (Sr.)
- 2nd Place - Piper Booe of Tinley Park (Andrew)
- 3rd Place - Sabina Charlebois of Minooka
- 4th Place - Olive Linhorst of Edwardsville (H.S.)
- 5th Place - Brooklyn Strelow of Oak Forest
- 6th Place - Kylie Mathis of Sherrard
- 7th Place - Zuzanna Wegiera of Naperville (Neuqua Valley)
- 8th Place - Randi Campe of Urbana (H.S.)



**130**

- 1st Place - Ariella Miloncus of Springfield [Coop]
- 2nd Place - Keagan Edwards of Carol Stream (Glenbard North)
- 3rd Place - Amyah Pruitt of Galesburg (H.S.)
- 4th Place - Bella Curcuru of Geneseo
- 5th Place - Natalia Cruz of Downers Grove (North)
- 6th Place - Anaya Campbell of Bolingbrook
- 7th Place - Caitlin Ruley of Lake Zurich
- 8th Place - April Ortiz of Joliet (Central)



**135**

- 1st Place - Alketa Picari of Aurora (Metee Valley)
- 2nd Place - Ewa Krupa of Hoffman Estates (Conant)
- 3rd Place - Lana Zimmerman of DeKalb
- 4th Place - Ava Weatherford of Ottawa (Twp.)
- 5th Place - Olyve Havens of Morris
- 6th Place - London Grant of Champaign (Central)
- 7th Place - Ruby Gavina of Carpentersville (Dundee-Crown)
- 8th Place - Alena Oshana of Maine East



**140**

- 1st Place - Isabella Miller of Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)
- 2nd Place - Suzanne Stalley of Carol Stream (Glenbard North)
- 3rd Place - Nicole Dziura of Barrington
- 4th Place - Tiyanha Hart of Hinsdale (Central)
- 5th Place - Aubrey Raban of Freeburg
- 6th Place - Arianna Rico of Naperville (Central)
- 7th Place - Sasha Johnson of Antioch
- 8th Place - Roxie Royster of Murphysboro



**145**

- 1st Place - Giancarla Garduno of Chicago (St. Ignatius)
- 2nd Place - Viktoria Rodnikova of Plainfield (North)
- 3rd Place - Savannah Burns of Bolingbrook
- 4th Place - Macee Hammond of Robinson
- 5th Place - Bailey Mitchell of New Lenox (Lincoln-Way Central)
- 6th Place - Tyanna Jackson of Gurnee (Warren)
- 7th Place - Rylee Hernandez of Tinley Park (H.S.)
- 8th Place - Hannah Marusarz of Burbank (St. Laurence)



**155**

- 1st Place - Nahima Mateo of Murphysboro
- 2nd Place - Kaitlyn Bucholz of Plainfield (East)
- 3rd Place - Miyalinna DeJesus of Glenbard West
- 4th Place - Brianna Crown of Woodstock (H.S.)
- 5th Place - Paytyn Dykes of Tremont
- 6th Place - Madeline Chicas of Wheeling
- 7th Place - Avelina McMurtry of Sycamore (H.S.)
- 8th Place - Emma Gischer of Roxana



**170**

- 1st Place - Sydney Johnson of Peoria (Richwoods)
- 2nd Place - Denver Gier of Cary (C.-Grove)
- 3rd Place - Caliyah Campbell of Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)
- 4th Place - Iyjah Grant of Champaign (Central)
- 5th Place - Lauryn Trotter of Yorkville (H.S.)
- 6th Place - Brynn Swyers of Vandalia
- 7th Place - Sarah Parker of Chicago (Marist)
- 8th Place - Linda Villa of Rockton (Hononegah)



**190**

- 1st Place - Anali Wilson of Berwyn-Cicero (Morton)
- 2nd Place - Izabell McBride of Waterloo (H.S.)
- 3rd Place - Nadine Spandary of Lombard (Glenbard East)
- 4th Place - Irma Villa Colunga of Palatine (H.S.)
- 5th Place - Riley Depolo of New Lenox (Lincoln-Way Central)
- 6th Place - Phoebe Heyboer of Blue Island (Eisenhower)
- 7th Place - Andre'a Kirkpatrick of Belleville (West)
- 8th Place - Addison Briggs of Westville



**235**

- 1st Place - Asreilla Wallace of Carol Stream (Glenbard North)
- 2nd Place - Karrine Jenkins of Palos Heights (Shepard)
- 3rd Place - Marley Clark of Peoria (Richwoods)
- 4th Place - Ariana Bonilla of West Chicago (H.S.)
- 5th Place - Lilli Ortiz of Aurora (East)
- 6th Place - Thanh Dinh of Glen Ellyn (Glenbard West)
- 7th Place - Nala Hernandez of McHenry
- 8th Place - Savannah Trevino of Belvidere (North)

# 2025 IWCOA Girls Championship Series Place Winners





**101**

- 1st Place - Rocco Valvano of Wheaton Warrenville South
- 2nd Place - Mike Bird of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)
- 3rd Place - Cam Whitehead of Winnebago
- 4th Place - Brayden Sroka of Zion Benton
- 5th Place - Aidan Ambre of West Aurora
- 6th Place - Nathan Powers of Lincolnway East
- 7th Place - Lucas Crandall of Fremd
- 8th Place - Austin Jones of Alton (Sr.)



**106**

- 1st Place - Gabe Richmond of West Aurora
- 2nd Place - Tanner Stone of Downers Grove South
- 3rd Place - Drew Murante of Elmhurst (IC Catholic)
- 4th Place - Parker Barry of Morris
- 5th Place - Matthew Blanke of Barrington
- 6th Place - Stone McKone of Buffalo Grove
- 7th Place - Julian Hartwig of DeKalb
- 8th Place - Kyler Guercio of Lawerenceville



**113**

- 1st Place - Roberto Rangel of Marist
- 2nd Place - Zach Hoffner of Bourbonnais
- 3rd Place - Mason Soney of Normal
- 4th Place - Emanuel Rangel of West Chicago
- 5th Place - Santiago Trejo-Huerigo of Addison Trail
- 6th Place - Breiodyn Hoffman of Grant
- 7th Place - Nathan Fisher of Cahokia (H.S.)
- 8th Place - Landon Jenkins of Yorkville (H.S.)



**120**

- 1st Place - Enrique Garcia of Jacobs
- 2nd Place - Mykola Shamray of Buffalo Grove
- 3rd Place - Eric Hoselton of Lincoln-Way Central
- 4th Place - Matthew Laird of Joliet (Catholic Academy)
- 5th Place - Joseph Pedrosa of Joliet West
- 6th Place - Colin Phelan of Marist
- 7th Place - Nolan Chrissie of Yorkville (H.S.)
- 8th Place - Collin Ledbetter of Moline



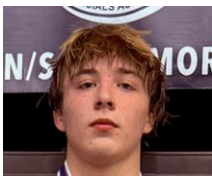
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- 1st Place - Jadon Dinwiddie of Downers Grove South
- 2nd Place - Jayden Hernandez of St. Charles (East)
- 3rd Place - Joshua Theis of Lincolnway East
- 4th Place - Jacob Crawford of Marist
- 5th Place - Maricio Parker of Rock Island (H.S.)
- 6th Place - Lukas Quartz of Freeburg
- 7th Place - Koby Clark of Ottawa (Marquette)
- 8th Place - Roman Ocampo of Glenbrook South



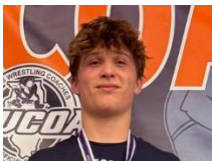
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- 1st Place - Adante Washington of Homewood Flossmoor
- 2nd Place - Aiden Quevedo of Schaumburg (H.S.)
- 3rd Place - Shane Stream of Lincolnway West
- 4th Place - Housseyn Ndiaye of Moline
- 5th Place - Trey Boston of Auburn
- 6th Place - Jonathan Kopcio of Aurora (Marmion Academy)
- 7th Place - Vincent Konecki of Yorkville (H.S.)
- 8th Place - Lincoln Yerby of Morton



**138**

- 1st Place - Jaxon Jorgensen of Chicago (Mt. Carmel)
- 2nd Place - Gavin Nischke of Huntley
- 3rd Place - Braxton Tolley of Granite City
- 4th Place - Caiden Heath of Amboy
- 5th Place - Nolan Variano of Hersey
- 6th Place - Jay Doherty of Wheaton North
- 7th Place - Jayden Cooper of Bourbonnais
- 8th Place - Brody Hinkle of Schaumburg (H.S.)



**144**

- 1st Place - Christian Chiarelli of Downers Grove North
- 2nd Place - Cale Hilbing of Quincy (Notre Dame)
- 3rd Place - Austin Kistner of Stanford (Olympia)
- 4th Place - Timothy Garmon of Naperville North
- 5th Place - Khalid Eid of St Laurence
- 6th Place - Elijah Flowers of Bolingbrook
- 7th Place - Jayden Patterson-Veal of Sarah Goode
- 8th Place - John Gough of Schaumburg (H.S.)

# 2025 IWCOA Boys Championship Series Place Winners



**150**

- 1st Place - Tallis Taylor of Glenbard West
- 2nd Place - Malan Hatfield of West Aurora
- 3rd Place - Samer Suleiman of Stagg
- 4th Place - Gavin Watson of Sparta
- 5th Place - Brady Miller of Hinsdale South
- 6th Place - Landon Weidler of Belleville East
- 7th Place - Ben Mullins of Robinson
- 8th Place - Kaden Collins of Stanford (Olympia)



**157**

- 1st Place - Nicholas Hermesen of Warren
- 2nd Place - Will Julian of Byron
- 3rd Place - Maximus Delgado of Yorkville (H.S.)
- 4th Place - Christian Czerwinski of Lockport
- 5th Place - Julian Rammelkamp of Chatham (Glenwood)
- 6th Place - Xavier Smiley of Glenbard North
- 7th Place - Brody McKenna of Wauconda
- 8th Place - Ethan Waugh of Stillman Valley



**165**

- 1st Place - Reily Leifheit of Ottawa (Marquette)
- 2nd Place - Kayden Roach of Bourbonnais
- 3rd Place - Mark Aeschliman of Metamora Township
- 4th Place - Jeremy Hamm of Niles Notre Dame
- 5th Place - James Escobar of Rochester
- 6th Place - Kevin May of Lombard (Montini)
- 7th Place - Samuel Cushman of Barrington
- 8th Place - Alen Bautista of Addison Trail



**175**

- 1st Place - Kaden Meyer of Minooka
- 2nd Place - Sergio Baity of Centennial
- 3rd Place - James Scanio of Libertyville
- 4th Place - Aiden Rodriguez of Prairie Ridge
- 5th Place - Santiago Moya of MORTON - Berwyn-Cicero
- 6th Place - Eli Miller of Granite City
- 7th Place - Justin Langford of Lincoln-Way Central
- 8th Place - Isiah Robinson of Proviso West



**190**

- 1st Place - Payton Chanerl of O'Fallon (H.S.)
- 2nd Place - Ryker Czubak of Downers Grove South
- 3rd Place - Rowan Stockwell of Rock Island (H.S.)
- 4th Place - Malachi Congo of Morris
- 5th Place - Bohdan Postoroniuk of Metea Valley
- 6th Place - Jacob Tyderek of Joliet West
- 7th Place - Aiden Larson of Lena Winslow
- 8th Place - Daniel Bourboulas of Normal



**215**

- 1st Place - Colten Mooney of Geneseo
- 2nd Place - Dane Olmstead of Freeburg
- 3rd Place - Phin Codinha Iv of Glenbard West
- 4th Place - Caybren Hubbard of Murphysboro
- 5th Place - Braylon Hill-Lomax of Edwardsville (H.S.)
- 6th Place - Aiden Bishop of Joliet (Catholic Academy)
- 7th Place - Shane Falasca of Richmond (R-Burton)
- 8th Place - Chris Cali of Downers Grove South



**285**

- 1st Place - Josh Stahl of Geneseo
- 2nd Place - Sean Cook of Niles Notre Dame
- 3rd Place - Marquwan Young of Washington
- 4th Place - Maddox McRoberts of Sycamore
- 5th Place - Michael Danial of Downers Grove South
- 6th Place - Daniel Dalach of Joliet (Catholic Academy)
- 7th Place - Jack Amann of Freeburg
- 8th Place - Alijah Martin of Moline



# MOST OUTSTANDING WRESTLERS

2025 Class 1A \_\_\_\_\_

2A \_\_\_\_\_

3A \_\_\_\_\_

Girls \_\_\_\_\_

## Criteria for selecting the Most Outstanding Wrestler are as follows:

1. Must be a State Champion in 2025

## NOMINEES

### Class 1A

Jackson Carroll, Glasford (Illini Bluffs)  
Jimmy Mastny, Woodstock (Marian)  
Emmett Nelson, Richmond (R.-Burton)  
Max Philpot, Vandalia  
Tyson Waughtel, Vandalia

### Class 3A

Will Denny, Chicago (Marist)  
Seth Mendoza, Chicago (Mt. Carmel)  
Caleb Noble, Gurnee (Warren)  
Jonathan Rulo, Belleville (East)  
Charles Walker, Joliet (Central)

### Class 2A

Peyton Cox, Washington  
Justus Heeg, New Lenox (Providence Catholic)  
Wyatt Medlin, Washington  
Pierre Walton, East St. Louis (Sr.)  
Noah Woods, Washington

### Girls

Sophia Ball, Hoffman Estates (H.S.)  
Sophie Bowers, Vandalia  
Angelina Cassioppi, Rockton (Hononegah)  
Saya Hongmoungkhoun, Rockford (East)  
Chloe Hoselton, Fairbury (Prairie Central)

## PAST RECIPIENTS

1971 – John King, DeKalb  
1972 – Mark Tiffany, Waukegan  
1973 – Bob Holland, East Leyden  
1974 – Class A – Marty Williams, Yorkville  
1974 – Class AA – Dave Powell, St. Charles  
1975 – Class A – Brian Lantz, Stillman Valley  
1975 – Class AA – Robert Fleming, Bloom  
1976 – Class A – Joe Fosdick, Savanna  
1976 – Class AA – King Mueller, Bolingbrook  
1977 – Class A – Mark Mitchell, Minooka  
1977 – Class AA – Geno Savegnago, Glenbard North  
1978 – Class A – Colin Johnson, Stillman Valley  
1978 – Class AA – Jerry Kelly, Richards  
1979 – Class A – Mike Kos, Waubonsie Valley  
1979 – Class AA – Jim Farina, East Leyden  
1980 – Class A – Mark Ruettiger, Providence  
1980 – Class AA – Ernie Vatch, Addison Trail  
1981 – Class A – Mark Ruettiger, Providence  
1981 – Class AA – Todd Sterr, Joliet West  
1982 – Class A – Doug Younger, Mahomet-Seymour  
1982 – Class AA – Mike Kraft, West Chicago  
1983 – Class A – Vince Fisher, Fairfield  
1983 – Class AA – Tim Wright, Rock Island  
1984 – Class A – Dave Smith, Mahomet-Seymour  
1984 – Class AA – Chris Rosman, Palatine (Fremd)  
1985 – Class A – Charles Hammack, Jacksonville (ISD)  
1985 – Class AA – Kerry Ryan, Conant  
1985 – Class AA – Kip Kristoff, Bethalto (Civic Memorial)

1986 – Class A – Rich Powers, Marian Central  
1986 – Class AA – Jack Griffin, Stagg  
1987 – Class A – Rich Powers, Marian Central  
1987 – Class AA – Kirk Mammen, Urbana  
1988 – Class A – Bob Mena, Sterling Newman  
1988 – Class AA – Joey Gilbert, Tinley Park (Andrew)  
1989 – Class A – Brett Camden, Mahomet-Seymour  
1989 – Class AA – Joe Gilbert, Tinley Park (Andrew)  
1990 – Class A – Aaron Fancher – Mahomet-Seymour  
1990 – Class AA – Jeff Mirabella, Elgin  
1991 – Class A – Rob Felstead, Sandwich  
1991 – Class AA – Steve Williams, Chicago (Mt. Carmel)  
1992 – Class A – Mike Mena, Sterling Newman  
1992 – Class AA – Joe Williams, Chicago (Mt. Carmel)  
1993 – Class A – Jesse Kennedy, Prophetstown  
1993 – Class AA – Joe Williams, Chicago (Mt. Carmel)  
1994 – Class A – Jose Villarreal, Plano  
1994 – Class AA – Dan Collins, Palatine  
1995 – Class A – Tyler Hurry, Riverdale  
1995 – Class AA – Reggie Wright, Maywood (Proviso E.)  
1996 – Class A – Tom LeCuyer, Plano  
1996 – Class AA – T.J. Williams, Chicago (Mt. Carmel)  
1997 – Class A – Todd Combes, Coal City  
1997 – Class AA – David Douglas, Thornridge  
1998 – Class A – Brad Owens, Mt. Zion  
1998 – Class AA – Matt Lackey, Moline  
1999 – Class A – Ben Hay, Sandwich  
1999 – Class AA – Jason Potter, St. Charles

2000 – Class A – Steve Amy, Taylor Rockridge  
 2000 – Class AA – Israel Martinez, West Aurora  
 2001 – Class A – Tyrone Byrd, Clinton  
 2001 – Class AA – Matt Kucala, Providence  
 2002 – Class A – Chase Beebe, Montini  
 2002 – Class AA – Mike Behnke, Willowbrook  
 2003 – Class A – Chase Beebe, Montini  
 2003 – Class AA – Eric Tannenbaum, Naperville  
 2004 – Class A – John Wise, Pittsfield  
 2004 – Class AA – Mike Poeta, Highland Park  
 2005 – Class A – Conor Beebe, Lombard (Montini)  
 2005 – Class AA – Nick Fanthorpe, Naperville (North)  
 2006 – Class A – Matt Wenger, Dakota  
 2006 – Class AA – John Dergo, Morris  
 2007 – Class A – Clayton Rush, Aledo  
 2007 – Class AA – Mike Benefiel, Lombard (Montini)  
 2008 – Class A – Tom Fritz, Wilmington  
 2008 – Class AA – Jordan Blanton, Richmond-Burton  
 2009 – Class 1A – Seth Milks, Dakota  
 2009 – Class 2A – Joe Roth, Dixon  
 2009 – Class 3A – Tony Ramos, Glenbard North  
 2010 – Class 1A – Guy Kirby, GCMSF  
 2010 – Class 2A – Ben Whitford, Marmion Academy  
 2010 – Class 3A – Lee Munster, Fox Lake (Grant)  
 2011 – Class 1A – Nick Harrison, Stillman Valley  
 2011 – Class 2A – Joey Kielbasa, Crystal Lake (Central)  
 2011 – Class 3A – Edwin Cooper, Providence Catholic  
 2012 – Class 1A – Alphonso Vruno, Sandwich  
 2012 – Class 2A – Zane Richards, Carbondale  
 2012 – Class 3A – Max Schneider, Chicago (Lane Tech)  
 2013 – Class 1A – Josh Alber, Dakota  
 2013 – Class 2A – Cameron Mammen, Urbana  
 2013 – Class 3A – Kyle Langenderfer, Lincoln-Way East  
 2014 – Class 1A – Josh Alber, Dakota  
 2014 – Class 2A – Tanner Farmer, Highland  
 2014 – Class 3A – Jered Cortez, Glenbard North

2014 – Class 3A – Johnny Jimenez, Marmion Academy  
 2015 – Class 1A – Carver James, Dakota  
 2015 – Class 2A – Hunter Grau, Dakota  
 2015 – Class 2A – Xavier Montalvo, Lombard (Montini)  
 2015 – Class 3A – Rudy Yates, Orland Park (Sandburg)  
 2016 – Class 1A – Kyle Betourne, Kankakee (McNamara)  
 2016 – Class 2A – Hunter Grau, Geneseo  
 2016 – Class 3A – Rudy Yates, Orland Park (Sandburg)  
 2017 – Class 1A – Nolan Baker, Byron  
 2017 – Class 2A – Jacob Warner, Washington  
 2017 – Class 3A – Austin O'Connor, Chicago (St. Rita)  
 2018 – Class 1A – Danny Braunagel, Belleville (Althoff)  
 2018 – Class 2A – Cody Baldridge, Morris  
 2018 – Class 3A – Anthony Cassioppi, Rockton (Hononegah)  
 2019 – Class 1A – Noah Villarreal, Aurora (A. Christian)  
 2019 – Class 2A – Luke Luffman, Urbana  
 2019 – Class 3A – Abe Assad, Carol Stream (Glenbard North)  
 2020 – Class 1A – Daniel Jezik, Coal City  
 2020 – Class 2A – Noah Villareal, Aurora (A. Christian)  
 2020 – Class 3A – David Ferrante, Huntley  
 2022 – Class 1A – Maddux Blakely, Dakota  
 2022 – Class 2A – Kannon Webster, Washington  
 2022 – Class 3A – Kole Brower, Moline  
 2022 – Girls – Angelina Cassioppi, Rockton (Hononegah)  
 2023 – Class 1A – Phoenix Blakely, Dakota  
 2023 – Class 2A – Kannon Webster, Washington  
 2023 – Class 3A – Nasir Bailey, Richton Park (Rich Town)  
 2023 – Girls – Sydney Perry, Batavia  
 2024 – Class 1A – Noah Wenzel, Dakota  
 2024 – Class 2A – Matty Johns, Grayslake (Central)  
 2024 – Class 3A – Ben Davino, St. Charles (East)  
 2024 – Girls – Sydney Perry, Batavia

# ASSISTANT COACHES OF THE YEAR

2025 Class 1A \_\_\_\_\_

2A \_\_\_\_\_

3A \_\_\_\_\_

Girls \_\_\_\_\_

## Criteria for selecting the Assistant Coach of the Year are as follows:

1. Member of the IWCOA
2. Has been involved in Illinois Wrestling for a minimum of five years
3. Coach at the same school for the past three consecutive years

## NOMINEES

### Class 1A

Zach Berman, Coal City  
Jeff Bewley, Sandwich  
Ron Falk, Monticello  
Tim Finch, Taylor Ridge (Rockridge)  
Corey Ford, Belleville (Althoff Catholic)

### Class 2A

Tyler Baker, Rochelle  
Mark Miller, Mahomet (M.-Seymour)  
Jessie Montez, Geneseo  
Bradley Randolph, Oak Forest  
Malcolm Watson, Chicago (St. Ignatius)

### Class 3A

Justin Farmer, New Lenox (Lincoln-Way West)  
Joe Fornell, Yorkville (H.S.)  
Larry Pennuto, Joliet (Central)  
Greg Ventris, Moline  
Sam Walt, DeKalb

### Girls

Jeff Castor, Mahomet (M.-Seymour)  
Matt Gruszka, Schaumburg (H.S.)  
Conor Infeliese, DeKalb  
Carley Rusk, Geneseo  
Matt Todd, Hampshire

## PAST RECIPIENTS

1983 – Class A – Jim Butterback, Minooka  
1983 – Class AA – Chuck Epton, Fenton  
1984 – Class A – Ken Cummins, Plano  
1984 – Class AA – Al Berman, Palatine  
1985 – Class A – Jim Risley, Mahomet-Seymour  
1985 – Class AA – Tom Flanigan, Conant  
1986 – Class A – Ken Cummins, Plano  
1986 – Class AA – Charles Flowers, Proviso East  
1987 – Class A – Darryl Dieterle, Sterling (Newman)  
1987 – Class AA – Dale Eggert, Libertyville  
1988 – Class A – Jim Risley, Mahomet-Seymour  
1988 – Class AA – Carl Gebhardt, Leyden  
1989 – Class A – Kevin Carrino, Coal City  
1989 – Class AA – Terry McCoy, DeKalb  
1990 – Class A – Neal Schultz, Harvard  
1990 – Class AA – Dick Linnenberger, Kaneland  
1991 – Class A – Dave Schmelzle, Yorkville  
1991 – Class AA – Tom Miller, Libertyville  
1992 – Class A – Ken Bonomo, Lisle  
1992 – Class AA – Randall Konstans, Aurora West  
1993 – Class A – Dick Linnenberger, Kaneland  
1993 – Class AA – Ron Oglesby, Mt. Carmel  
1994 – Class A – Kevin Carrino, Coal City  
1994 – Class AA – Randy Conrad, Conant  
1994 – Class AA – Lance Gackowski, DeKalb  
2010 – Class 1A – Kevin Standley, Petersburg (Porta)  
2010 – Class 2A – Mark Ruettiger, Lincoln-Way West  
2010 – Class 3A – Mark Butterbach, Minooka  
2011 – Class 1A – Jeff Baughman, LeRoy  
2011 – Class 2A – Collin McKillip, Richmond Burton  
2011 – Class 3A – Tony Siebert, Orland Park (Carl Sandburg)  
2012 – Class 1A – Scott Stitch, Lena-Winslow  
2012 – Class 2A – Tim Duggan, Chicago (St. Patrick)  
2012 – Class 3A – Mike Polz, Orland Park (Carl Sandburg)  
2013 – Class 1A – Mark Shell, Wilmington  
2013 – Class 2A – Rory Heller, Mahomet-Seymour  
2013 – Class 3A – Ryan Egan, Chicago (Marist)  
2014 – Class 1A – Tony Alber, Dakota  
2014 – Class 2A – Rich Sheley, Geneseo  
2014 – Class 3A – Donny Reynolds, Marmion Academy  
2015 – Class 1A – Matt Jacobs, Dakota  
2015 – Class 2A – Tom Rusk, Geneseo  
2015 – Class 3A – Jake Oster, Yorkville  
2016 – Class 1A – Jim Looper, Coal City  
2016 – Class 2A – Nick Miller, Washington  
2016 – Class 3A – Ben Gerdes, New Lenox (Providence)  
2017 – Class 1A – Carmelo Flores, Chicago (Hope Academy)  
2017 – Class 2A – Bill Eastman & Micah Hey, Dixon  
2017 – Class 3A – Matt Bartley, Lockport  
2018 – Class 1A – Matt Shroyer, Vandalia



1995 – Class A – Jason Byrd, Princeton  
1995 – Class AA – Greg Garland, Granite City  
1996 – Class A – Kevin Cotter, Byron  
1996 – Class A – Jerry Kelly, Monticello  
1996 – Class AA – Otto Zeman, LaGrange  
1996 – Class AA – Paul Carther, Moline  
1997 – Class A – Steve Combes, Mahomet-Seymour  
1997 – Class AA – Gary Hutchinson, Waubonsie Valley  
1998 – Class A – Jim Izzo, Lombard (Montini)  
1998 – Class AA – Randy Konstans, Aurora West  
1999 – Class A – Mike Troll, Olympia  
1999 – Class AA – Dave Berendt, Maine West  
1999 – Class AA – Rich Harvey, DeKalb  
2000 – Class A – Bruce Payne, Prairie Central  
2000 – Class AA – Kent Garrett, Glenbard North  
2000 – Class AA – John Kane, Conant  
2001 – Class A – Dan Barclay, Clinton  
2001 – Class AA – Scott Richardson, Providence  
2002 – Class A – Brian Lee, Porta  
2002 – Class A – Dennis McAnally, Sandwich  
2002 – Class AA – Dennis McCann, Maine South  
2003 – Class A – Scott Stitch, Lena-Winslow  
2003 – Class AA – Dave Hejtmanek, West Aurora  
2004 – Class A – John Dziewiatkowski, Montini  
2004 – Class AA – Pat Manning, Niles Norte Dame  
2005 – Class A – Kris Cassie, Sandwich  
2005 – Class AA – Eric Siebert, Sandburg  
2006 – Class A – Troy Milks, Dakota  
2006 – Class A – Neil Schultz, Harvard  
2006 – Class AA – Bob Kuykendall, Mundelein (Carmel)  
2007 – Class A – Marty Cotter, Prairie Central  
2007 – Class AA – Paige Schoolman, Minooka  
2008 – Class A – Ed Van Duyne, Wilmington  
2008 – Class AA – Adam Kleywig, Hinsdale South  
2009 – Class 1A – Mark Shell, Wilmington  
2009 – Class 2A – Aaron Fancher, Mahomet-Seymour  
2009 – Class 3A – Jeff Charlebois, Minooka

2018 – Class 2A – Carl Harvey, Rochelle  
2018 – Class 2A – Mark Kristoff, Cahokia  
2018 – Class 3A – Max Hiatt, DeKalb  
2019 – Class 1A – Steve Brown, Lena-Winslow-Stockton  
2019 – Class 2A – Nick O'Bert, Coal City  
2019 – Class 3A – Andy Hiatt, DeKalb  
2020 – Class 1A – Matt Jacobs, Dakota  
2020 – Class 2A – Erik Murry, Lemont  
2020 – Class 3A – J.D. Oliva, DeKalb  
2022 – Class 1A – Josh Alber, Dakota  
2022 – Class 2A – Craig Acree, Mahomet Seymour  
2022 – Class 2A – Ben Gerdes, Joliet Catholic  
2022 – Class 3A – Max Hiatt, Dekalb  
2023 – Class 1A – Jim Looper/Joe Widlowski, Coal City  
2023 – Class 2A – Matt Webster, Washington  
2023 – Class 3A – Grant Hoerr, Park Ridge (Maine South)  
2023 – Girls – Jeff Charlebois, Minooka  
2024 – Class 1A – Nick O'Bert, Coal City  
2024 – Class 2A – Nelson Baker, Rochelle  
2024 – Class 3A – Joe Barczak, St. Charles (East)  
2024 – Girls – Carly Foster, Edwardsville

# HEAD COACHES OF THE YEAR

2025 Class 1A \_\_\_\_\_

2A \_\_\_\_\_

3A \_\_\_\_\_

Girls \_\_\_\_\_

## Criteria for selecting the Head Coach of the Year are as follows:

1. Member of the IWCOA
2. Has been involved in Illinois Wrestling for a minimum of five years
3. Coach at the same school for the past three consecutive years

## NOMINEES

### Class 1A

Jordan Blanton, Woodstock (Marian)  
Tony Nelson, Richmond (R.-Burton)  
Logan Patton, Tolono (Unity)  
Dan Willis, Chicago (C. Hope Academy)

### Class 2A

Eagan Berta, Lemont  
Charlie Curran, Wheeling  
Jon Murray, Geneseo  
Rob Ledin, Mahomet (M.-Seymour)  
Jon Murray, Geneseo  
Donny Reynolds, New Lenox (Providence Catholic)

### Class 3A

Paul Collins, Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)  
Tyler Demoss, Rockton (Hononegah)  
Trevor Kaufman, Normal (Community)  
Pat McGovern, Joliet (Central)  
Jake Oster, Yorkville (H.S.)

### Girls

Jeff Castor, Mahomet (M.-Seymour)  
Matt Gruszka, Schaumburg (H.S.)  
Conor Infeliese, DeKalb  
Carley Rusk, Geneseo  
Matt Todd, Hampshire  
Josh West, Maple Park (Kaneland)

## PAST RECIPIENTS

1969 – Joe Vavrus, Moline  
1970 – Bob Therry, North Chicago  
1971 – Tom Porter, Hersey  
1972 – Bert Hanlin, East Moline  
1973 – Steve Weiss, Fenton  
1974 – Class A – Charles Anderson, Savanna  
1974 – Class AA – Bob Campbell, Rich Central  
1975 – Class A – George Girardi, University High  
1975 – Class AA – Tom Koenig, Bloom (Co-Winner)  
1975 – Class AA – Tom Henniff, Richards (Co-Winner)  
1976 – Class AA – Tom Koenig, Bloom  
1977 – Class A – Charles Anderson, Savanna  
1977 – Class AA – Charles Farina, East Leyden  
1978 – Class A – John Sciacchi, Harvard  
1978 – Class AA – Charles Farina, East Leyden  
1979 – Class A – Charles Anderson, Savanna  
1979 – Class AA – Tony Parks, Addison Trail  
1980 – Class A – Charles Anderson, Savanna  
1980 – Class AA – Bill Cartwright, Proviso East  
1981 – Class A – Tim Reuttiger, Providence  
1981 – Class AA – Mike Cookas, Joliet West  
1982 – Class A – Pat O’Conner, Illini Bluffs  
1982 – Class AA – Ron Ray, Bloom Trail  
1983 – Class A – Richard Holtfreter, Harvard  
1983 – Class AA – Jim Cartwright, Conant  
2003 – Class A – Joe Cliffe, Fairbury (Prairie Central)  
2003 – Class AA – Dan Carroll, Chicago (St. Rita)  
2004 – Class A – Mike Kurth, Roxana  
2004 – Class AA – Al Zinke, Dundee-Crown  
2005 – Class A – Pete Alber, Dakota  
2005 – Class AA – Mike Polz, Sandburg  
2006 – Class A – Rob Murphy, Wilmington  
2006 – Class A – John Ruettiger, Lisle  
2006 – Class AA – Ryan Geist, Grant  
2007 – Class A – Jeff Hill, Petersburg Porta  
2007 – Class AA – Marty Kaiser, Rockton (Hononegah)  
2008 – Class A – Ben Morris, Stillman Valley  
2008 – Class AA – Mike Bukovsky, Lombard (Montini)  
2009 – Class 1A – Doug DeWald, LeRoy  
2009 – Class 2A – Shane Darnell, Yorkville  
2009 – Class 3A – Mike Powell, Oak Park River Forest  
2010 – Class 1A – Joe Cliffe, Fairbury (Prairie Central)  
2010 – Class 2A – Chauncey Carrick, Sycamore  
2010 – Class 3A – Bernie Ruettiger, Minooka  
2011 – Class 1A – Rob Murphy, Wilmington  
2011 – Class 2A – Justin Lehr, Crystal Lake (Central)  
2011 – Class 3A – Mark Hahn, Carol Stream (Glenbard N.)  
2012 – Class 1A – Kevin Milder, Lena-Winslow  
2012 – Class 2A – Brian Glynn, New Lenox (Linc-Way W)  
2012 – Class 2A – Ron Wilson, Chicago (Bowen)

1984 – Class A – Marty Williams, Mahomet-Seymour	2012 – Class 3A – Eric Siebert, Orland Park (Sandburg)
1984 – Class AA – Dave Anderson, Stagg	2013 – Class 1A – Pete Alber, Dakota
1985 – Class A – Rich Montgomery, Sterling-Newman	2013 – Class 2A – Steve Rockford, Springfield Southeast
1985 – Class AA – Mac McLaughlin, Joliet Central	2013 – Class 3A – Jason DePolo, Lincoln-Way Central
1986 – Class A – Marty Williams, Mahomet-Seymour	2014 – Class 1A – Mike Elsbury, Byron
1986 – Class AA – Bill Cartwright, Proviso East	2014 – Class 2A – Bryan Medlin, Washington
1987 – Class A – Rich Holtfreter, Harvard	2014 – Class 3A – Mike Powell, Oak Park River Forest
1987 – Class AA – Mark Gervais, Marist	2015 – Class 1A – Mark Masters, Coal City
1988 – Class A – Marty Williams, Mahomet-Seymour	2015 – Class 2A – Jon Murray, Geneseo
1988 – Class AA – Tim Ruettiger, Providence	2015 – Class 3A – Josh Oster, Lockport
1989 – Class A – Marty Williams, Mahomet-Seymour	2016 – Class 1A – Jason Clay, Vandalia
1989 – Class AA – Mike Polz, Providence	2016 – Class 2A – John Kading, Chicago (Mt. Carmel)
1990 – Class A – Rick Amy, Rockridge	2016 – Class 3A – Keith Healy, New Lenox (Providence)
1990 – Class AA – Bob Trombetta, Burbank (St. Laurence)	2017 – Class 1A – Kevin Milder, Lena-Winslow
1991 – Class A – Lon Gerrish, Sandwich	2017 – Class 2A – Chris Bishop, Dixon
1991 – Class AA – Bill Cartwright, Proviso East	2017 – Class 3A – Brian Glynn, Lincoln-Way West
1992 – Class A – Tim Haak, Harvard	2018 – Class 1A – Tod McCullough, Erie-Prophetstown
1992 – Class AA – Mark King, LaGrange (Lyons Twp)	2018 – Class 2A – Richard Harvey, Rochelle
1993 – Class A – Bob Long, Yorkville	2018 – Class 3A – B.J. Bertlesman, Huntley
1993 – Class AA – Jeff Newmark, Chicago (Lane Tech)	2019 – Class 1A – Josh Collins, Heyworth
1994 – Class A – Tom Unruh, Dakota	2019 – Class 2A – Mark Masters, Coal City
1994 – Class AA – Bill Weick, Chicago (Mt. Carmel)	2019 – Class 3A – Sam Hiatt, DeKalb
1995 – Class A – Bob Baker, Byron	2020 – Class 1A – Pete Alber, Dakota
1995 – Class AA – Mike Garland, Granite City	2020 – Class 2A – John St. Clair, Lemont
1996 – Class A – Lon Gerrish, Sandwich	2020 – Class 3A – Dave Udchik, Barrington
1996 – Class AA – Todd Rosenthal, Moline	2022 – Class 1A – TJ Williams, Tremont
1997 – Class A – Mike Papini, Oregon	2022 – Class 2A – Ryan Cumbee, Joliet Catholic
1997 – Class AA – Keith Healey, Providence	2022 – Class 3A – Alex Tsirstis, Chicago (Mount Carmel)
1998 – Class A – Mike Bukovsky, Lombard (Montini)	2023 – Class 1A – Mark Masters, Coal City
1998 – Class AA – Mark Eagen, Main West	2023 – Class 2A – Nick Miller, Washington
1999 – Class A – Bob Baker, Byron	2023 – Class 3A – Jason Potter, St. Charles (East)
1999 – Class AA – Chuck Rossetti, Willowbrook	2023 – Girls – Liz Short, Joliet
2000 – Class A – Rob Ledin, Clinton	2024 – Class 1A – Tyrus Carter, Red Bud
2000 – Class AA – Jim Cartwright, Conant	2024 – Class 1A – Ian O'Connor, Glasford (Illini Bluffs)
2000 – Class AA – Todd Rosenthal, Moline	2024 – Class 2A – Noah O'Connor, Lemont
2000 – Class AA – Rudy Salinas, Lane Tech	2024 – Class 2A – Evan Willock, Normal (West)
2001 – Class A – Mike Manahan, Stanford Olympia	2024 – Class 3A – Owen McGrory, Libertyville
2001 – Class AA – Mark Hahn, Glenbard North	2024 – Girls – Sarah Ephstein, Oak Park-River Forest
2002 – Class A – Mike Bukovsky, Lombard (Montini)	
2002 – Class AA – Keith Healy, Providence	





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## **NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC COACHES ASSOCIATION**

**On behalf of the NHSACA the IWCOA is proud to announce Illinois' representative as a National Finalist for Wrestling Coach of the Year. National Coach of the Year Recipient will be introduced at the NHSACA Annual Awards Banquet, June 25, 2025 in Rapid City, SD.**

**2025 Wrestling Coach of the Year Finalist-Jason Clay, Vandalia**

### **Past Award Recipients**

**2024 Rob Ledin, Mahomet (M.-Seymour),  
Wrestling COTY Finalist**

**2023-Dale Eggert, Libertyville, Wrestling  
COTY Finalist**

**2023-Rob Porter, Naperville (Central), Asst.  
COTY Finalist**

**2022-Jeff Hill, Petersburg (PORTA),  
Wrestling COTY Finalist**

**2019-Mark Hahn, Carol Stream (Glenbard  
North), Wrestling COTY Finalist**

**2017-Keith Healey, New Lenox  
(Providence), Wrestling COTY Recipient**

**2015 & 2016-Pete Alber, Region IV  
Wrestling Finalist**

**2014-Tim Haak, Harvard, Wrestling COTY  
Finalist**

**2013-Jeff Hill, Petersburg (PORTA),  
Wrestling COTY Finalist**

**2011-Keith Healey, New Lenox  
(Providence), Wrestling COTY Finalist**

**2010 & 2018-Rob Murphy, Wilmington,  
Wrestling COTY Finalist**

**2009-Mike Bukovsky, Lombard (Montini),  
Wrestling COTY Recipient**

**2006-Joe Cliffe, Fairbury (Prairie Central),  
Wrestling COTY Finalist**

**2002-Mike Manahan, Stanford (Olympia),  
Wrestling COTY Recipient**

### **NHSACA Hall of Fame Members**

**William "Red" Schmitt, Granite City**

**Mike Manahan, Stanford (Olympia)**

**Charlie Anderson, Savanna**

**Joe Cliffe, Fairbury (Prairie Central)**

### **Most Brothers to Place in one State Tournament**

4 – Punke (Washington); Blaize (4<sup>th</sup> @ 138 lb.), Dack (1<sup>st</sup> @ 113 lb.), Jace (6<sup>th</sup> @ 195 lb.) and Ryder (2<sup>nd</sup> @ 160 lb.), 2016, Class 2A

3 – Bailey (Thornton Fractional North); Nasir (1<sup>st</sup> @ 120lb.), Sincere (1<sup>st</sup> @ 145lb.) and Bilal (1<sup>st</sup> @ 152lb.), 2020, Class 2A

3 – Braunangel (Belleville Althoff); Danny (2<sup>nd</sup> @ 145 lb.), Jarriid (2<sup>nd</sup> @ 138 lb.) and Zac (5<sup>th</sup> @ 170 lb.), 2016, Class 1A

3 – Punke (Washington); Dack (1<sup>st</sup> @ 120 lb.), Blaize (2<sup>nd</sup> @ 138 lb.) and Jace (3<sup>rd</sup> @ 220 lb.), 2017, Class 2A

### **Brothers to Win State Championships at the same State Tournament**

Bailey – Nasir (120lb.), Sincere (145lb.) and Bilal (152lb.), 2020, Class 2A

Martinez - Nathan (125 lb.) and Israel (112 lb.), Aurora (West Aurora), 1998, Class AA

Martinez - Nathan (140 lb.) and Israel (130 lb.), Aurora (West Aurora), 1999, Class AA

Braunagel - Danny (152 lb.) and Zac (170 lb.), (**Twins**) Belleville (Althoff), 2017, Class 1A

Braunagel - Danny (160 lb.) and Zac (182 lb.), (**Twins**) Belleville (Althoff), 2018, Class 1A

Kristoff - Mark (138 lb.) and Kip (98 lb.), Bethalto (Civic Memorial), 1982, Class AA

Ramos - Vince (145 lb.) and Tony (125 lb.), Carol Stream (Glenbard North), 2008, Class AA

Dickason - Don (165 lb.) and John (Hwt), Champaign (H.S.), 1949

Williams - Steve (130 lb.) and Joe (145 lb.), Chicago (Mt. Carmel), 1991, Class AA

Williams - Steve (135 lb.) and Joe (152 lb.), Chicago (Mt. Carmel), 1992, Class AA

Williams - Joe (160 lb.) and TJ (135 lb.), Chicago (Mt. Carmel), 1993, Class AA

Milks - Jesse (140 lb.) and Seth (103 lb.), Dakota, 2006, Class A

Hiatt - Andy (125 lb.) and Sam (130 lb.), DeKalb, 2000, Class AA

Hoselton - Drew (170 lb.) and Brandon (195 lb.), Fairbury (Prairie Central), 2018, Class 1A

Beebe - Chase (125 lb.) and Connor (103 lb.), Lombard (Montini), 2002, Class A

Beebe - Chase (130 lb.) and Connor (112 lb.), Lombard (Montini), 2003, Class A

Heinold - James (135 lb.) and Jason (130 lb.), (**Twins**) Mahomet (M.-Seymour), 1989, Class A

Daker - Cory (103 lb.) and Shane (125 lb.), Manito (Forman), 1990, Class A

McDonnell - Mark (145 lb.) and Matt (195 lb.), Morrison, 2012, Class 1A

Murphy - Dan (132 lb.) and Don (138 lb.), Normal (University), 1974, Class A

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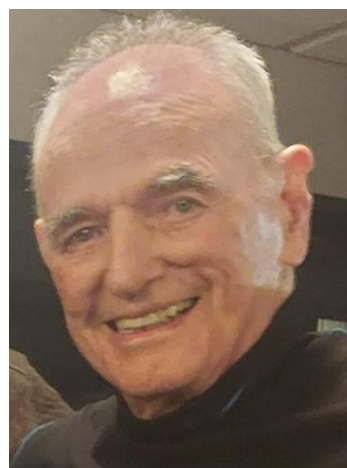
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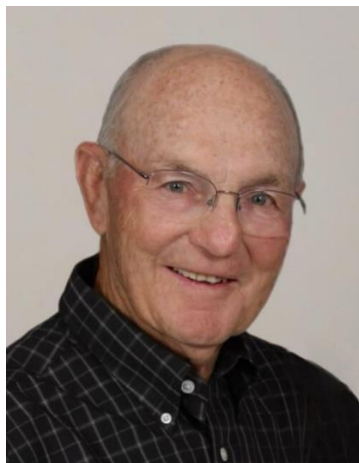
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