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TO: SECTIONAL ATHLETIC COUNCILS
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FROM: NYS WRESTLING COMMITTEE

DATE: **ADOPTED: OCTOBER 11, 2011**

RE: PROCEDURE FOR SELECTING **2012-13** "AT LARGE" ENTRIES
FOR NYS WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

The same basic format that was initiated in the 2006-07 season for selection of "At-Large" qualifiers will be used again in **2012-13**.

The procedure to select four wildcards at each weight class in both Division One and Division Two is listed below.

HISTORY OF THE REQUEST FOR "AT-LARGE" QUALIFIERS:

The main goal of the change in format was to fill the 4 Bys at each weight class in both D1 and D2, to make it more equitable for each wrestler in the tournament. The change now allows some of our most qualified wrestlers (who are in the same Section as the best wresler in the state) to also be able to compete. This format allows for multiple entries from each section at certain weight classes. It could now be possible for a section to have 3 entries at a weight class instead of just one. The format thus allows for increased participation under a multiple-entry format. The format allows two wrestlers from the same section to advance to the NYS finals. It is now possible for one Section to place 1st, 2nd, & 3rd in the State at the same wt class.

GOAL OF FILLING THE WILDCARDS:

The committee wants the four wildcards to be the next best available wrestlers who have not yet qualified for the tournament. It does not matter what section they are from. It is possible for a Section to have two wildcards at one given weight class and none at any of the others. It is possible for one Section to have a wildcard at every weight class and another Section to have no wildcards. The reverse could happen in the next year.

FORMULA FOR DETERMINING THE WILDCARDS:

The Wrestling Committee finalized the exact formula with their 11/9/06 Conference Call. Wildcard applicants will earn points in four ways:

1-**Current season Record:** Difference between wins and losses. (**Beginning with the 2012-13 tournament: a Maximum of 35 points is allowed**).

2-**Placement Points** based on prior year Sectional and State place finishes. (**new Placement points tables have been established for 2012-13**)

3-**Power points** based on the past 6 year history of how many place-winners your Section has had at the NYS tournament. The Power point scale will be adjusted on an annual basis to always reflect the most recent six years.

Top 4 Sections: Earn +10, Middle 4: +5, Bottom 4: do not earn any.

(**Beginning with 2007-08: the Section's Highest placer at each weight is the one who earns the Section their points**).

4-**Competiton Points:** 6 pts for defeating a Federation State Champ, 5 points for a runner up, 4 pts for 3rd, 3 pts for 4th, 2 pts for 5th, 1 pt for 6th. Wrestlers earn the points every time they beat a Federation place winner.

5-A **Tie-Breaking criteria** has been developed if total points are the same. (See attached Charts for Items 2,3,4 and 5)



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1-Current Season Record:

For **2012-13**: In an effort to “level the playing field” for teams that don’t have the ability to schedule as many tournaments as others: the maximum point value that can be earned for the difference in wins and losses for the current season record will be **35 points**.

2-PLACEMENT POINTS used in “AT LARGE” calculations

Some teams wrestle “easier” schedules and their wrestlers will have the chance to accumulate more victories than teams with “tougher schedules. To balance out the victory criteria wrestlers will earn Placement Points for placing in their Sectional tournament this year or in prior years and for placing in the NYS Tournament in prior years. Based on the charts on the next page, only one placement-point value per year should be selected.

Ex: A returning Section Champ who placed 4th in NYS last year is defeated in their Sectional final and places 2nd. They earn 55 placement points for their higher State place (not 55 points + their Sectional point value)

For 2012-13 the Placement point tables are being adjusted. In the past you earned placement points if your section had 12 or more schools participating. For 2012-13 each Section will be given a Level: A,B,C, or D. The theory is that the more schools that are in your section, the larger the Sectional Tournament bracket will be. Those that place in a larger bracket should earn more points than those in a small bracket.

(Points earned for placing at states will remain unchanged).

Step 1: Determine each Sections Level

The level for each **DIVISION** section will be determined as follows:

Based on the number of schools with wrestling teams in the prior year (2011-12) using NWCA certification data:

Level A: 16.00% & above of the Division’s total schools

Level B: 6.00% & above but below 16.00% of the Division’s total schools

Level C: 4.00% & above but below 6.00% of the Division’s total schools

Level D: Below 4.00% of the Division’s total schools

In the event the Federation schools are able to apply for an At-large berth the following Levels will apply: **Division 1: PSAL= A, CHSAA = C Division 2: PSAL= D**

DIVISION 1 -2011-12-NWCA			
SECTION	# of Schools	% of Schools	Level
11	44	18.80%	A
8	42	17.95%	A
1	36	15.38%	B
6	24	10.26%	B
5	21	8.97%	B
2	20	8.55%	B
3	19	8.12%	B
9	15	6.41%	B
4	10	4.27%	C
10	3	1.28%	D
7	0	0.00%	N/A
TOTALS	234	100.00%	

DIVISION 2 -2011-12-NWCA			
SECTION	# of Schools	% of Schools	Level
5	58	22.22%	A
3	42	16.09%	A
2	40	15.33%	B
6	36	13.79%	B
4	33	12.64%	B
1	14	5.36%	C
9	13	4.98%	C
11	9	3.45%	D
8	8	3.07%	D
7	5	1.92%	D
10	3	1.15%	D
TOTALS	261	100.00%	

2-Placement Points (continued):

Step 2: Selecting your **Sectional Point Values** from the following tables:

LEVEL A D1: SECTIONS: 8,11,P D2: SECTIONS: 3,5	5YrsAgo	4YrsAgo	3YrsAgo	2YrsAgo	Last Yr	This Yr
6th Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	5	5
5th Place-Section =	0	0	0	5	10	10
4th Place-Section =	0	0	5	10	15	15
3rd Place-Section =	0	5	10	15	20	20
2nd Place-Section =	5	10	15	20	25	25
1st Place-Section =	10	15	20	25	30	30

LEVEL B D1: SECTIONS: 1,2,3,5,6,9 D2: SECTIONS: 2,4,6	5YrsAgo	4YrsAgo	3YrsAgo	2YrsAgo	Last Yr	This Yr
6th Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	0	0
5th Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	5	5
4th Place-Section =	0	0	0	5	10	10
3rd Place-Section =	0	0	5	10	15	15
2nd Place-Section =	0	5	10	15	20	20
1st Place-Section =	5	10	15	20	25	25

LEVEL C D1: SECTIONS: 4,C D2: SECTIONS: 1,9	5YrsAgo	4YrsAgo	3YrsAgo	2YrsAgo	Last Yr	This Yr
6th Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	0	0
5th Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	0	0
4th Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	5	5
3rd Place-Section =	0	0	0	5	10	10
2nd Place-Section =	0	0	5	10	15	15
1st Place-Section =	0	5	10	15	20	20

LEVEL D D1: SECTIONS: 10 D2: SECTIONS: 7,8,10,11,P	5YrsAgo	4YrsAgo	3YrsAgo	2YrsAgo	Last Yr	This Yr
6th Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	0	0
5th Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	0	0
4th Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	0	0
3rd Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	0	0
2nd Place-Section =	0	0	0	0	0	0
1st Place-Section =	0	5	10	15	20	20

2-Placement Points (continued):

Step 2: Selecting your **State Point Values** from the following table:

NY State Place	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
6th Place-NY State	15	20	25	30	35	N/A
5th Place-NY State	25	30	35	40	45	N/A
4th Place-NY State	35	40	45	50	55	N/A
3rd Place-NY State	45	50	55	60	65	N/A
2nd Place-NY State	55	60	65	70	75	N/A
1st Place-NY State	65	70	75	80	85	N/A

3- POWER POINTS - BASED ON 6 PRIOR YEARS –Adopted 1/13/06

Some Sections are stronger than others. Wrestlers from the stronger Sections should earn positive “Power Points” Some Sections are weaker than others. Wrestlers from the weaker Sections should not earn “Power Points”. To determine the “stronger” and “weaker” sections results of NYS place-winners were tabulated over the past 6 years (for D2 only the last 3 yrs as that is their total length of existence at this time)

Placing 6th in NYS earned the Section 1 point, 5th = 2 pts, 4th = 3 pts, 3rd = 4 pts, 2nd = 5 pts., and 1st = 6 pts.

Total points earned by Sections over the past 6 years are listed to the right of the Sections Number. Since each Division has 12 Sections competing in it “Positive Power Points” are awarded to the Top 4 Strongest Sections and the 4 Middle Sections: with No “Power Points” awarded to the 4 Sections who ended at the Bottom as the 4 Weakest Sections. **At weight classes where two wrestlers from the same Section competed, the highest placer is the one who earns the placement points.**

The PowerPoint result tables are as follows: **(includes 2012 NYS Tournament results)**

<i>DIVISION ONE</i>	ADD
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SECTION 11 = 334 points	+10
SECTION 8 = 227 points	+10
SECTION 5 = 206 points	+10
SECTION 2 = 204 points	+10
SECTION 1 = 167 points	+5
SECTION 6 = 133 points	+5
SECTION 9 = 125 points	+5
SECTION 4 = 113 points	+5
CHSAA = 80 points	0
SECTION 3 = 79 points	0
PSAL = 15 points	0
SECTION 10 = 8 points	0
SECTION 7 = N/A points	N/A

<i>DIVISION TWO</i>	ADD
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SECTION 5 = 378 points	+10
SECTION 4 = 286 points	+10
SECTION 3 = 282 points	+10
SECTION 6 = 255 points	+10
SECTION 2 = 166 points	+5
SECTION 7 = 89 points	+5
SECTION 1 = 67 points	+5
SECTION 10 = 34 points	+5
SECTION 11 = 23 points	0
SECTION 8 = 21 points	0
SECTION 9 = 13 points	0
PSAL = 8 points	0
CHSAA = N/A points	N/A



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COMPETITION POINTS:

—Adopted 10/12/10

To give incentive for wrestlers to wrestle better opponents during the season, Competition points will now be added to the At-Large formula to encourage wrestlers to attempt to beat quality competition.

A list of returning NYS Placewinners from **2011-12** will be provided to all Chairmen for distribution to all coaches. The spreadsheet will have a column called “NYS At-Large” with the following point values for all returning NYS placewinners:

Federation State Place 2011-12	Competiton Points
1st	6
2nd	5
3rd	4
4th	3
5th	2
6th	1

-It will not matter if the wrestler that is defeated is a D1 or D2 wrestler.

If a wrestler beats someone on the list (NYS Placewinner), they will earn the points shown.

-7th and 8th place finishers are NOT considered placewinners and you will NOT earn competition points for defeating them.

-Wrestlers earn the points every time they beat a placewinner. (If they beat the same Place winner twice, they get the competition points both times)

-Defeating a Federation State place winner by forfeit does NOT earn competition points



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“At Large” Tie Breaking Criteria:
Adopted 1/13/06

PROCEDURE FOR CALCULATING THE “AT LARGE’s:

At the conclusion of each Sectional Tournament, the Section Chairman will forward the necessary data on both the second and third place finisher at each weight class. The formula will be applied and the data will be sorted. The Top Four point earners at each weight will earn the “At Large” berths with the following exceptions:

*-A Tie-Breaking criteria has been developed if total points are the same.

“At Large” Tie Breaking Criteria:

Should wrestlers accumulate the same number of “At Large” points, the tie will be broken using the following criteria:

- 1- Head to Head
- 2- State Bonus Points Earned
- 3- Sectional Bonus Points Earned
- 4- Most Pins in the current season
- 5- Most Tech Falls in the current season
- 6- Most Major Decisions in the current season.
- 7- Coin Flip

In the possible event where the #3 place-winner from a Section earns more points than the #2 place-winner from the same Section, the following procedure will apply:

- 1- If the #3 wrestler, did not lose to the #2 wrestler at the Sectional Tournament, no changes are needed and #3 earns the “At Large” ahead of #2.
- 2- If the #3 wrestler, lost to the #2 wrestler at the Sectional Tournament, they will not be able to go ahead of #2 (even though they have more points than #2) unless #2 “carries #3 along with them:

In this situation, if #2 happens to already have enough points to be one of the four “At Large’s” (as does #3) then they both can go.

If #2 did not accumulate enough points to be one of the four “At Large’s”, then #3 will be removed from consideration (even though they have enough points). The next highest point earner will take the spot of the #3 wrestler just removed.