

Multiple changes made by OSSAA as wrestling postseason approaches

The OSSAA recently announced changes to the wrestling postseason.

In years past, the dual state championships were held the second weekend of February followed by the regional tournaments and then the season culminated with the state tournaments the final weekend in February in Oklahoma City.

This year, however, regionals have been pushed to the front of the schedule and the dual *state* championships to the middle of March.

The new schedule allows time for teams to, potentially, deal with COVID-19 issues that may arise through the postseason.

The regional tournaments will be held Feb. 12-13 and those will even have a different look.

The regional will consist of seven weight classes on Friday and then the largest seven weight classes on Saturday.

Kingfisher will be taking part in the Class 4A west regional being hosted by Clinton.

Joining KHS and the host school will be Ada, Blanchard, Bristow, Cache, Chickasha, Douglass, Elk City, Harrah, Heritage Hall, Madill, Newcastle, Tecumseh, Tuttle and Weatherford.

Fledgling programs in Hennessey and Cashion will be a part of the 3A east regional hosted by Blackwell.

Also participating there will be Barnsdall, Berryhill, Cascia Hall, Chandler, Daniel Webster, Henryetta, Holland Hall, Hulbert, Inola, Jay, Lincoln Christian, Locust Grove, Metro Christian, Morrison, Newkirk, Oklahoma Christian School, Okmulgee, Pawhuska, Pawnee, Perry, Sperry, Tonkawa, Victory Christian, Vian and Watonga.

The top-five placers in each weight class will advance to the state tournament, which will be Feb. 25-27 at State Fair Arena in Oklahoma City.

Dual state championship will be March 12 for Classes 4A and 5A and March 13 for Classes 3A and 6A at Stride Bank Center in Enid.