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Positive Developments and Highlights

In its second year as a sanctioned sport, there are 857 studentathletes registered in the girls' season in the Trackwrestling database (up from 592 during the inaugural 2023-24 season).

The girls' regions were completed on Saturday, Feb. 15 with Central Hardin (Regions 1-2), North Oldham (Regions 3-4), Walton-Verona (Regions 5-6) and Taylor County (Regions 7-8) hosting this year's events. With the girls' format combining two regions into one event, it has required some minor adjustments when each region is used to doing things its own way. The preference will be to continue to alternate which region hosts the event, if the girls' postseason continues to operate under the current format in the future.

Championship Update/Review The girls' 235 lb. weight class only had 17 student-athletes enter the postseason, eight of which came from Region 4. Without any fifth-place alternates in the other three regions, the 235 lb. weight class will not have a full 16-person bracket at state. Boys' regions are scheduled to take place this weekend (Feb. 21-22). I've already heard from a few coaches concerned about the ability to hold the events as scheduled, due to the flooding over the weekend and the pending snowstorm expected to hit the state later this week. Region 8, in particular, may have to find an alternate host site or postpone a day if conditions do not improve by Saturday.

The 2025 KHSAA Girls' Wrestling State Championship will take place Thursday, Feb. 27 at Alltech Arena, followed by the Boys'/Coed State Championship on Friday, Feb. 28 and Saturday, March 1.