WARRIOR WRESTLING

Welcome to the Wahoo Wrestling Newsletter — the place where our entire wrestling family comes together! This newsletter connects everything happening across our K–12 programs, celebrating the hard work, heart, and grit of every athlete in our community. From our youngest wrestlers just stepping on the mat to our seasoned competitors battling under the lights, we're here to highlight the big wins, the breakthrough moments, and the growing pride in our program. Get ready for updates, spotlights, and stories that showcase the power of a united Wahoo wrestling family. Let's keep building something special — together!

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS UPCOMING SCHEDULE

SATURDAY DEC 20TH JV/V INVITE 10:00 AM @ WAHOO

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS UPCOMING SCHEDULE

FRIDAY DEC 19TH INVITE 1:30 PM @ WAHOO

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS UPCOMING SCHEDULE

FRIDAY DEC 19TH INVITE 1:30 PM @ WAHOO

CLUB UPCOMING SCHEDULE

SUNDAY DEC 21ST WAHOO CLUB TOURNAMENT @ WAHOO HIGH SCHOOL

WAHOO GIRLS DOMINATE, CAPTURE BOB OLIVER PIN INVITATIONAL TITLE

The Wahoo High School girls wrestling team delivered a dominant performance to capture the team title at the Bob Oliver Tournament, finishing well ahead of the field and showcasing the depth and strength of the program. The Warriors piled up points across every weight class, separating themselves early and maintaining control throughout the day.

This victory marks an important milestone for the program, as it is Wahoo Girls Wrestling's first tournament championship since the 2021–22 season, highlighting the continued growth, commitment, and momentum of the team as they move forward this season.



HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

BATTLED, BELIEVED, AND BROKE THROUGH

The Wahoo girls wrestling team faced a challenging but productive week, opening with a tough dual on Thursday night at Columbus Lakeview before responding in a big way on Saturday at the Bob Oliver Pin Invitational.

On Thursday, the girls traveled to Lakeview to take on the defending state runner-up in a high-pressure environment as the Vikings unveiled their championship banners. Despite the 69–12 final score, the Wahoo girls showed growth and grit throughout the dual. Wahoo earned key wins from Lilliana Schneider at 140 pounds and Hannah Morin at 170, while several other matches were pushed into the final moments.

"I am really proud of how the girls battled," said Coach Ed Raney. "For such a young team, that could have been intimidating, but they rose to the challenge, got some quality wins, and showed great improvement since their first tournament."

That improvement was on full display Saturday at the Bob Oliver Pin Invitational, where the girls delivered a breakthrough performance. Wahoo captured the team title, scoring a school-record 256 points, more than doubling the previous program high and earning the program's first tournament championship since the 2021–22 season.

Five Wahoo wrestlers claimed individual titles: Brianna Marshall (100 lbs), Taylor Christian (130 lbs), Kinzley Beavers (140 lbs), Emma Jones (145 lbs), and Livia Sharpe (155 lbs). Several others added key points across the lineup, showcasing depth, confidence, and growing experience.

"Today was a really great day for the team," Raney said. "We were able to get more girls into the lineup, and from top to bottom the team showed up. This group put together some really impressive wins and took a big step forward."

The week highlighted both where the program is growing and where it is headed, as the girls continue to gain experience, confidence, and momentum heading into the heart of the season.





HIGH SCHOOL BOYS

WARRIORS BATTLE PAST NORRIS, TAKE 4TH AT BELLEVUE WEST INVITE

The Wahoo boys wrestling team put together a strong and productive week, highlighted by a hard-fought 42–32 dual victory over Norris and a fourth-place team finish at the competitive Bellevue West Invitational.

In the dual against Norris, Wahoo showed its depth and grit, picking up key falls and bonus-point wins throughout the lineup. Pins from Grayson Styskal (126), Gavin Sutton (138), William Hart (160), Braydon Fittro (170), and Daniel Oehm (285) helped swing momentum, while forfeits at 120 and 182 added valuable points. The dual win showcased the team's ability to finish matches and respond in tight situations, setting a positive tone for the rest of the week.

That momentum carried into Friday's Bellevue West Invite, where Wahoo finished fourth out of nine teams against a deep field. Several Warriors made podium runs, led by Jayse Styskal, who battled his way to a runner-up finish at 190 pounds, and Daniel Oehm, who also placed second at heavyweight with four first-period pins. Zane Wesely (144), William Hart (157), and Braydon Fittro (165) each earned third-place finishes, while Grayson Styskal and Gavin Sutton added fourth-place performances to round out a balanced team effort. Wahoo's success came from wrestlers at all weights contributing points and gaining valuable experience against quality competition.

Coach Hodges was encouraged by what he saw from the group over the course of the week. "I'm proud of the competitiveness and fight we saw from the guys this week," he said. "As we continue to add wrestlers to the line-up and the guys get healthy from football, I'm excited to see what this group of guys can accomplish."

With early-season challenges still present, Wahoo continues to build momentum, confidence, and depth. The effort shown against Norris and at Bellevue West reflects a team that is growing each week and setting the foundation for a strong stretch of the season ahead.









MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS SHOW GROWTH ON THE MAT

The Wahoo Middle School girls wrestling team had a busy and productive week, competing in two tournaments and showing continued growth on the mat.

The week began at the Conestoga Tournament, where the girls compiled a 9-9 overall record. London Vasa led the way with a 1st-place finish (3-0), while Breean Foster and Avery Williams each earned 2nd place. Kate Leinemann and Mckinnley Pflanz finished 3rd, and Chloe Rezek placed 4th. Coach Nicola was pleased with the effort and aggression shown throughout the day, noting that many of the mistakes came from the team's newness to the sport and provided valuable learning opportunities.

The week concluded at the Trailblazer Conference Tournament, where the team took another step forward, finishing 3rd overall as a team. Avery Williams captured a conference championship at 149 lbs, while Breean Foster, Regina Hart, and Kate Leinemann each earned 3rd-place finishes. Chloe Rezek and Evelyn Morin both placed 4th in their respective brackets.

Coach Nicola highlighted the importance of the experience gained across both events, emphasizing that while inexperience showed at times, the progress from the start to the end of the week was evident. With focused practices and continued mat time, the group is positioned to keep improving as they prepare for their upcoming home tournament.



CLUB WRESTLING

WARRIORS BATTLE TO 3RD PLACE FINISH AT STAR CITY CLASH

The Wahoo Warrior Wrestling Club delivered an outstanding performance at the Star City Clash, finishing 3rd out of 68 teams in one of the largest and most competitive youth tournaments of the season. With wrestlers competing from Pre-K through middle school divisions, the Warriors showcased depth, toughness, and consistency across the entire lineup.

Wahoo crowned multiple champions, led by Jaxon Thomalla, Maverick Wynn, Henry Hurst, and Red Hitz, each claiming first-place finishes in their respective brackets. Several other Warriors reached the finals or podium, including Easton Jennings, Gabriel Ramirez, Tatum Samek, Sawyer Menousek, Rhett Nelson, Emerson Stuchlik, Elijah Hurst, and Quintin Maly, adding crucial team points throughout the weekend.

The club also saw strong performances from its youngest competitors, with Pre-K wrestlers Ridge Wynn and Nolan Rezek earning third-place finishes, setting the tone early and proving the program's foundation is strong.

On the girls' side, podium finishes from Skyla Graves, Joslyn Maly, Evelyn Miers, and Chloe Rezek highlighted continued growth and competitiveness within the girls program.

Overall, the Warriors combined championship-level performances with depth across age groups to secure a top-three team finish. The result reflects the hard work being put in by athletes, coaches, and families—and reinforces Wahoo Warrior Wrestling as one of the premier youth programs in the state.

