

**2026 PENNSYLVANIA JUNIOR HIGH WRESTLING
AREA VII BOYS QUALIFIER**

Hosted By: Chartiers Valley Wrestling Club

- DATE:** Sunday, February 22, 2026
- LOCATION:** Chartiers Valley High School – 50 Thoms Run Road, Bridgeville, PA 15017
- TIME:** Promptly at 9:00 a.m.
- FEE:** \$35.00 - make checks payable to Area VII Wrestling
- REGISTRATION & WEIGH-INS:** **Sunday morning only, February 22, 2026** from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. at:
Chartiers Valley High School – 50 Thoms Run Road, Bridgeville, PA 15017
- WEIGHT:** **FLAT WEIGHT ONLY!** No weight allowance
- ELIGIBILITY:**
- Wrestlers in grades 7, 8, and 9 with PIAA defined junior high eligibility may participate.
 - No wrestler with PIAA defined Varsity or Junior Varsity experience is permitted to participate.
 - Any wrestler not governed by PIAA eligibility rules, who has represented a school or other educational institution in, or otherwise participated in, any state association sanctioned event against Varsity or Junior Varsity competition, regardless of the state where this has occurred, will not be permitted in the PAJW Jr. High (Boys) State Tournament.
 - An 11 or 12 year old already in Junior High may participate in either the PAJW Youth (Boys) Tournament's 11-12 year-old division or in the PAJW Junior High (Boys) State Tournament, but cannot participate in both events.
 - A wrestler who is not eligible for the PAJW Youth Tournament's 11-12 year-old division and not yet enrolled in Junior High (7th grade), may enter the PAJW Junior High (Boys) State Tournament.
- YOU MUST BRING A NON-RETURNABLE COPY OF YOUR BIRTH CERTIFICATE TO REGISTRATION OR YOU WILL NOT BE WEIGHED IN. NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- RESIDENCY:** You must be a full-time resident of one (1) of the following school districts to participate:
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| Allegheny Valley | East Allegheny | Moon | South Fayette |
| Avonworth | Elizabeth Forward | Mt. Lebanon | South Park |
| Baldwin | Fox Chapel | North Allegheny | Steel Valley |
| Bethel Park | Freeport | Northgate | Sto-Rox |
| Brentwood | Gateway | North Hills | Thomas Jefferson |
| Burrell | Hampton | Penn Hills | Upper St. Clair |
| Butler | Highlands | Pine-Richland | Valley |
| Carlynton | Keystone Oaks | Plum | West Allegheny |
| Chartiers Valley | Kiski Area | Quaker Valley | West Jefferson Hills |
| Clairton | Knoch | Riverview | West Mifflin |
| Cornell | Mars | Seneca Valley | Wilkinsburg |
| Deer Lakes | McKeesport | Shaler | Woodland Hills |
| Duquesne Area | Montour | South Allegheny | City of Pittsburgh |
- SKIN:** Pre-existing skin conditions require a physician's completed medical release form at the time of registration. See your coach or download the proper PIAA medical form from the All Area website: www.pajw.org
- LACES, HEADGEAR & MOUTHGUARD:** Laces must be **SECURED**. Headgear is **MANDATORY**. Mouthguard **REQUIRED** to cover braces. PIAA Hair Rule applies.
- ADVANCING:** Double elimination tournament. The 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place finishers at each weight will receive a medal and will advance to the PJW Jr. High (Boys) State Finals, February 27th, February 28th, and March 1st at the *1st Summit Arena* in Johnstown, PA. 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place will receive a t-shirt and shorts to be worn with their singlet at the State tournament. Advancers will receive an Information Sheet with details of the State tournament.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:

Bill Loeffler, Area VII Chairman
Vince Fera, Alternate Chairman

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OFFICIAL RULES AND ENTRY FORM

1. Only full-time residents of Pennsylvania may participate in the Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling tournaments. Wrestlers must wrestle in the school district in which they are a resident.
2. There is a one-time entry fee of \$35.00 that must be paid at registration/weigh-ins. Weigh-ins are on **Sunday (February 22nd)** only. Checks are to be made payable to AREA VII Wrestling.
3. The source of rules governing the tournament will be the PIAA Rule Book (except as modified by Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling), PA Jr. Wrestling Rule Book and the Area Rules.
4. All Championship Bouts will consist of three (3) periods: 1:30-1:30-1:30. Consolation Bouts will be three (3) periods: 1-1:30-1:30. Overtime will follow PIAA overtime rules.
5. Headgear and wrestling uniforms are mandatory. Shoelaces must be secured with tape or straps in accordance with the PIAA shoelace rule. Mouthguard is required to cover braces. The hair rule will be enforced as adopted by the PIAA.
6. Wrestlers in grades 7, 8, and 9 with PIAA defined junior high eligibility may participate. No wrestler with PIAA defined Varsity or Junior Varsity experience is permitted to participate.
7. Any wrestler not governed by PIAA eligibility rules, who has represented a school or other educational institution in, or otherwise participated in, any state association sanctioned event against Varsity or Junior Varsity competition, regardless of the state where this has occurred, will not be permitted in the PAJW Jr. High State Tournament.
8. An 11 or 12 year old already in Junior High may participate in either the PAJW Youth (Boys) Tournament's 11-12 year-old division or in the PAJW Junior High (Boys) State Tournament, but cannot participate in both events.
9. A wrestler who is not eligible for the PAJW Youth (Boys) State Tournament's 11-12 year-old division and not yet enrolled in Junior High (7th grade), may enter the PAJW Junior High (Boys) State Tournament.
10. A NON-RETURNABLE COPY OF THE WRESTLER'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED AT WEIGH-INS.

Name: _____ Age: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ County: _____

School District: _____ Phone#: _____ Coach: _____

Please circle age and weight division (only one):

Jr. High 82 89 96 103 110 117 124 132 140 147 157 172 192 212 252

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT & PARTICIPANT CODE OF CONDUCT

I, _____, acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the
(Wrestler's full name)

Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling ("PJW") Tournament. I am aware that these activities may be hazardous and that I could be seriously injured. I am voluntarily participating with knowledge of the danger involved, and agree to assume any and all risks of bodily injury, or death, whether those risks are known or unknown.

I verify this statement by placing my initials here: _____ Parent or Guardian's initials: _____

As consideration for being permitted by PJW, and any owner, administrator, tournament director, chairperson of the premises holding any of the events, to participate in these activities and use the premises and facilities, I forever release PJW or any lessor or any PJW affiliated organization, and their respective directors, officers, employees, volunteers, agents, contractors, and representatives (collectively "Releasees") from any and all actions, claims, or demands that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives now have, or may have in the future, for injury, death, or property damage, related to, (i) my participation in these activities; (ii) the negligence or other acts, whether directly connected to these activities or not, and however caused, by any Releasee; or (iii) the condition of the premises where these activities occur, whether or not I am then participating in the activities. I also agree that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of any Releasee in connection with any of the matters covered by the foregoing release.

I have carefully read this agreement and fully understand its contents. I am aware this is a release of liability and a contract between myself and PJW, and the Releasees, and sign it of my own free will.

As the parent or guardian of the above named wrestler, I recognize the dangers of the activities and the significance of this Release and Waiver were explained to the Wrestler and that the Wrestler understood them, or I, as parent or guardian of the Wrestler, understand them.

While participating in PJW activities, the Wrestler will be supervised by _____.
(Coach or Parent/Guardian name)

I understand the Tournament Director, Area VII Chairman, and Alternate Chairman under the guidance of the PJW rules and administration, may withdraw my son/daughter from any Tournament if he/she is involved in behavior or activity deemed to be detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of other participants, spectators, tournament staff, or tournament sites; or if involved in actions considered to be detrimental to the goals and objectives of PJW or in violation of the PJW Code of Conduct. We have read and agree with the tournament rules as listed on the information page.

Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Wrestler: _____ Date: _____

2026 AREA VII BOYS JR. HIGH QUALIFIER

HOSTED BY:

Chartiers Valley Wrestling Club

Dear Wrestler:

You have the opportunity to qualify as one of the top four (4) Junior High (Boys) wrestlers from the AREA VII (Boys) QUALIFIER and advance to the Pennsylvania Junior High (Boys) State Championship at the *1st Summit Arena* in Johnstown, PA. Only the top four (4) wrestlers in each weight class advance to the Junior High (Boys) State Championship in Johnstown.

WEIGH-INS **Chartiers Valley High School** on Sunday, February 22, 2026, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

Date: Sunday, February 22, 2026

Start: Promptly at 9:00 a.m. (Doors open at 6:45 a.m.)

DOUBLE ELIMINATION FORMAT

HEADGEAR IS MANDATORY, SHOELACES MUST BE SECURED AND BRACES COVERED

AWARDS:

1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Place Finishers in each weight class will receive a medal and advance to the Pennsylvania Junior High (Boys) State Championship in Johnstown, PA, February 27th, 28th, and March 1st.

ADMISSION: Adults - \$15.00, Students - \$10.00

UNIFORM: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place finishers will need **\$80 CASH-ONLY** for their Area VII singlet that must be worn at the Junior High (Boys) State Championship in Johnstown. You may pick up your uniform and information sheet after completion of your weight class. You will also receive a t-shirt and shorts. These are to be worn as warm-ups and in the Parade of Champions in Johnstown.

The singlet is yours to keep!

JACKETS: All advancers to the Junior High (Boys) State Championship have the opportunity to purchase an Area VII Jacket for \$60 each, **CASH ONLY!** It is not mandatory to purchase a jacket.

DON'T FORGET \$80 CASH ONLY FOR SINGLET PURCHASE AND \$60 CASH ONLY FOR JACKET PURCHASE. NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of us:

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