



Grizzly Wrestling

2009-2010



Wrestlers prepare for 18th straight SLT

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The Wadsworth wrestling program produced yet another banner during the 2008-2009 season. Truly, it was a historic year as wrestlers exceeded all expectations, beat perennial national power and State Champion St. Edward twice in dual meets, and earned a Team Dual Meet State Championship for the first time ever.

In addition, the Grizzlies finished 13-1 in dual matches, won a Sectional Championship, District Championship, qualified a record nine individuals to State, recognized seven state placers, including Kagan Squire and Nick Tavano (3rd), Ben Buzzelli (4th), Brad Squire (6th), Loudon Gordon, (7th), Caleb Busson and Alex Gray (8th). These accomplishments helped lead the Grizzlies to an exciting 5th place State team finish and ranked #23 nationally in final poll in *Amateur Wrestling News* top 40 teams.

This year, both Squires, Buzzelli, Busson, Gordon and Tavano are back along with five other District qualifiers. The coaching staff and the rest of the 2009-10 team are ready to begin their quest of continued dominance of the Suburban League, while striving to take more than the record nine athletes to the State Tournament in the 16,000 seat Schottenstein Center in Columbus.

After completing one of the toughest schedules in team history and winning its 17th consecutive Suburban League Championship, area teams may wonder if the Grizzlies will have anything left in the year 2009-10. This new schedule will soon test the Grizzlies who have worked hard in the off-season, trying to earn the privilege to carry on the great tradition set by past teams. This year's Grizzlies will try to fend off perennial powers Barberton, Highland, and Copley. Last year, Alfredo Gray, Kagan Squire, Loudon Gordon, Brad Squire, Nate Ball, Sheldon Brandenburg, Bart Randolph, and Ben Buzzelli won individual Suburban League titles, and all eight return to defend their titles.

The nucleus of the 2009-10 team has worked extremely hard in the off-season, with individual wrestlers posting more than 200 total hours of lifting weights, wrestling at open mats on Thursday nights, and attending summer camps, especially Jeff Jordan's team camp, and competing nationally at Disney Duals in Orlando, Florida, and the Cadet and Junior National Tournaments in Fargo, North Dakota. Notably, sophomores Kagan Squire and Nick Tavano earned All American status, finishing as National Champ and National runner up as a Cadet respectively.

The 2009-10 team is led by **Seniors:** Caleb Busson, Ben Buzzelli, Justin Glas, Loudon Gordon, Calvin Guess, Cory Jones, Brad Squire, and Bart Randolph along with returning **Letter winners:** Hussein Abdulhabib, Matt Abel, Nate Ball, Christian Baughman, Sheldon Brandenburg, Cody Gordon, Jake Crowley, C.J. Edwards, Alfredo Gray, Dom Owens, Clay Wenger, and Aaron Warstler.

Coaches: Head Coach John Gramuglia, Assistants: Mike Kallai, Brandon Cobb, and Jason Friedt, Volunteers: Larry Kaufman, Jerry Nadeau, Gary Skoch, Caleb Currier, and Danny Foore.

Strength and conditioning coach: Bobby Jones, **Team Doctor:** Dr. Papas, **Team Trainer:** Ron Burdette

The future looks promising with a strong 9th grade team. They are a determined group with a great deal of potential. In fact, some freshmen will see varsity action. This is the fifteenth 9th grade class with Youth League experience at Firestone High School, and the coaches have indeed noticed the difference.

Over 50 enthusiastic 7th and 8th graders have turned out for the Middle School team. They are coached by Matt Shiarla and assistant coach Kip Shipley and volunteer coach Brent Johnson. The coaches continue to do a great job molding and developing young talent that feeds the high school. They have won several tournaments over the past years and have developed a winning attitude and a very strong work ethic, earning the reputation as one of the best junior high programs in the state. Several middle schoolers represented Wadsworth at the Junior High State Tournament with Mathias Zollinger placing sixth.

Our Youth Program has over 120 members and a strong coaching nucleus headed again by Todd Baughman. Kathy Wenger remains our treasurer and will help organize and develop the inner workings of the program. Team Manager is Becky Randolph. Last year the Red team finished 1st in its Division with a 7-0 record while the White team finished 3rd with a 5-2 record. Overall they finished 2nd in the State tournament out of 139 teams with 12 State Qualifiers and 4 State Placers: Michael North (State Placer 2nd), Luke Baughman, Brock Swartzbaugh, Noah Baughman (State Placer 5th), Brandon Baughman (State Placer 5th), Corey Riegenbach (State Placer 3rd), Connor Gray (State Champion), Zach Vuillemin, Kollin Moore (State Placer 2nd), Tim Knipl (State Placer 3rd).

The entire family of coaches is working hard in order to dominate the Suburban League and this area. It is also our goal to continue the tradition of placing wrestlers at the State Tournament and winning the ultimate wrestling honor, a State Championship.

2009 -10 Wadsworth Grizzly Schedule

November 27	Preview @ Padua
December 5	Harrison Duals@Cin. Harrison HS
December 11,12	Asics Ironman Tournament @Walsh Jesuit
December 17	Suburban Tri-@) Highland/Barberton
December 18,19	North Canton Tournament
December 29,30	Brecksville Holiday Tournament
January 7	Suburban Tri-@Revere/Green
January 10	State Duals@ Wadsworth
January 21	SL Tri-@Cloverleaf/Tallmadge/Copley
January 28	Suburban Dual- Cloverleaf (H)(Senior Night)
January 30	GIT
February 5	@ Paris Graham
February 13	Suburban Tournament @ Wadsworth
February 19	Sectionals
February 26	Districts
March 4, 5,6	State Tournament

WADSWORTH WRESTLING DATA SHEET

NAME	WEIGHT CLASS	YEAR	LAST YEAR'S RECORD	STATE FINISH
2009 VARSITY LETTERMAN ROSTER				
<u>NAME</u>			<u>RECORD</u>	
BRANDON JONES	103	SOPHOMORE		
MATHIAS ZOLLINGER	103	FRESHMAN		JR HIGH STATE PLACER
AARON WARSTLER	112	SOPHOMORE	4-3	
ALFREDO GRAY	112	JUNIOR	43-8	STATE ALTERNATE
KAGAN SQUIRE	119	SOPHOMORE	44-7	STATE 3rd PLACE
CHRISTIAN BAUGHMAN	125	SOPHOMORE	5-5	
CORY JONES	130	SENIOR	12-8	
LOUDON GORDON	135	SENIOR	28-12	STATE 7th PLACE
CODY GORDON	135	SOPHOMORE		
NATE BALL	140	JUNIOR	40-13	STATE QUALIFIER
BRAD SQUIRE	145	SENIOR	42-3	STATE RUNNER UP
CLAY WENGER	152	JUNIOR	29-12	DISTRICT QUALIFIER
SHELDON BRANDENBURG	160	JUNIOR	29-15	STATE QUALIFIER
AARICK JONES	160	SENIOR	21-14	DISTRICT QUALIFIER
BART RANDOLPH	171	SENIOR	29-10	DISTRICT QUALIFIER
CALEB BUSSON	189	SENIOR	40-10	STATE 8TH PLACE
NICK TAVANELLO	215	SOPHOMORE	42-7	STATE 3rd PLACE
JAKE CROWLEY	215	JUNIOR	5-2	
BEN BUZZELLI	HVY	SENIOR	41-7	STATE 4TH PLACE

Promising Newcomers

Sophomores Christian Baughman, CJ Edwards, Aaron Finding, Cody Gordon, Brandon Jones, and Aaron Warstler will add depth to the team and fight for starting spots vacated by the two outstanding graduates, Alex Gray and Danny Foore. Junior High State Placer and incoming freshmen Mathias Zollinger will push for the Brandon Jones for starting spot at 103.

Lettermen lost:

Seniors Alex Gray 8th Place State and Danny Foore 4th Place State

Comments (strengths, weaknesses)

“Overall, we should be a more experienced team with a possibility of 6 Seniors, 6 Juniors and 4 Sophomores and 1 Freshmen starting this year. Our schedule is one of the toughest in the state. We have one State champ, Seven State placers, 8 State qualifers and 5 district qualifiers back, and we have experience wrestlers in most weight classes. Newcomers have been very successful at the Middle school, JV level and have filled in at the varsity level last year and won matches. Also the nucleus of the coaching staff has been intact for the last 20 years along with the additions of some valuable new coaches. This should guarantee a fun and exciting season.

Suburban League

“The Suburban League should continue to improve after a strong showing from Wadsworth, Highland and Barberton and Copley at the 2009 State Tournament. Individually, there is some outstanding talent.

Area Lookout

The area is loaded again with premier individuals and teams in all Divisions. Walsh, Perry, Kenmore, Uniontown Lake and Brecksville should stand above the rest.

Preseason top 10 poll: 1. Wadsworth 2. Massillon Perry 3. Walsh 4. Uniontown Lake 5. Kenmore 6. CVCA 7 Aurora 8. North Canton 9. Copley 10. Nordonia.

WADSWORTH WRESTLING RECORDS

<u>SEASON</u>		<u>CAREER</u>	
TIMMY MILLER	49	MOST WINS	DEREK FOORE 170
JOSH KALLAI	35	MOST PINS	JOSH KALLAI 104
TIMMY MILLER	188	MOST TAKEDOWNS	TIMMY MILLER 584
DONNIE SROCK	100	MOST NEARFALLS	DONNIE SROCK 222
DONNIE SROCK	33	MOST REVERSALS	ZAK KALLAI 90

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

1973, 1990, 1993, 1994,
1995, 1996, 1997, 1998,
1999, 2000, 2001, 2002,
2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, **2009**

BEST DUAL RECORD

9-0 1994, 1995, 1996

DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

1999, **2009**

BEST STATE

1st 1942 5th 1999
3rd 2005 5th 2001
4th 2004 5th 2003
4th 2007, **5th 2009**

FASTEST PIN

ADAM MELTON 8 seconds
2004

SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

1990, 1993, 1994, 1995,
1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2008, **2009**

1942-1943	1ST PLACE	34 POINTS
1993-1994	10TH PLACE	27 POINTS
1994-1995	8TH PLACE	38.5 POINTS
1995-1996	8TH PLACE	40 POINTS
1996-1997	9TH PLACE	36 POINTS
1997-1998	7TH PLACE	40 POINTS
1998-1999	5TH PLACE	51 POINTS
2000-2001	5TH PLACE	60 POINTS
2001-2002	6TH PLACE	62 POINTS
2002-2003	5TH PLACE	59 POINTS
2003-2004	4TH PLACE	69 POINTS
2004-2005	3RD PLACE	73.5 POINTS
2005-2006	7TH PLACE	52 POINTS
2006-2007	4TH PLACE	56 POINTS
2007-2008	8TH PLACE	40 POINTS
2008-2009	5TH PLACE	74 POINTS

WADSWORTH WRESTLING STATE RECORDS

STATE CHAMPS

ED ENGLE	1938	CHRIS KALLAI JR	2001
KEITH WOLF	1938	MATT KALLAI	2002
KEN CARTWRIGHT	1942	TIMMY MILLER	2005
JUNIOR MC CROCK	1942	DAVID CROWLEY	2006
JIM SAILORS	1943	BRAD SQUIRE	2007
BOBBY JONES	1996		
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STATE PLACERS

3rd	BOB WHITE 1942	5th	DAVE LANCE 1999	2nd	BRAD SQUIRE 2008
2nd	BOB SHANNON 1942	3rd	MATT KALLAI 1999	4th	BEN BUZZELLI 2008
4th	ELMER WEBER 1942	6th	MATT KALLAI 2000	3rd KAGAN SQUIRE 2009	
2nd	JACK SMITH 1942	5th	ZAK KALLAI 2000	3rd NICK TAVANELLO 2009	
3rd	ART CARTWRIGHT 1942	3rd	MATT KALLAI 2001	4th BEN BUZZELLI 2009	
5th	BRAD HOUSE 1977	4th	DEREK KLAUS 2001	6th BRAD SQUIRE 2009	
5th	TOM KELLY 1977	4th	DONNIE SROCK 2002	7th LOUDEN GORDON 2009	
6th	TOM KELLY 1978	6th	CHANCE RILEY 2002	8th ALEX GRAY 2009	
4th	DAVE RUCKMAN 1978	6th	TIMMY MILLER 2002	8th CALEB BUSSON 2009	
2nd	BART RANDOLPH 1987	6th	DONNIE SROCK 2003		
2nd	MATT RANDOLPH 1989	3rd	TIMMY MILLER 2003		
3rd	LARRY KAUFMAN 1990	2nd	ADAM MELTON 2003		
5th	REX RANDOLPH 1993	3rd	LUKE BUSSON 2003		
3rd	MIKE KALLAI 1994	6th	JEFF GASSER 2004		
5th	PETE KLASSEN 1994	2nd	ADAM MELTON 2004		
2nd	JOSH KENDRICKS 1995	2nd	TIMMY MILLER 2004		
3rd	TOM SERYAK 1995	4th	LUKE BUSSON 2004		
5th	REGGIE RAY 1996	2nd	DEREK FOORE 2005		
3rd	JEREMY PAIZS 1997	3rd	JOSH KALLAI 2005		
5th	JEREMY PAIZS 1998	5th	JAMEY SROCK 2005		
2nd	SEAN WATTERS 1998	2nd	DEREK FOORE 2006		
2nd	SEAN WATTERS 1999	4th	DANNY FOORE 2007		
		2nd	DEREK FOORE 2007		

Wadsworth Grizzly Wrestling

John Gramuglia

John Gramuglia has been a teacher and coach for 29 years. He is currently teaching journalism and is adviser for the school newspaper at Wadsworth High School. As head wrestling coach of Wadsworth High School for the past 25 years, John Gramuglia has produced a career dual meet record of 251-59-1 and 17 straight Suburban League Championships, 18 overall. His teams have amassed 12 Sectional titles, 2 District title, 8 District runners-up.

Over the past sixteen years, his teams have placed in the top 10 of State 15 times and the top 5 four out of the last six years. He has coached 218 District qualifiers, 80 State qualifiers, 53 state placers and 7 state champions.

He earned a Bachelor's degree from John Carroll University where he wrestled for Tony DeCarlo and has earned a Master's Degree from the University of Akron in Sports Administration.

He and his lovely wife, Cindy of twenty seven years have a 24 year old son Sean and 16 year old daughter Dana.

COACHING WRESTLING - INDIVIDUALS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 218 district qualifiers
- 80 state qualifiers
- 53 state placers
- 22 state finalists
- 7 state champions
- Qualified an individual to the state tournament for 24 consecutive years
- Coached a state place winner for 15 of 16 years

COACHING WRESTLING - TEAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Overall record at the school- 251-59-1

State Tournament Wrestling top ten Division I finishes

1993-1994	10th place	27 points
1994-1995	8th place	38.5 points
1995-1996	8th place	40 points
1996-1997	9th place	36 points
1997-1998	7th place	40 points
1998-1999	5th place	51 points
2000-2001	5th place	60 points
2001-2002	6th place	62 points
2002-2003	5th place	59 points
2003-2004	4th place	69 points
2004-2005	3rd place	73.5 points
2005-2006	7th place	52 points
2006-2007	4th place	56 points
2007-2008	8th place	40 points
2008-2009	5th place	74 points

COACHING WRESTLING -TEAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS-CONTINUED

- District wrestling tournament champions : 2x
- District wrestling tournament runner-ups: 8x
- 9 State Dual Meet tournament appearances- Highest Finish 1st 2009 2nd 2004
- Teams have placed in the top ten at district tournaments 17 of the last 18 years
- Sectional Champions: 12x

PERSONAL WRESTLING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

High School

Varsity Letterman for St. Ignatius High School 1973-1976

College

Varsity Letterman for John Carroll University 1977-1980

WRESTLING AWARDS AND HONORS

- Ohio H.S. Coaches Association Division I Coach of the Year 2001
- Member of the Medina County Hall of Fame 2001
- Member of Trinity High School Sports Hall of Fame 2000
- Member of Wadsworth High School Sports Hall of Fame 2002
- Medina Gazette Coach of the Decade 1990-1999
- Medina Gazette Winter Coach of the Year 1990
- 2x Greater Cleveland Wrestling Coaches and Officials Coach of the Year
- 3x Plain Dealer Coach of the Year
- 3x Beacon Journal Coach of the Year
- 3x Touchdown Club Coach of the Year
- 18x Suburban League Coach of the Year

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SPORT OF WRESTLING

- Originator of the Grizzly Invitational Wrestling Tournament 1985-present
- Originator of the Wadsworth Youth Wrestling organization in 1985-present
- Originator of the Grizzly Freestyle/Greco club 1999-present
- Originator of the All State/ All American Wrestling Camp 1985-present
- President Greater Cleveland Coaches & Officials Wrestling Association 2003, 2004
- Vice-President Greater Cleveland Coaches & Officials Wrestling Association 2001, 2002
- Past-President Greater Cleveland Coaches & Officials Wrestling Association 2005, 2006, 2007
- Director of USA State Freestyle Championship 1998-Present
- Co- Director of OHSWCA State Dual Meet Championship 1996-Present

WADSWORTH 2009-10 WRESTLING DATA SHEET

Head coach: John Gramuglia **Years at school:** 24 years
School phone 330.336.3260 A.D. **Coach's home phone:** 330.336.7091
Cell:330.606.1064
E-mail: g-man@wadsworth.k12.oh.us

School: Wadsworth H.S. **Nickname:** Grizzlies
League: Suburban League (SL) **OHSAA Classification:** Division I
Overall record last year: 13-1 **League record last year** 7-0
Past league titles for school: 18 League Titles /17 in a row **SL Tournament Champs**

Coach's record at school: 251-59-1 /
Total years at head coach: 25 years

2008-09 State team competition: 1st Sectional /1st Place District /5th place in State

Overall State team competition: 12 sectional titles/ 2 District title/ 8 District runners-up / State competition:
Placed in the Top Ten last 15 out of 16 years / Placed in Top 5 last 7 out of 9 years

2008-09 State individual competition: 13 District qualifiers/9 State Qualifiers/7 State Placers

Overall State individual competition:218 District qualifiers/80 State qualifiers/53 State placers/7 State champs

Assistant coaches and responsibilities:

Mike Kallai – Varsity Assistant Coach
Brandon Cobb- Junior Varsity /Assistant Varsity Coach
Jason Friedt- Head Freshman Coach/Assistant Varsity Coach
Matt Shiarla- Head Middle School Coach
Kip Shipley- Assistant Middle School Coach
Gary Skoch– Assistant Volunteer Coach
Larry Kaufman Assistant Volunteer Coach
Danny Foore- Assistant Volunteer Coach
Jerry Nadeau- Assistant Volunteer Coach
Caleb Currier- Assistant Volunteer- New
Brent Johnson- Assistant Volunteer-New
Bobby Jones-Strength and Conditioning Coach
Ron Burdette-Team Trainer
Dr. Nick Papas-Team Doctor

BACKGROUND OF HEAD COACH

Birthdate: 4-24-58 **Hometown:** Cleveland
High School: St. Ignatius **Class of:** 1976
College: John Carroll University **Class of:** 1980
Did you wrestle in high school? Yes **St. Ignatius** **College?** Yes John Carroll University

Athletic honors in high school: All-League District Qualifier

Athletic honors in college: Varsity lettermen and member of John Carroll's elite teams in 1976-1980

Coaches Honors: Medina County Gazette COY 1990 Medina County Coach of the Decade 1990-1999;
1999 Greater Cleveland Coaches and Officials COY, 2001 Ohio Division I COY, 2002 Touchdown Club COY
2002 Plain Dealer COY, 2003 Medina Hall Of Fame, 2004 Plain Dealer COY 2004 Akron Touchdown Club
COY, Medina County Gazette COY 2005, COY 2005 Akron Touchdown Club COY Plain Dealer 2007
Medina County Gazette COY 2008, COY 2008 Akron Touchdown Club COY, Medina County Gazette COY
2008, Winter Coach of the Year 2009 Akron Touchdown Club COY 2009

Scholastic honors in college and post-graduate degrees: Masters Degree Sports Administration

Married? Yes 28 years **Members of family:** Wife, Cindy; Son, Sean (24) Daughter, Dana (16)