



**WRESTLING**

# Grizzly Wrestling 2011-2012



## Wrestlers prepare to and win 20th straight SLT

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The Wadsworth wrestling program produced four State Tournament finalist with Nick Tavanello earning his second straight individual State Championship, winning 5-2 over Ty Walz from Lakewood St. Edward.

In addition, the Grizzlies finished 13-2 in dual matches, won a Sectional Championship, District Runner-up, qualified nine individuals to State, with four state placers, including State Champion: Nick Tavanello. State runners-up: Kagan Squire (125) Nate Ball (140) and Sheldon Brandenburg (160); These accomplishments helped lead the Grizzlies to State 3rd Place finish and a National ranking of 20th in final *Amateur Wrestling News* top 40 poll.

After completing one of the toughest schedules in team history and winning its 19th consecutive Suburban League Championship, area teams may wonder if the Grizzlies will have anything left in the year 2011-12. This year 2x State Champ Tavanello and State Runner-up Kagan Squire along with two other State Qualifiers, Aaron Warstler and Brandon Jones, are back with the rest of the 2011-12 team to begin the quest of continued dominance of the Suburban League and bring home another Banner from the 16,000 seat Schottenstein Center in Columbus March 1-3 at the OHSAA State Championship.

The nucleus of the 2011-2 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 Ohio State and University of Michigan's team camps, and competing nationally in the Junior Duals in Oklahoma and the Cadet and Junior National Tournaments in Fargo, North Dakota.

The 2011-12 team is led by **Captains:** Christian Baughman, Brandon Jones, Kagan Squire, Nick Tavanello, and, other returning **letterwinners:** Aaron Warstler, Abdulhabib Abdulhabib, Cody Gordon, C.J. Edwards, Hayden Frisby, Daryk Maki, Jordan Schleigh, Tyler Lucas- Walsh and Mathias Zollinger. **Coaches:** Head Coach John Gramuglia, Assistants: Jerry Nadeau, Brandon Cobb, and Kip Shipley, Volunteers: Larry Kaufman, Matt Hulme, Jeff Rager and Tom Valenti **Team Doctors:** Dr. Nick Papas and Dr. Brandon Bupp **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 18th ninth grade class with Youth League experience at Firestone High School, and the entire state has indeed noticed the difference.

Over 40 enthusiastic 7th and 8th graders have turned out for the Middle School team. They are coached by Matt Shiarla and assistant coach Jason Friedt 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. Tim Knipl (4th), Shane Mast, Corey Riggerbauh, Brandon Baughman, Noah Baughman, Sean Patterson, and Mitchell Frisby represented Wadsworth at the Junior High State Tournament.

Our Youth Program has over 110 members and a strong coaching nucleus headed again by Todd Baughman and a multitude of dad coaches. Our treasurer Matt Swartzbaugh continues to help organize and develop the inner workings of the program. heads up the rest of the mom and dads for a variety of projects. Last year the Red team finished 2nd in the State tournament out of 139 teams with 14 State Qualifiers and 9 State Placers: Brandon Randolph 73, Gavin Stika 76, Conner Clark 79, Riley Smucker 86, Cody Surratt 95, Zach Jarvis 110, Manny Garza 120, Evan Gobel 120 were State Qualifiers. State Placers were: Zach Steiner 105, State Champion Alan Hart 79, State Champion Jayden Morr, 52 State Runner-up Michael North 64, State Runner-up Joey Baughman 90, State Runner-up Trenton Schar 82, 3rd Place Michael McIntire 100 4th Place Riley Smucker 86 6th Place.

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.

# **COACHES DUTIES 2011-12**

Head Coach: John Gramuglia

Varsity assistant coach: Jerry Nadeau

Varsity assistant coach: Brandon Cobb (JV)

Varsity assistant coach: Kip Shipley (Freshmen)

Volunteer assistant: Larry Kaufman

Volunteer assistant: Jeff Rager

Volunteer assistant: Matt Hulme

Volunteer assistant: Tom Valenti

Strength and conditioning coach: Bobby Jones

Team Doctors: Dr. Papas Dr. Bupp

Trainer: Ron Burdette

Head Middle School coach: Matt Shiarla

Assistant Middle school coach: Jason Friedt (new)

Volunteer Middle School coach : Brent Johnson

Head Youth Coach- Todd Baughman

Team Manager:

Treasurer: Matt Swartzbaugh

## 2011- 12 Wadsworth Grizzly Schedule

Fri.November 25	Preview @ Padua
Sat.December 3	Moeller Duals@ Cin. Moeller HS
Fri-Sat.Dec.9,10	Asics Ironman Tournament @Walsh Jesuit
Thurs.December 15	Suburban Tri-@Cloverleaf vs. Highland/Cloverleaf
Fri-Sat. Dec. 16,17	North Canton Tournament
Thurs / Fri.Dec 29,30	Brecksville Holiday Tournament
Thurs.January 5	Suburban Tri-@ Revere vs. Tallmadge/Revere
Sun. January 8	State Duals @ Wadsworth
Thurs.January 19	Suburban Tri- @ Nordonia vs. Green/Copley
Thurs.January 26	Suburban Dual- vs. Nordonia (Senior Night)
Sat.January 28	GIT
Thurs. February 2	@ Walsh Jesuit
Sat. February 11	Suburban League Tourn. @ Revere
Fri-Sat. Feb. 17,18	Sectionals @ TBA
Fri-Sat. Feb. 24,25	Districts @ TBA
Th, Fri, Sat Mar 1, 2, 3	State Tournament @ Columbus

# WADSWORTH WRESTLING DATA SHEET

NAME	WEIGHT CLASS	YEAR	LAST YEAR'S RECORD	STATE FINISH
<b>2011 VARSITY LETTERMAN ROSTER</b>				
<u>NAME</u>			<u>2010 RECORD</u>	
CORY RIGGENBAUGH	106	FRESHMAN	25-6	<b>JH STATE QUALIFIER</b>
CONNOR GRAY	106	FRESHMAN	30-4	<b>JH STATE QUALIFIER</b>
JORDON SCHLEIGH	113	SOPHOMORE	25-16	<b>DISTRICT QUALIFIER</b>
MATHIAS ZOLLINGER	120	JUNIOR	14-6	
BRANDON JONES	126	SENIOR	35-13	<b>2X STATE QUALIFIER</b>
DUSTIN CART	126	JUNIOR	24-11	
AARON WARSTLER	138	SENIOR	25-15	<b>STATE QUALIFIER</b>
KAGAN SQUIRE	132	SENIOR	50-3	<b>2x STATE RUNNER-UP</b>
CHRISTIAN BAUGHMAN	145	SENIOR	33-12	<b>STATE ALTERNATE</b>
CJ EDWARDS	152	SENIOR	23-17	<b>STATE ALTERNATE</b>
CODY GORDON	160	SENIOR	7-3	INJURED
TYLER LUCAS WALSH	160	SOPHOMORE	12-3	
TIM KNIPEL	170	FRESHMAN	40-4	<b>JH STATE PLACER</b>
HAYDEN FRISBY	195	SENIOR	8-8	
JACK BERTUZZI	182	JUNIOR	7-2	
TIM RYAN	195	SENIOR	11-8	
BRENT SPINELLI	220	SENIOR	2-2	
DARYK MAKI	HVY	JUNIOR	5-2	
NICK TAVANELLO	HVY	SENIOR	47-2	<b>2X STATE CHAMPION</b>

### Promising Newcomers

**SENIORS:** Cody Gordon, Tim Ryan, Brent Spinelli will push for Varsity spots and will add lots of leadership. They have been waiting three years for their chance to break the lineup. **JUNIORS:** Mathias Zollinger, Daryk Maki and Dustin Cart will add depth to the team and fight for starting spots vacated by the six outstanding graduates; **SOPHOMORES:** Jordan Schleigh Alex Carroll, and Tyler Lucas Walsh will also contribute.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL STANDOUTS:** Connor Gray, Cory Rigenbaugh, Timmy Knipel will push for the starting spot at 106 and 170 respectively.

### LETTERMEN LOST:

Seniors Clay Wenger, Nate Ball, Sheldon Brandenburg, Alfredo Gray, Jake Crowley, Ryan Murphy and Dom Owens while fill ins like Matt Abel, Hussain Abdulhabib, Luke Centea, Frankie Collins, and Aidan Cool.

### COMMENTS (STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES)

“Overall, we are a less experienced team with a possibility of 8 Seniors, 4 Juniors and 2 Sophomores and 3 Freshmen starting this year. Our schedule is one of the toughest in the state. We have one State champ, a state runnerup, 2 State qualifiers, 2 State Alternate and 7 district qualifiers back, with inexperience wrestlers in rest of the weight classes. Nevertheless, newcomers have been very successful at the Middle school, JV level and Varsity B or 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 10 years along with the additions of some valuable new coaches. This should guarantee a fun and exciting season.

### Suburban League

“The Suburban League will be strongest in years with Copley, Highland and addition of perennial power Nordonia returning their entire roster with many State qualifiers from the 2011 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, and Brecksville should stand above the rest.

Preseason top 10 poll: 1. Massillon Perry 2. Brecksville 3. Walsh 4. CVCA 5. Wadsworth 6. Barberton 6.. SVSM 7. Highland 8. Copley 9. Medina, 10 Crestwood

WADWORTH 2010-2011 VARSITY WRESTLING TEAM STANDINGS  
COACH JOHN GRAMUGLIA

WIN / LOSS	TEAMS	SCORE
W	ST.XAVIER	67-12
W	SPRINGBORO	66-3
W	MASON	41-15
W	MOELLER	31-24
W	HIGHLAND (SUBURBAN LEAGUE)	63-10
W	CLOVERLEAF (SUBURBAN LEAGUE)	72-3
W	TALLMADGE (SUBURBAN LEAGUE)	72-0
W	REVERE (SUBURBAN LEAGUE)	81-0
W	MOELLER (STATE DUALS)	34-13
L	PERRY (STATE DUALS)	22-28
W	ELDER (STATE DUALS)	54-12
W	COPLEY(SUBURBAN LEAGUE)	55-3
W	GREEN (SUBURBAN LEAGUE)	72-3
W	BARBERTON (SUBURBAN LEAGUE)	54-9
L	ST PARIS GRAHAM	25-39

LEAGUE 7-0 INDEPENDENT 6-2

TOTAL 13-2

TOURNAMENT STANDINGS

MOELLER DUALS- 1ST PLACE  
ASICS IRONMAN TOURNAMENT – 14th PLACE (77.5 PTS)  
NORTH CANTON TOURNAMENT – 1ST PLACE (251 PTS)  
BRECKSVILLE HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT – 2nd PLACE (167 PTS)  
GIT POOL TOURNAMENT – 1st PLACE (398 PTS)  
SUBURBAN LEAGUE TOURNAMENT – 1ST PLACE (235.5 PTS)  
SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT - 1ST PLACE ( 287 PTS)  
DISTRICT TOURNAMENT – 2nd PLACE (223 pts)  
STATE TOURNAMENT - 3RD PLACE (96 PTS) BANNER

# WADSWORTH WRESTLING STATE RECORDS

## STATE CHAMPS

ED ENGLE	1938	CHRIS KALLAI JR	2001	NICK TAVANELLO	2010
KEITH WOLF	1938	MATT KALLAI	2002	BEN BUZZELLI	2010
KEN CARTWRIGHT	1942	TIMMY MILLER	2005	<b>NICK TAVANELLO 2011</b>	
JUNIOR MC CRORK	1942	DAVID CROWLEY	2006		
JIM SAILORS	1943	BRAD SQUIRE	2007		
BOBBY JONES	1996	BRAD SQUIRE	2010		
BOBBY JONES	1997	LOUDEN GORDON	2010		

## 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	CALEB BUSSON 2010
2nd	MATT RANDOLPH 1989	3rd	TIMMY MILLER 2003	2nd	KAGAN SQUIRE 2010
3rd	LARRY KAUFMAN 1990	2nd	ADAM MELTON 2003	5th	ALFREDO GRAY 2010
5th	REX RANDOLPH 1993	3rd	LUKE BUSSON 2003	5th	SHELDON BRANDENBURG 2010
3rd	MIKE KALLAI 1994	6th	JEFF GASSER 2004	6th	NATE BALL
5th	PETE KLASSEN 1994	2nd	ADAM MELTON 2004	<b>2nd KAGAN SQUIRE 2011</b>	
2nd	JOSH KENDRICKS 1995	2nd	TIMMY MILLER 2004	<b>2nd NATE BALL 2011</b>	
3rd	TOM SERYAK 1995	4th	LUKE BUSSON 2004	<b>2nd SHELDON BRANDENBURG 2011</b>	
5th	REGGIE RAY 1996	2nd	DEREK FOORE 2005	<b>5th ALFREDO GRAY 2011</b>	
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 WRESTLING RECORDS

<u>SEASON</u>		<u>CAREER</u>	
<b>KAGAN SQUIRE</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>MOST WINS</b>	DEREK FOORE 170
JOSH KALLAI	35	MOST PINS	BEN BUZZELLI 107
CLAY WENGER	232	<b>MOST TAKEDOWNS</b>	<b>CLAY WENGER 585</b>
DONNIE SROCK	100	MOST NEARFALLS	DONNIE SROCK 222
DONNIE SROCK	33	MOST REVERSALS	ZAK KALLAI 90

## TEAM RECORDS

### LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

1973, 1990, 1993, 1994,  
1995, 1996, 1997, 1998,  
1999, 2000, 2001, 2002,  
2003, 2004, 2005, 2006,  
2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, **2011**

### BEST DUAL RECORD

15-0 2010  
9-0 1994, 1995, 1996

### DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

1999, 2009

### BEST STATE

1st 2010, 1st 1942, 5th 1999  
3rd 2005, **3rd 2011**, 5th 2001  
4th 2004 5th 2003  
4th 2007, 5th 2009

### DISTRICT RUNNERS-UP

2000, 2003, 2004,  
2005, 2006, 2007, 2010, **2011**

### MOST STATE QUALIFIERS

8	1942
6	2003
6	2004
9	2009, <b>2011</b>
12	2010

### SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

1990, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999,  
2000, 2003, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010, **2011**

### FASTEST PIN

ADAM MELTON 8 seconds  
2004

## TOP TEN STATE PLACING

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
2009-2010	1ST PLACE	172 POINTS
<b>2010-2011</b>	<b>3RD PLACE</b>	<b>96 POINTS</b>





**WRESTLING**

**STATE QUALIFIER**



**AARON  
WARSTLER**

**STATE ALTERNATE**



**CHRISTIAN  
BAUGHMAN**



**STATE  
CHAMP**

**NICK  
TAVANELLO**



**STATE QUALIFIER**



**BRANDON  
JONES**

**STATE ALTERNATE**



**CJ EDWARDS**



**KAGAN SQUIRE**

**STATE RUNNERUP**

**"PAIN WILL PASS...  
CHAMPIONSHIPS  
REMAIN  
FOREVER"**

**-WIN #20-**