



MAHONEY WELLNESS CENTER, ST. JOHN'S PREP, DANVERS MA
SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MARCH 14-15, 2020

The 2020 Youth New England Wrestling Championships will take place **Saturday & Sunday, March 14-15, 2020 in the Mahoney Wellness Center at St. John's Prep (Danvers MA)**. Entry fee is **\$40 per wrestler** (\$5 rebate with USA, NUWAY, or AAU membership card); all wrestlers are guaranteed a minimum of two matches. Spectator admission fees: adults (\$10 per day); under-12 (\$5 per day); under-5 (free). Coach's passes by allotment method. Food concessions will be available. Very cool apparel and wrestling gear from *Competitive Edge*.

On-line registration will take place through the Youth New England Wrestling website (YNEW.org). **ALL wrestlers MUST register online before 11 PM on Monday March 9th**. Age & Weight Eligibility (Co-ed Competition): **Intermediate** (9/1/09–8/31/11 birth dates) – 52, 56, 60, 64, 68, 72, 77, 82, 88, 96, 108, 125 & 155; **Novice** (9/1/07 – 8/31/09 birth dates) – 63, 69, 73, 77, 81, 86, 91, 97, 103, 111, 123, 138, 165 & 195; **Middle School** (9/1/04–8/31/07 birth dates) – 74, 81, 88, 94, 100, 106, 112, 118, 124, 130, 136, 143, 154, 169, 188, 215 & 260. Age eligibility for Girls Competition uses the same birth dates as Co-ed Competition. Girls weight classes will be determined by the actual weights of registered wrestlers by using the Madison system. More registration information is available at YNEW.org.

All wrestlers **MUST weigh in at or below the YNEW weight for which they register**. Wrestlers may compete at their state weight class or another weight class, up or down, from their state weight. All wrestlers **MUST** be born within the birth ranges for each age division. Wrestlers will certify their age during online registration. The tournament directors will not collect birth certificates. An age-challenge procedure is available for a **\$25 fee**. If challenged, a wrestler will be required to produce proof-of-age. A wrestler who is determined to be ineligible due to age requirements will forfeit any award or placement in the tournament. Challenges may not be resolved until after the tournament.

State Qualification: State tournament dates and locations will be publicized and organized by each respective state. Wrestlers may qualify for the Youth New Englands through the individual state tournaments for the **state in which they reside**. In-state residency includes full-time boarding school students. States allotted a minimum number of automatic slots in each weight class: CT & MA (5); NH & RI (4); VT & ME (3). **Using the 5-4-3 allotments, state place finishers automatically QUALIFY for the Youth New Englands, regardless of the weight classes in which they compete at their state tournaments.** State tournament place finishes will be used as a guide to seeding that state's wrestlers. Although participation in a state-qualifying tournament is not mandatory, it is strongly encouraged. Those that do NOT automatically qualify through their state tournaments may petition for a limited number of "wild card" slots. For those that do NOT automatically qualify through state placement, an additional **\$5 administrative fee** will be charged during online registration when the petition is accepted.

High School Status: This is a youth wrestling tournament; high school students are not eligible (**no 9th graders**). Middle school wrestlers who compete for their local high school teams are only eligible if they do NOT compete in their high school state tournament or Prep New Englands.

Weigh-ins will be held on **Saturday March 14, 2020 in the Memorial Gym at St. John's Prep**. There are three weigh-in sessions on Saturday: **Morning 7–8 AM (Co-ed Intermediate ONLY); Afternoon 12–1 PM (Co-ed Novice ONLY); and Evening 4–5 PM (Co-ed Middle School & all Girls)**. Co-ed Intermediate wrestlers **MUST** weigh in during morning session (7–8 AM). Co-ed Novice wrestlers **MUST** weigh in during afternoon session (12-1 PM). Co-ed Middle School and All Girl wrestlers **MUST** weigh in during evening session (4–5 PM). **ALL** wrestlers **MUST** weigh in with a competition uniform (singlet or two-piece). All wrestlers **MUST** wear headgear during competition.

Co-ed Intermediate Wrestling at 8:30 AM on Saturday... Co-ed Novice Wrestling at 1:30 PM on Saturday... Co-ed Middle School & All Girls Wrestling at 8 AM on Sunday. Double elimination with the following period lengths: championship bouts (1.5-1.5-1.5); consolation bouts (1-1-1). Championship and consolation matches wrestled to determine six place finishers. Tournament run on eight full mats for two days.

Awards: Individual champions will receive an embroidered New England Champion hooded sweatshirt. Top three place finishers will receive attractive plaques. Finishers placing 4th, 5th, and 6th will receive commemorative medals. Team awards will be presented in two competition levels – school and club divisions – for both Co-ed and Girls competitions. Outstanding/dominant wrestlers will be recognized in six separate divisions: Intermediate (Co-ed & Girls), Novice (Co-ed & Girls), and Middle School (Co-ed & Girls).

Recommended Tournament Hotels

~ Make reservations by **March 1, 2020** and mention "Youth New Englands" for special group rates ~

~ Limited Room Availability... Book Early and Confirm Rates, Amenities, and Restrictions with Individual Hotels ~

Best Western Plus North Shore

50 Dayton Street – Danvers MA
978-777-1700

Two Double Beds – Sleeps Four

\$99/night (with full breakfast)

Hampton Inn Boston-Peabody

59 Newbury Street (Route 1 North) – Peabody MA

<http://group.hamptoninn.com/YouthNewEnglands> or 978-536-2020 (C-YNE)

Two Double Beds or King with Sofa Bed – Sleeps Four

\$109/night (with full breakfast)

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