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COACHES CODE OF ETHICS

The function of a **COACH** is to properly educate wrestlers through participation in League competition. The League's program is designed to enhance the wrestler's abilities and should never interfere with opportunities for academic success. Each wrestler should be treated as though they are the COACHES' own, their welfare shall be "upper-most" at all times. In recognition of these concerns, the following guidelines for COACHES have been adopted by the Keystone Junior Wrestling League.

A **COACH** must be aware of the tremendous influence, either good or bad, in the education of the wrestler, and thus, should never place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest desirable ideals of character.

A **COACH** must constantly uphold the honor and dignity of the coaching profession. In all personal contact with wrestlers, referees, athletic directors, administrators, other athletic associations, the media, and the public a COACH shall strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct.

A **COACH** shall take an active role in the prevention of drug, alcohol, and tobacco abuse and under no circumstances authorize or condone their use.

A **COACH** shall promote the entire Keystone League program and direct his or her program in harmony with the guidelines set forth in the Leagues' By-Laws.

A **COACH** shall be thoroughly acquainted with the contest rules and is responsible for their interpretation to the team's members. The spirit and the letter of the rules should be regarded as mutual agreements. A COACH shall not try to seek an advantage by circumvention of the spirit or letter of the rules.

A **COACH** shall actively use his or her influence to enhance sportsmanship by their spectators working closely with the booster clubs and administrators.

A **COACH** shall support and show respect towards contest officials. A COACH shall not indulge in conduct which will incite players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of officials, players or other COACHES is unethical.

A **COACH** shall meet and exchange friendly greetings before and after a contest with rival COACHES to set a positive tone for the event.

A **COACH** shall not scout opponents by any means other than those adopted by the League.

KWL Parent/Guardian and Wrestler's Code of Conduct

In order to ensure the safety of our wrestlers, coaches, parents, spectators, and guests, the Keystone Wrestling League has agreed to enforce a Parent/Guardian and Wrestler Code of Conduct for all participating families of the league. In complying with this Code of Conduct, The Keystone Wrestling League has implemented a **ZERO TOLERANCE** policy for all violations of this code.

If any parent/guardian, wrestler or spectator is found in violation of this code of conduct you may be asked to leave the premises or event immediately. The Keystone Wrestling League Rules and Grievance committee will then review the incident and violations and determine if any disciplinary actions are necessary at that time.

Wrestler's Code of Conduct

1. **I will treat all my teammates, coaches and opponents with respect.**
2. **I will not use bad language.**
3. **I will not punch, kick or scream at my opponent, referee or my coach.**
4. **I will show good sportsmanship always.**
5. **I will remember that I am representing myself, my family and my school/program.**
6. **I will have fun.**

Parent Code of Conduct

- I will encourage good sportsmanship at all times through my actions and words by demonstrating positive support for all wrestlers, parents/guardians, coaches and officials at every Keystone Wrestling League event.
- I will remember that the matches are for the wrestlers and not for the parent/guardian. Win or lose I will appreciate the efforts of my wrestlers, the other wrestlers, coaches and referees. It is ok for my child not to win every match.
- **I (and my guests) will NOT engage in any unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent such as booing and/or taunting, refusing to shake hands, or the use of obscene language or gestures! There is a ZERO TOLLERANCE for any violation of this by parents or wrestlers!!!**
- **I understand that while attending all Keystone Wrestling League events I must abide by all rules and policies of the of the member school districts, as well as any and all local and state laws with regards to personal conduct. I further understand that local and/or state authorities can and will be called for behavior deemed violent, abusive, threatening, or illegal, and understand that while on the premises of the schools, the use of surveillance cameras is in effect 24/7/365 and can be used as evidence if needed.**
- I will not encourage my child to use moves or techniques deemed illegal or dangerous during matches or tournaments. The referees will have final say.
- I will encourage and demand that my child treats all officials, coaches, and opponents with the upmost respect at all times, regardless of the outcome of their match.
- I will respect the coaches, officers, and officials at all times. I also understand I cannot confront officials or coaches during the matches. I can request to speak to the coach at a

later time, but not during the match. Arguing with the referees will not be tolerated. The coach is the only one permitted to address the referee with any questions and/or concerns.

- I need to inform the coaching staff immediately if my child has any mental, physical or medical ailment that may affect the safety of the wrestler or any other wrestler.
- I will abide by the chain of command procedure for items of concern. Any concerns are to be addressed first by your school’s Keystone Wrestling League representative. If you feel that they are not addressing your concerns, you then can reach out to the Keystone Wrestling League Board Members.

Keystone Junior Wrestling League By-Laws and Regulations

<u>Article</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
I	02-16	<p>MEETING SCHEULE</p> <p>Officers Board Meeting...on or before October 15. Officers meeting to include pre-season weigh in site representatives. First Keystone Meeting...before pre-season mandatory weigh-ins. Mandatory weigh ins with birth certificate(2) dates at maximum of (4) sites after first meeting and before rosters are due . Second Keystone Meeting...on or before Dec. 15 Third Keystone Meeting...between 4th and 5th Match Fourth Keystone Meeting (eligibility)...between the sixth match and Keystone Tournament Final Keystone Meeting...on or before March 15... Elect officers and wrap up</p>
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II0	02-16	<p>LEAGUE OFFICERS</p> <p>The following League Offices will be voted in every season at the final League meeting following the schedule:</p> <p>President –even years (hold 2 year term) Vice-President- co-chair-odd years (hold 2 year term) Secretary-every year Treasurer-every year *Starting after 2016-2017 season with 1st Vote to take place after 2017 Finals.</p>

The League Officers for the 2016-2017 Season are:

President Doug Conroy
Vice-President co-chaired - Justin Guy and Robert Marlow
Secretary Cassie Cline-Elyes
Treasurer Charles Jelley

III	10-91	BY-LAW AMENDMENTS Rejection or acceptance of a By-Law requires a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the teams present. Two-thirds (2/3) of the teams in good standing are required to be present when voting on the rejection or acceptance of a By-Law.
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IV	02-16	TEAM REPRESENTATION Any team, which participated in the previous season, or is voted in as a new member, shall have one (1) vote. 1 st year teams do not hold voting rights.
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V	02-16	BY-LAW VOTING Upcoming year voting on all additions and changes to By-Laws will be done at the last scheduled Keystone League meeting of current season.
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VI	02-16	REPRESENTATION REQUIREMENTS The Team Representative must be present at a minimum of three (3) out of five (5) scheduled meetings of the previous season to retain voting rights *It is mandatory for all schools to have 1 representative at the 1 st meeting of the season.
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VII	02-17	TEAMS CARRY VOTING RIGHTS
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Teams in good standing for the 2017-2018 season are as follows:

APOLLO
ARMSTRONG
BALDWIN
BELLE VERNON
BLAIRSVILLE
BURRELL
CHARLEROI
CONNELSVILLE
DERRY
ELDERTON
ELIZABETH FORWARD
FRANKLIN REGIONAL
FRAZIER
GATEWAY
HIGHLANDS
INDIANA
KISKI
KNOCH
LATROBE
MCKEESPORT
MT. PLEASANT
NORWIN
PENN HILLS
PENN TRAFFORD
PLUM
RINGGOLD
SALTSBURG
SOUTH ALLEGHENY
SHADYSIDE B&G CLUB
THOMAS JEFFERSON
VALLEY
WEST MIFFLIN
WESTINGHOUSE
WOODLAND HILLS
YOUGH

VIII	10-91	EXPULSION
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At any scheduled meeting a team may motion to expel a team. The League Members will then vote on the motion. Two-thirds (2/3) of the League Members must be present. The motion must carry by two-thirds (2/3) of the members present.

IX 02-16 NEW TEAMS

A new team may petition to join the League at anytime. Upon request the League members will vote to accept or deny membership.

*Maximum number of teams in the KWL is 40

X 02-17 Keystone Wrestling League will follow PIAA Rules and Guidelines

XI 02-16 CHECKING ACCOUNT

A checking account will be established in the name of the Keystone Wrestling League; the minimum balance shall be maintained and carried forth each year.

At least 2 board members must be on the account. Ideal would be treasurer and secretary. Adding President would be bonus. Two signatures required for all checks.

XII 02-16 TEAM DUES
2016-2017 Team Dues- \$350.00

Team dues are levied to offset League cost incurred.

These items can be, but are not limited to:

- a. Tournament awards
- b. Mailing and office supplies
- b. Banking cost
- c. Meetings or professional assistance
- d. 2 badges per school for bracketing room
- e. Coaches badges

The Keystone Wrestling League, prior to collection of season's dues, shall vote and pass a financial budget to assure financial responsibility.

Additional dues can be levied if required with majority vote approval; the burden shall be shared equally among the League members.

Dues must be paid prior to the first match. The members of a Team which has not paid their dues (by the date of a match) will not be allowed to count that match towards their eligibility for the Keystone Tournament.

XIII	02-16	ROSTER FORMS
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The League will supply roster forms which must be completed and returned prior to the mandatory weigh-ins. The forms shall be completed in a systematic manner.

The final roster will be due to the secretary the Tuesday after the regular mandatory weigh ins.

Teams not adhering to the above will not be eligible for matches, until the forms are completed.

ANY AND ALL EXPENSES INCURRED DUE TO A TEAM NOT HAVING ROSTERS IN ON TIME WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE PAID BEFORE ANY MATCHES COUNT TOWARD FINALS ELIGIBILITY.

PRE-SEASON WEIGH-INS

Weigh-ins are mandatory for all wrestlers that wish to participate in Keystone Finals.

4 sites will host the pre-season weigh-ins. One representative from each school must be present at their school's weigh'ins.

Wrestling must weigh in with at least their underwear and weights are a flat weight.

XIV	10-04	LEAGUE SEASON
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The League season will consist of six (6) weekends followed by the Keystone Tournament. The match dates will be established by a membership vote each season.

XV	02-16	SITE SHORTAGE
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In case there is a shortage of host sites for a particular season. (Shortage being defined as anything less than the following format; Weeks #1, 2 and 3 will have five host schools. Weeks #4, 5 and 6 will have four host schools.) All teams that have not scheduled a site will be asked to supply at least one match site for the season. However, a team would be exempt from hosting a Keystone Match in the case of such a shortage as long as they do not hold any one of the following wrestling tournaments during the same season:

- a. First Year or Novice Tournament
- b. Jr. Open Tournament
- c. Keystone Tournament

In the event that a shortage occurs and the difference cannot be made up by voluntary means, the league can make all teams that do not host and have also scheduled one of the above tournaments to sit out one year from the League.

XVI	02-16	REGULAR MATCH ADMISSION FEE
		The host team may collect no more than the following admission fees for their regular season matches.
		Maximum for adults.....\$4.00
		Maximum for students.....\$2.00
		Wrestlers..... Free
		Kids 5 years and under.....Free
		KWL BOARD MEMBERS FREE ADMISSION

XVII	02-16	NON-MEMBER TRYING THE LEAGUE
		The host team shall collect a \$50 fee from any non-member wishing to try the league. This money would go directly to the league, however, the league must approve any non-member team wrestling at a particular site for the purpose of avoiding an over- abundance of wrestlers at that site.

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HOME MATCHES

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This is specifically to
from hosting poorly run site matches. The

host team is responsible to supply any support people,
equipment, and referees.

Any and all teams requesting Home Matches shall have
equal opportunities, and such requests shall be taken into
consideration as long as they are made before March
for the following season. After March 31st, requests
handled on a first-come, first-served basis. All sites
requesting to host a match must 2/3 approval of a

(2/3) of the teams with voting rights.

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All schools that are hosting a site match must produce a
maximum occupancy permit to the board at the beginning
of the season.

All host sites must hire and EMT or Trainer to have on site
during their site match.

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REFEREE REIMBURSEMENT

It was voted on at the end of the 2015-2016 that the league
would no longer reimburse for referees. It will remain a
requirement for the host schools have 2 card carrying
officials, but the league will no longer be responsible for
reimbursement of one of them.

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MATCH REQUIREMENTS FOR VISITING TEAM

Each visiting team must supply one (1) working
representative that is familiar with league pairing
procedures to assist with pairings and writing of bout
sheets. Keystone League ID Badge is required for pairing
room/area.

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PAIRING CARD SUBMISSIONS

Pairing cards must be turned into the League Secretary

before the next match SEPERATED BY TEAM AND IN ORDER or the team responsible will not be eligible for credit of the match unless they have a valid excuse.

XXII	02-16	MAT RESTRICTIONS
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There must be a responsible coach in a wrestler’s corner at all times. No more than two (2) coaches shall be in a wrestler’s corner at a time. If a coach is not present, the match cannot start.

No spectators are permitted on any part of the mat, unless called by the official in the case of an injury. Absolutely NO parents/spectators will be allowed along sides of mats.

These rules will be enforced by the referees. The **Host Team will be held responsible for informing the referees of these rules and for the enforcement of these rules.**

XXIII	02-17	MANDATORY HEADGEAR, SHOES AND SINGLET
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Wrestlers are required to wear headgear during Keystone matches (for the wrestler’s own safety). Headgear guidelines will follow the PIAA rules.

A match cannot be allowed to start unless both wrestlers are wearing headgear, WRESTLING shoes, and a team singlet. The use of club singlets is not permitted at Keystone events.

*A team may request a wavier on the mandatory use of a singlet (granted for hardship cases only).

XXIV	11-08	ILLEGAL HOLDS
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The Keystone League shall follow PIAA rules in regard to legal moves with the following exceptions. Holds such as the “Banana Split” or any other hold that splits the wrestler’s legs in a painful manner are banned from this League and the League Tournament.

It is the Sponsor’s (host team) responsibility to instruct the Tournament Officials (referees) to stop this move

immediately before any wrestler is injured.

No penalty will be awarded, as it is only a potentially dangerous hold. Other leg wrestling is permitted.

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PAIRING GUIDELINES

The card pairing system is mandatory at all league matches. If the host school does not use card system, all wrestlers at that site will forfeit eligibility for that match.

The goal of pairings is to achieve competitive matches while getting as much mat time as possible for the wrestlers.

We must attempt to give each wrestler two (2) matches.

There must be a give and take process (weight, age, stars, and experience) between those working in the pairing room in an attempt to get each wrestler two (2) matches.

Remember pairings will only be as good (or poor) as the pairing help.

PAIRINGS WILL BE PERFORMED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER

1. NO PAIRINGS WILL BE PERFORMED UNTILL REGISTRATION TABLES ARE CLOSED TO REGISTRATION
2. CARDS WILL BE PUT INTO AGE GROUPS BY AGE GROUPS 6U,8U,10U,AND 12U. (DO NOT TRY TO SEPARATE INTO INDIVIDUAL AGES6,7,8,ETC.
3. WEIGHTCLASSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WEIGHTCLASSES USED IN THE BYLAWS
4. EACH WEIGHTCLASS WILL HAVE THE HIGHEST STAR RATINGS AT THE TOP OF THE ORDER DOWN THRU TO 0*
5. ALL PAIRINGS WILL START AT THE BOTTOM(0*) AND WORK WAY UP TO TOP OF WEIGHTCLASSES USING LARGEST BRACKET SHEETS POSSIBLE
6. ANY AND ALL SHIFTING ANY KIDS FROM WITHIN THEIR LAIDOUT AGE GROUPS AND WEIGHT CLASSES WILL BE DONE LAST NEVER FIRST!!
7. IN ORDER TO RECEIVE CREDIT FOR WEEK YOU

WRESTLER MUST PARTICIPATE IN THEIR OWN AGE GROUP. YOU MAY WRESTLE UP AS EXTRA MATCHES.

XXVI 02-16 = STAR RATING LEDGER

- 0*... 1st year or non-aggressive experienced wrestler
- 1*... An average wrestler of his years of experience
- 2*... Aggressive above average for years of experience
- 3*... 1st / 2nd place winner in last season's Keystone Wrestling League Tournament of Champion Qualifier
- 4*... 1st-4th place winner in last season's Area Tournament effective 2017-2017, 1st and 2nd place KWL Tournament of Champions
- 5*... Place winner in last season's State Tournament

*Note: The star rating for every wrestler must be updated yearly according to last season's Keystone, Area, and All-Area Tournament results.

Note: All 2 wrestlers are eligible to be paired with 3* and 4* wrestlers.

IF YOUR WRESTLER IS WINNING EVERY MATCH AS 0*,1* THEY ARE RATED TOO LOW. YOU SHOULD BE CHANGING THAT KIDS RATING UP TO GET HIM/HER COMPETITIVE MATCHES.

XXVII 02-14 = TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION RULE

For a wrestler to be eligible for the Keystone Tournament, the wrestler must be available to wrestle in a minimum of four (4) of the regular scheduled Keystone Matches.

- a. Doctor's excuses are excluded altogether...Doctor's excuses will no longer be counted as a match wrestled. Any second match forfeited due to medical staff medically disqualifying a child during their first match will be given credit for that day.
- b. Death in the immediate family, i.e. parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins counts as a match

wrestled.

- c. No exceptions including late sign-ups or Jr. High commitments.
- d. Wrestler present and available to wrestle but cannot be matched counts as a match wrestled, however this should not happen.

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TOURNAMENT ROTATION

The following list indicates the rotation for the Keystone Tournament. If the scheduled team declines to host the Tournament, the next team on the list becomes eligible.

Any team unable to host the Keystone Tournament due to reasons beyond the team's control (i.e., schedule conflicts; school district not permitting the use of facilities) will remain at the top of the rotation for 1 year. If the team cannot host the following year they will be placed at the end of the rotation.

New teams will be added to the end of the rotation. Any team leaving the League for one (1) or more seasons will upon re-entry be added to the end of the rotation as a new team.

Rotation as of 2015-2016 season will be as follows:

PT, EF, BW, WH, ARM, TJ, PH, CH, KN, YG, DE, SA, BV, IN, BENT, BU, WM, NW, FZ, BL, FR, MP, VA, GA, EL, SS, RING, BC, AR, WHOU, KA, LA, SL, PL, MK, HL, CONN

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TOURNAMENT AND LEAGUE AGE

A wrestler's age for the entire season is the what ever age he will be on January 1st of that year. AGE WILL BE VERIFIED AT MANDATORY WEIGHINS AT BEGINNING OF SEASON.

i.e. A wrestler signs up in the fall and is 7 years old. His birthday is December 31st. That wrestler is 8 years old for the entire season.

XXX 02-16 = FINALS TOURNAMENT ADMISSION

Maximum for adults.....\$5.00
Maximum for students.....\$3.00
Wrestlers..... Free
Kids 5 years and under.....Free
KWL Board Members.....Free

XXXI 10-91 = TOURNAMENT AWARDS

Trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, place finishers of the Keystone Tournament.

The Awards Committee will be responsible for obtaining trophies and awards for the Keystone Tournament.

XXXII 11-92 = TOURNAMENT ELIGIBILITY

Any wrestler complying with By-Law XXVII and current age limitations shown in By-Law XXIX shall be allowed to participate in the Keystone Tournament.

There shall be no entrance fee for any wrestler wishing to participate in the Keystone Tournament.

XXXIII 02-14 = TOURNAMENT WEIGHT GUIDELINES

All weights will be flat weights. **No weight allowances.**

may be Weigh-ins must be held the Wednesday evening before the
Tournament. Members of the Rules Committee
present at the weigh-ins.

An eligible wrestler can only enter one (1) age and weight class. You are permitted to enter one (1) higher group/or class than the wrestler's actual class.

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An eligibility list will accompany all wrestlers cards all the way thru to the actual finals. The weight class to be wrestled in will be written in marker and circled on the wrestlers card and the actual weight will be recorded on eligibility rosters at weigh-ins. THIS IS SPECIFICALLY TO PREVENT MISTAKES DUE TO THE POSSIBILITY OF ANY CARDS BEING LOST BETWEEN WEIGHINS AND BRACKETING. THIS IS A CHECK AND BALANCE. NOBODY WILL BE ADDED TO BRACKETS AT THE FINALS. IT IS THE REPS RESPONSIBILITY TO VERIFY THAT THEIR KIDS WEIGHED IN. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

Rules Committee is the Grievance Committee with a tie vote to be broken by the President.

XXXIV	02-16	TOURNAMENT ELIMINATION The Keystone Tournament shall be double elimination starting and including the first round. Tournament host school preference.
XXXV	02-93	TOURNAMENT BRACKET GUIDELINES The maximum bracket will consist of fifteen (15) wrestlers. The minimum wrestlers required to split a bracket shall be eight (8) wrestlers. Placement of wrestlers will be done so that wrestlers will not wrestle teammates earlier than necessary. Common sense should always be used. Seeding will only be considered for 3*, 4*, and 5* wrestlers by years of experience.
XXXVI	10-00	TOURNAMENT 3-MAN BRACKET GUIDELINES All 3-man brackets will wrestle a round robin. The final match of the round robin will be completed in the semifinal round.

The 1st and 2nd place wrestlers of each round robin will walk in the parade of champions with trophies to be awarded after the parade of champions.

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02-16

TOURNAMENT AGE AND WEIGHT DIVISIONS

6 & Under...40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65,70, 80, 90
Hwt (100 lbs.max), Super Hwt (125 lbs max)

7 & 8...45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 105
Hwt (115 lbs max), Super Hwt (150 lbs max)

9 & 10... 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95,
100, 105, 110,120,130, Hwt (150 lbs max),
Super Hwt (200 lbs max)

11 & 12... 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 105,
110, 115, 125, 135, 145, 160, Hwt (250 lbs max)

XXXVIII

02-17

LEAGUE COMMITTEES

To improve and make the Keystone League and the Tournament more consistent, committees (consisting of Team Representatives) will be formed each year to oversee and provide direction for each area of concern.

The following committees shall be appointed by the President of the League annually:

- a. Rules, Grievance, and By-Law: Three (3) members
Shall interpret the existing By-Laws as applied to League functions. Shall present new and alterations to the members of the League.
- b. Tournament: Five (6) members
Shall consist of the First Host Team as Chairman, and the other host teams of the current year, plus the (3) host teams of the following year. The Committee shall create and monitor the Tournament parameters.
- d. Scheduling: Three (3) members
shall consist of the Secretary as Chairman plus two (2) additional members. The Committee shall

develop the League's match schedule.

- e. Awards: Three (3) members shall consist of the Treasurer as Chairman plus two (2) additional members. The Committee shall be responsible for obtaining trophies and awards.
- f. Eligibility: Three (3) members Shall consist of the President as Chairman plus two (2) additional members. The Committee shall monitor Participation By-Law and create an Eligibility List for the Keystone Tournament.
- g. Pairing: No less than nine (9) members Shall consist of the Vice President as Chairman and the remainder of league Officers. The three host schools of current year. The three host schools of past year and the three host schools of next year. The pairing meeting is closed to all persons who are not a Keystone rep of the current year. The brackets will be photo copied at the end of the meeting and rechecked for unauthorized changes the morning of the tournament. The Committee shall be responsible for the implementation of the Tournament Bracket By-Law.
- h. Disciplinary and Codes of Conduct: Five (5) members Shall consist of the President as Chairman plus four (4) additional members. The Committee shall be convened if necessary to address any league sanctions and disciplinary actions due to unsportsmanlike behavior site matches and league tournaments. Shall draft present codes of conduct relating to all League actions taken
NOTE: The host schools are solely responsible for all actions taken
- i. Keystone Wrestling League Tournament of Champions: Three (3) members shall consist of President as Chairman plus the hosting site of the previous year and the hosting site of the current year.

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responsible for all
during the meets, including removal of
coaches and spectators from premises if necessary.

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LEAGUE REFEREES

- a. The Keystone League season will consist of six (6) weekend matches at different locations as set forth herein.
- b. Host school will supply at least two (2) card-carrying referees, however, three (3) card carrying referees are preferable.
- c. At least FOUR (4) wrestling areas (per location) will be used. HAVING AT LEAST ONE FULL CIRCLE IS PREFERRED BUT NOT REQUIRED. A wrestling area is defined as a minimum of 20 ft by 20 ft.
- d. The balance of the referees would be supplied by the Host team (not required by the League to be card-carrying referees).
- e. Keystone Tournament referees will be chosen from referees whom did League Matches. They are to be paid by the host school from the gate. At the end of the day

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NUMBER OF TEAMS IN LEAGUE

The number of member teams will be voted on at the closing meeting of each season. The target number of teams was 30 however it has become necessary to revisit this on an annual basis to maintain the number of wrestlers that will be the most desirable to the league. Maximum number as of the close of the 15/16 season as voted on by a league is 40 teams.

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02-16

KEYSTONE TOURNAMENT

A. In order to accommodate the growing number of eligible wrestlers. The Keystone Tournament will be changed to a 4-day tournament to be held on two consecutive weekends.

- 1. A probable breakdown scenario (using last year's numbers as a guide) would look like the following:

- a. (6 & Under) would be on Saturday with one start time or two start time depending on number of wrestlers
 - b. (11 & 12 Years) would be Sunday with one or two start time depending on number of wrestlers
 - c. (7 & 8 Years) would be on the Saturday with a one or two start time depending on the number of wrestlers and the size of the site hosting.
 - d. (9 & 10 Years) would be on the Sunday with a one or two start time depending on the number of wrestlers and the size of the site hosting.
- B. The above scenario would require 4 different schools to host the Keystone Tournament. The smallest site will be required to host the smallest group

C. The Keystone Tournament will be limited to schools that can accommodate at least 5 wrestling areas and are willing to pay for a minimum of 7 card carrying refs. 5 FULL MATS ARE PREFERRED FOR FINALS BUT 5 SURFACES AS DEFINED WILL BE ACCEPTABLE. IF A TEAM CANNOT PROVIDE FOR 5 WRESTLING SURFACES THEY MAY GET LEAGUE APPROVAL DONE BY A VOTE TO HOST FINALS, HOWEVER THEY MUST TAKE THE SMALLEST OF THE GROUPS

D. The Keystone Tournament will be held as a silent tournament.

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If it is determined that a match was not held in accordance with the Keystone League By-laws the host team will their referee reimbursement and also their wrestlers will not receive credit for wrestling that week.

Host teams of regular season Keystone Matches must meet the following minimum guidelines to have their match considered to be held in good standing.

- 1) Skin check must be conducted by either a referee or a healthcare professional, i.e. doctor, nurse, EMT.
- 2) A paper will be sent out in the host schools packet. It must be filled out properly by host team rep and

returned

with the card packet.

- 3) Card packet must be mailed back to the League official in the appropriate time frame.
- 4) Admission prices at the door cannot exceed the prices set by the league.