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KEYSTONE JUNIOR WRESTLING LEAGUE

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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 SCHEDULE</p> <p>Officers Board Meeting...on or before October 15. Officers meeting to include pre-season weigh in site representatives.</p> <p>First Keystone Meeting...before pre-season mandatory weigh-ins.</p> <p>Mandatory weigh ins with birth certificate (2) dates at maximum of (4) sites after first meeting and before rosters are due .</p> <p>Second Keystone Meeting...on or before Dec. 15</p> <p>Third Keystone Meeting...between 4th and 5th Match</p> <p>Fourth Keystone Meeting (eligibility)...between the sixth match and Keystone Tournament</p> <p>Final Keystone Meeting...on or before March 15... Elect officers and wrap up</p>
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II0	10-18	<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)</p> <p>Vice-President- co-chair-odd years (hold 2-year term)</p> <p>Secretary-every year</p> <p>Treasurer-every year</p> <p>*Starting after 2016-2017 season with 1st Vote to take place after 2017 Finals.</p>

The League Officers for the 2018-2019 Season are:

President Doug Conroy
Vice-Presidentco-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	10-18	TEAMS CARRY VOTING RIGHTS
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IX	02-16	NEW TEAMS
<p>A new team may petition to join the League at any time. Upon request the League members will vote to accept or deny membership. *Maximum number of teams in the KWL is 40</p>		
X	02-17	Keystone Wrestling League will follow PIAA Rules and Guidelines
XI	02-16	CHECKING ACCOUNT
<p>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.</p>		
XII	10-18	TEAM DUES 2018-2019 Team Dues- \$350.00
<p>Team dues are levied to offset League cost incurred.</p>		
<p>These items can be, but are not limited to:</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 		
<p>The Keystone Wrestling League, prior to collection of season's dues, shall vote and pass a financial budget to assure financial responsibility.</p>		
<p>Additional dues can be levied if required with majority vote approval; the burden shall be shared equally among the League members.</p>		

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	10-18	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 Qualifier and Tournament of Champions.

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	10-18	LEAGUE SEASON
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The League season will consist of six (6) weekends followed by the Keystone Qualifiers and Tournament of Champions. The match dates will be established by a membership vote each season.

XV	10-18	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 and 2 will have 5 sites, weeks 3 and 4 will have 4 sites and weeks 5 and 6 will have 3 sites. 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.

XVIII 02-16 HOME MATCHES

Any and all teams requesting Home Matches shall have

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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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This is specifically to

from hosting poorly run site matches. The

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

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.

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MAT RESTRICTIONS

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.**

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MANDATORY HEADGEAR, SHOES AND SINGLET

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).

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ILLEGAL HOLDS

The Keystone League shall follow PIAA rules in regard to legal moves with the following exceptions.

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.

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STAR RATING LEDGER

- Star Rating to be assigned to each wrestler at the beginning of the season based on only the below criteria.
- To be used for creating more balanced competition matches at site meets
 - May be adjusted as season progresses to accommodate wrestler if it no long accurately reflects their ability.
- PRE-SEASON RATING ONLY, will be used to determine seeding at League Qualifying and/or Championship Tournaments.

- 0 Star*- 1st year or non-aggressive experienced wrestler
- 1 Star*-An average wrestler for their age and experience level
- 2 Star*- Above average for their age and experience or more aggressive wrestler
- 3 Star*-1st / 2nd place winner in last season's Keystone Wrestling League
Tournament of Champion Qualifier or 3rd or 4th place finish at previous
year Tournament of Champions Tournament
- 4 Star*-1st or 2nd Place finish at previous year Tournament of Champions
Tournament or 1st-4th Place finish at previous season's Area, state
qualifier tournament.
- 5*-State qualifier in previous season
- 6 Star*-Place winner (on podium) at previous year'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.

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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 2018-2019 season will be as follows:

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

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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.

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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

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QUALIFIER AWARDS

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

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

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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.

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TOURNAMENT WEIGHT GUIDELINES

All weights will be flat weights. No weight allowances.

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

may be

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 qualifier. The weight class to wrestled in will be written in marker and circled on the wrestlers' card and the actual weight will be recorded on the eligibility rosters at weigh-ins. THIS IS SPECIFICALLY TO PREVENT MISTAKES DUE TO THE

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POSSIBILITY OF ANY CARDS

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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 10-18 = QUALIFIER ELIMINATION
The Keystone Qualifier 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.

XXXVII	10-18	TOURNAMENT AGE AND WEIGHT DIVISIONS
		<u>6U</u> : 40-43-46-49-52-55-60-65-70-80-90-110-125
		<u>8U</u> : 43-46-49-52-55-58-61-65-70-75-82-90-99-109-120-135
		<u>10U</u> : 50-55-60-65-70-75-80-85-90-95-100- 110-120-135-150-175
		<u>12U</u> : 65-70-75-80-85-90-95-100-105-110-115-125-135-150-165-180-200-220

XXXVIII	10-18	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:
		2018-2019 Season
		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. *Charlie Jelley, Plum, Gateway
		b. Qualifier: Secretary as Chairman plus host school of upcoming year qualifiers 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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cassie Cline-Elyes and upcoming host schools
		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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cassie Cline-Elyes, Mt. Pleasant, Norwin

- 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.
 - Charlie Jelley, Cassie Cline-Elyes, Westinghouse

- 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.
 - Doug Conroy, Woodland Hills, Apollo

- 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.
 - Joe Lang, Baldwin, Westinghouse, Norwin, Kiski, Plum, Armstrong, West Mifflin, Yough, Blairsville

- 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

NOTE: The host schools are solely actions taken

 - Doug Conroy, Charlie Jelley, Knoch, Kiski, Belle Vernon, Blairsville

- 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.

- Doug Conroy, McKeesport, ?

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02-14 LEAGUE REFEREES

- The Keystone League season will consist of six (6) weekend matches at different locations as set forth herein.
- Host school will supply at least two (2) card-carrying referees, however, three (3) card carrying referees are preferable.
- 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.
- The balance of the referees would be supplied by the Host team (not required by the League to be card-carrying referees).
- 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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KEYSTONE QUALIFIER

A. In order to accommodate the growing number of eligible

wrestlers. The Keystone Qualifier will be changed to a 2-day tournament to be held on one weekend.

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

- a. Saturday: 8U and 10U (32 weight classes)
- b. Sunday: 6U and 12U (31 weight classes)

B. The above scenario would require 2 different schools to host the Keystone Tournament. The smallest site will be required to host the smallest group

C. The Keystone Qualifier 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.

E. Qualifier only for brackets with over 16 wrestlers.

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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) Card packet must be received by the League Secretary in the appropriate time frame.
- 3) Admission prices at the door cannot exceed the prices set by the league.