

# Grizzly Wrestling 2010-2011



# Wrestlers prepare to repeat as State Champions and win 19th straight SLT NEWS RELEASE December 1, 2010

The Wadsworth wrestling program made history by winning the 2010 Team State Championship with four individual State champions and five other State placers, becoming the 1st public school to win a State title since the 1977 Nordonia team. Truly, it was a historic year as wrestlers exceeded all expectations, beating perennial national power and State Champion St.Edward twice, once in a dual meet, earning a Team Dual Meet State Championship and also in the OHSAA State Tournament for the second time ever, but not since 1942.

In addition, the Grizzlies finished a perfect 15-0 in dual matches, won a Sectional Championship, District Runner-up, qualified a record 12 individuals to State, with nine state placers, including State Champions: Louden Goudon (135), Brad Squire (145), Nick Tavanello (215) and Ben Buzzelli (285). State runners-up: Kagan Squire (119) and Caleb Busson (189); Placers: Alfredo Gray (112) 5th, Sheldon Brandenburg (160) 5th and Nate Ball (145) 6th. These accomplishments helped lead the Grizzlies to dramatic State Championship and a National ranking of 6th in final *Amateur Wrestling News* top 40 poll.

After completing one of the toughest schedules in team history and winning its 18th consecutive Suburban League Championship, area teams may wonder if the Grizzlies will have anything left in the year 2010-11. This year, State Champ Tavanello and five other State placers are back. The coaching staff and the rest of the 2010-11 team are ready to begin their quest of continued dominance of the Suburban League, and repeat as State Champions in the 16,000 seat Schottenstein Center in Columbus March 3-5. This tough 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. They will try to fend off perennial League powers Barberton, Highland and Copley.

The nucleus of the 2010-11 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 2010-11 team is led by **Captains**: Nate Ball, Kagan Squire, Nick Tavanello, and Clay Wenger, **Seniors**: Hussain Abdulhabib, Matt Abel, Sheldon Brandenburg, Luke Centea, Frank Collins, Aidan Cool, Jake Crowley, Alfredo Gray, Ryan Murphy, Dom Owens, along with returning **Letter winners**: Christian Baughman, Cody Gordon, C.J. Edwards, Brandon Jones, Aaron Warstler, and Mathias Zollinger. **Coaches:** Head Coach John Gramuglia, Assistants: Jerry Nadeau, Brandon Cobb, and Kip Shipley, Volunteers: Larry Kaufman, Gary Skoch, Matt Hulme, Jeff Rager and Danny Foore. **Strength and conditioning coach:** Bobby Jones, **Team Doctors**: Dr. Nick Papas and Dr. Brandon Bupp **Team Trainer**: Ron Burdette

The future looks promising with 33 member 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 16th 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 Lance Currens and volunteer coaches Jason Friedt and 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 wrestlers represented Wadsworth at the Junior High State Tournament.

Our Youth Program has over 150 members and a strong coaching nucleus headed again by Todd Baughman and a multitude of dad coaches. Matt Swartzbaugh was elected treasurer and will help organize and develop the inner workings of the program. Team Manager Becky Randolph heads up the rest of the mom and dads for a variety of projects. Last year the Red team finished 1st in the State tournament out of 139 teams with 14 State Qualifiers and 9 State Placers: Brandon Randolph, Luke Baughman, Brandon Baughman, Trenton Schar, Brock Swartzbaugh, Zach Steiner, Tyler Gault were State Qualifiers. State Placers were: Noah Baughman State Champ, Mason Brainard State Champ, Michael North State Runner-up, Joey Baughman State Runner-up, Darrin Gilkerson 3rd, Jacob Kepler 5th, Michael McIntire 6th, Cody Surratt 6th, and Kyle Ellis 6th.

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 2010**

Head Coach: John Gramuglia

Varsity assistant coach: Jerry Nadeau (new)
Varsity assistant coach: Brandon Cobb (JV)

Varsity assistant coach: Kip Shipley (Freshmen) (new)

Volunteer assistant: Larry Kaufman

Volunteer assistant: Gary Skoch
Volunteer assistant: Danny Foore
Volunteer assistant: Caleb Currier
Volunteer assistant: Jeff Rager

Volunteer assistant: Matt Hulme

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: Lance Currens (new)

Volunteer Middle School coach: Brent Johnson

Volunteer Middle School coach: Jason Friedt (new)

Head Youth Coach-Todd Baughman

Team Manager: Becky Randolph

Treasurer: Matt Swartzbaugh

### 2010-11 Wadsworth Grizzly Schedule

Preview @ Padua November 26 Moeller Duals@ Cin. Moeller HS December 4 December 10,11 Asics Ironman Tournament @Walsh Jesuit December 16 Suburban Tri-(a) Barberton Highland/ Cloverleaf December 17,18 North Canton Tournament **Brecksville Holiday Tournament** December 29,30 Suburban Tri-@ Tallmadge/ Revere January 6 State Duals @ Wadsworth January 9 January 20 Suburban Tri-H/ Green /Copley (Senior Night) January 27 Suburban Dual- @ Barberton January 29 **GIT** February 4 @ Paris Graham February 12 Suburban League Tourn. @ Barberton February 18,19 Sectionals @ Medina February 25,26 Districts @ Massillon PerryHS

State Tournament @ Columbus

March 3, 4, 5

### WADSWORTH WRESTLING DATA SHEET

NAME	WEIGHT CLASS	YEAR	LAST YEAR'S RECORD	STATE FINISH
	20	10 VARSITY LETTERI	MAN ROSTER	
<u>NAME</u>			2009 RECORD	
JORDON SCHLEIGH	103	FRESHM	AN	
BRANDON JONES	112	JUNIOR	28-16	STATE QUALIFIER
MATHIAS ZOLLINGER	119	SOPHOMORE	4-0	
AARON WARSTLER	119	JUNIOR	3-0	
ALFREDO GRAY	125	SENIOR	44-7	STATE 5TH PLACE
KAGAN SQUIRE	125	JUNIOR	40-4	STATE RUNNER-UP
CHRISTIAN BAUGHMAN	135	JUNIOR	27-10	
CODY GORDON	135	JUNIOR	6-2	
CJ EDWARDS	140	JUNIOR	5-4	
NATE BALL	145	SENIOR	44-7	STATE 6TH PLACE
MATT ABEL	145	SENIOR	8-8	
TYLER LUCAS WALSH	145	FRESHMAN		JH STATE QUALIFIER
CLAY WENGER	152	SENIOR	39-8	STATE QUALIFIER
RYAN MURPHY	160	SENIOR	9-8	
SHELDON BRANDENBURG	G 160	SENIOR	44-7	STATE 5TH PLACE
HUSSAIN ABDULHABIB	171	SENIOR	18-11	
LUKE CENTEA	171	SENIOR	inj	
DOM OWENS	189	SENIOR	10-4	
NICK TAVANELLO	215	JUNIOR	47-2	STATE CHAMPION
JAKE CROWLEY	HVY	SENIOR	inj	
DARYK MAKI	HVY	SOPHOMORE	5-2	

### **Promising Newcomers**

**SENIORS:** Matt Abel, Hussain Abdulhabib, Luke Centea, Frankie Collins, Aidan Cool, Jake Crowley, Ryan Murphy and Dom Owens will add lots of leadership. They have been waiting three years for their chance to break the lineup. **JUNIORS:** C.J. Edwards, Cody Gordon, Zach Thompson, and Aaron Warstler will push for Varsity spots; **SOPHOMORES:** Mathias Zollinger and Daryk Maki will add depth to the team and fight for starting spots vacated by the six outstanding graduates.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL STANDOUTS** Jordan Schleigh and Tyler Lucas Walsh will push for the starting spot at 103 and 140 rspectively.

#### **Lettermen lost:**

Seniors Cory Jones, Louden Gordon, Brad Squire, Bart Randolph, Caleb Busson and Ben Buzzelli

#### Comments (strengths, weaknesses)

"Overall, we should be a less experienced team with a possiblity of 6 Seniors, 6 Juniors and 4 Sophomores and 2 Freshmen starting this year. Our schedule is one of the toughest in the state. We have one State champ, six State placers, 7 State qualifiers and 8 district qualifiers back, and we have inexperience wrestlers in rest of the weight classes. Nevertheless, 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 10 years along with the additions of some valuable new coaches. This should guarantee a fun and exciting season.

### Suburban League

"The Suburban League should be the strongest in years with Copley, Highland and Barberton returning their entire roster with many State qualifiers from the 2010 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. Copley 9. Copley 10. Barberton.

### **WADSWORTH WRESTLING RECORDS**

<b>SEASON</b>	CAREER
O 22 1 20 O 1 1	CITICAL

TIMMY MILLER	49	MOST WINS	DEREK FOORE	170
JOSH KALLAI	35	MOST PINS	BEN BUZZELLI	107
<b>CLAY WENGER</b>	232	MOST TAKEDOWNS	TIMMY MILLER	584
DONNIE SROCK	100	MOST NEARFALLS	DONNIE SROCK	222
DONNIE SROCK	33	MOST REVERSALS	ZAK KALLAI	90

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS	<b>DISTRICT CHAMPIONS</b>	<u>DISTRICT RUNNERS-UP</u>
1973, 1990, 1993, 1994,	1999, 2009	2000, 2003, 2004,
1995, 1996, 1997, 1998,		2005, 2006, 2007 <b>, 2010</b>
1999, 2000, 2001, 2002,	BEST STATE	
2003, 2004, 2005, 2006,	<b>1ST 2010,</b> 1st 1942, 5th 1999	<b>MOST STATE QUALIFIERS</b>
2007,2008, 2009 <b>, 2010</b>	3rd 2005 5th 2001	8 1942
<b>BEST DUAL RECORD</b>	4th 2004 5th 2003	6 2003
15-0 2010	4th 2007, 5th 2009	6 2004
9-0 1994, 1995, 1996		9 2009
,		12 2010

#### **FASTEST PIN**

 SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS
 ADAM MELTON
 8 seconds

 1990,1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999,
 2004

 2000,2003, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010
 2010

## **TOP TEN STATE PLACING**

2009-2010	<b>1ST PLACE</b>	172 POINTS
2008-2009	5TH PLACE	74 POINTS
2007-2008	8TH PLACE	40 POINTS
2006-2007	4TH PLACE	56 POINTS
2005-2006	7TH PLACE	52 POINTS
2004-2005	3RD PLACE	73.5 POINTS
2003-2004	<b>4TH PLACE</b>	69 POINTS
2002-2003	<b>5TH PLACE</b>	59 POINTS
2001-2002	<b>6TH PLACE</b>	62 POINTS
2000-2001	5TH PLACE	60 POINTS
1998-1999	5TH PLACE	51 POINTS
1997-1998	7TH PLACE	40 POINTS
1996-1997	9TH PLACE	36 POINTS
1995-1996	8TH PLACE	40 POINTS
1994-1995	8TH PLACE	38.5 POINTS
1993-1994	10TH PLACE	27 POINTS
1942-1943	1ST PLACE	34 POINTS

### WADSWORTH WRESTLING STATE RECORDS

### STATE CHAMPS

ED ENGLE	1938	CHRIS KALLAI JR 200	1 BRAD SQUIRE 2010
KEITH WOLF	1938	MATT KALLAI 200	2 LOUDEN GORDON 2010
KEN CARTWRIGHT	1942	TIMMY MILLER 200	5 NICK TAVANELLO 2010
JUNIOR MC CRORK	1942	DAVID CROWLEY 200	6 BEN BUZZELLI 2010
JIM SAILORS	1943	BRAD SQUIRE 200	7
BOBBY JONES	1996	BRAD SQUIRE 201	0
BOBBY JONES	1997	LOUDEN GORDON 201	0

### **STATE PLACERS**

3rd 2nd 4th 2nd 3rd 5th 5th 6th 4th 2nd 3rd 3rd	BOB WHITE 1942 BOB SHANNON 1942 ELMER WEBER 1942 JACK SMITH 1942 ART CARTWRIGHT 1942 BRAD HOUSE 1977 TOM KELLY 1977 TOM KELLY 1978 DAVE RUCKMAN 1978 BART RANDOLPH 1987 MATT RANDOLPH 1989 LARRY KAUFMAN 1990	6th DONNIE SROCK 2003 3rd TIMMY MILLER 2003 2nd ADAM MELTON 2003	2nd BRAD SQUIRE 2008 4th BEN BUZZELLI 2008 3rd KAGAN SQUIRE 2009 3rd NICK TAVANELLO 2009 4th BEN BUZZELLI 2009 6th BRAD SQUIRE 2009 7th LOUDEN GORDON 2009 8th ALEX GRAY 2009 8th CALEB BUSSON 2009 2ND CALEB BUSSON 2010 2ND KAGAN SQUIRE 2010 5TH ALFREDO GRAY 2010
3rd 5th 3rd 5th	LARRY KAUFMAN 1990 REX RANDOLPH 1993 MIKE KALLAI 1994 PETE KLASSEN 1994	2nd ADAM MELTON 2003 3rd LUKE BUSSON 2003 6th JEFF GASSER 2004 2nd ADAM MELTON 2004	5TH ALFREDO GRAY 2010 5TH SHELDON BRANDENBURG 2010 6th NATE BALL
2nd 3rd 5th 3rd 5th 2nd 2nd	JOSH KENDRICKS 1995 TOM SERYAK 1995 REGGIE RAY 1996 JEREMY PAIZS 1997 JEREMY PAIZS 1998 SEAN WATTERS 1998 SEAN WATTERS 1999	2nd ADAM MELION 2004 2nd TIMMY MILLER 2004 4th LUKE BUSSON 2004 2nd DEREK FOORE 2005 3rd JOSH KALLAI 2005 5th JAMEY SROCK 2005 2nd DEREK FOORE 2006 4th DANNY FOORE 2007 2nd DEREK FOORE 2007	

# JOHN P. GRAMUGLIA Sport of wrestling biography

John Gramuglia has been a teacher and coach for 30 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 27 years, John Gramuglia has produced a career dual meet record of 266-59-1 and 18 straight Suburban League Championships, 19 overall. His teams have amassed 13 Sectional titles, 2 District titles, and 9 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 231 District qualifiers, 92 State qualifiers, 59 state placers and 11 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- nine years have a 25 year old son Sean and 17 year old daughter Dana.

Coaching Wrestling - Individual Accomplishments

- 231 district qualifiers
- 92 state qualifiers
- 60 state placers
- 26 state finalists
- 11 state champions
- Qualified an individual to the state tournament for 25 consecutive years
- Coached a state place winner for 17 of 18 years

### Coaching Wrestling - Team Accomplishments

Overall record at the school- 266-59-1

#### State Tournament Wrestling top ten Division I finishes

2009-2010	1st place	172 points
2008-2009	5th place	74 points
2007-2008	8 th place	40 points
2006-2007	4 th place	56 points
2005-2006	7 th place	52 points
2004-2005	3 rd place	73.5 points
2003-2004	4 th place	69 points
2002-2003	5 th place	59 points
2001-2002	6 th place	62 points
2000-2001	5 th place	60 points
1998-1999	5 th place	51 points
1997-1998	7 th place	40 points
1996-1997	9 th place	36 points
1995-1996	8 th place	40 points
1994-1995	8 th place	38.5 points
1993-1994	10th place	27 points

### Coaching Wrestling - Team Accomplishments - Continued

- District wrestling tournament champions: 2x
- District wrestling tournament runner-ups: 9x
- 10 State Dual Meet tournament appearances Highest Finish 1st 2009, 1st 2010, 2nd 2004
- Teams have placed in the top ten at district tournaments 18 of the last 19 years
- Sectional Champions: 13x

### Personal Wrestling Accomplishments High School

- Varsity Letterman for St. Ignatius High School 1976
   College
- Varsity Letterman for John Carroll University 1977–1980

#### Wrestling Awards and Honors

- Member of the OHSCA Hall Of Fame March 6, 2010
- 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 1996, 2009,2010
- 4x Greater Cleveland Wrestling Coaches and Officials Coach of the Year
- 4x Plain Dealer Coach of the Year
- 4x Beacon Journal Coach of the Year
- 3x Touchdown Club Coach of the Year
- ♦ 19x 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