## Wadsworth junior, seniors dominate National spotlight Squire wins National title, Gray third, Wenger sixth

04/3/2011 - Wadsworth had seven wrestlers participate in the Flo National Tournament at Walsh Jesuit High School April 2 and 3 with three earning the prestigious All American honors (Top 8). They include Junior Kagan Squire, 125 National Champion, Alfredo Gray 125  $3^{rd}$  place, and Clay Wenger 145  $6^{th}$  place.

They competed against the country's best during the Premiere National Tournament for all high school age wrestlers. Flo Nationals is the tournament that brings together the best HS wrestlers in the country in one division. With the addition of the college out of bounds rule and riding time, this event is not only one-of-a-kind, but the ideal event for college coaches to find their next wrestling superstar.

They represented the Grizzly Freestyle Wrestling Club coached by Head Coach Jerry Nadeau and assistants Mike Wenger, Todd Baughman and Mark Berg.

All seven won at least one match, while Wadsworth junior Kagan Squire went undefeated in all five matches winning the Flo National crown at 125 lbs., earning All-American honors. He beat Zane Richards a 2x State Champ from Illinois in the finals by decision 1-0. Squire was state runner-up in Ohio this past year for the Wadsworth Grizzlies at 125 with a record of 50-3.

Senior teammates Alfredo Gray and Clay Wenger also wrestled tremendously, while earning the prestigious All American status.

Gray accumulated 160 wins in a four-year varsity career, twiced placed at state and was one of the keys to the Grizzlies' state team title in 2010 and 2010-11 record 45-7 and finishing fifth at state at the 130lb weight class. Gray wrestled 125 in the Flo Nationals and wound up third. In his third-place match, he beat National prep champion Jeffrey Ott of Belmont Hill, Mass. 3-2. Gray followed with a fifth-place finish at the ASICS Fila Junior Nationals last weekend in the Greco style. In between, the Kent State Golden Flashes offered him a partial scholarship and he accepted.

Senior Clay Wenger a 2011 State Qualifier and a Golden Flash early signee won some outstanding matches, including beating 2011 Ohio's Div I 145lb. 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher Devan Range 7-2 in the wrestle backs to earn his All American status.

Others competing were Juniors Cody Gordon, Brandon Jones, Christian Baughman and CJ Edwards.

Also wrestling with Gray at the ASICS Fila Junior Nationals last weekend in Cleveland Public Hall was senior Sheldon Brandenburg who went 1-2 in the freestyle division. In addition, the Div I Cleveland State Vikings offered him a partial scholarship and he accepted.



All Americans: Lt to rt. Junior Kagan Squire (National Champion) Senior Alfredo Gray (3<sup>rd</sup> Place) Senior Clay Wenger (6<sup>th</sup> Place)