



## 2022 NAIA Women's Wrestling Invitational Coaches Information

### Arrival into Jamestown

Teams are not to arrive in Jamestown, N.D. more than **48 hours** prior to the start of the 2022 NAIA Women's Wrestling Invitational.

### 2022 National Invitational Qualifier Survey

All coaches must submit a qualifier survey through this link by Friday, March 4, 2022:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XTFV3WY>

### Team Check-In Procedures

All postseason rosters and entries will be confirmed electronically. Coaches will receive an electronic invoice and all entry fees and extra credentials must be paid by credit card.

### Official Party/Postseason Rosters

Official rosters are to be submitted online via the SIDHelp admin website ([www.naiasports.org/admin](http://www.naiasports.org/admin)). Each institution will be required to submit their official postseason roster through SIDHelp by 5 p.m. (CST) Wednesday, March 2, 2022. You **MUST** notify Lendsey Thomson ([lthomson@naia.org](mailto:lthomson@naia.org)) of any changes made to your postseason roster after 5 p.m. (CST) Wednesday, March 2, 2022. Official parties will be limited to your qualifying participants and up to 17 additional support staff. The official party must include any individual that is traveling with your institution to the invitational. This includes: athletic trainers, sports information directors, athletic directors and support staff **It is recommended that institutions only bring those deemed as essential as a part of the official party.**

### Credentials

Event credentials will be provided for all qualifying participants. Four additional credentials (Official Party) will be given per competing team. Teams can purchase an additional four Official Party credentials for support staff at \$30 each at registration. All additional official party credentials will be charged \$60. **No one** will be allowed on the arena floor without a credential. **Credentials must be worn at all times.**

Credentialed access will be strictly enforced:

- Mat Access: Only Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Qualifiers, and Athletic Trainers
- Warm-Up Area: Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Qualifiers, Athletic Trainers, and Official Party

All event credentials will be picked up at your hotel upon arrival in Jamestown, N.D.

**Lost credentials will not be replaced.**

## **Athletic Trainer and Media Credential Requests**

Athletic Trainers should be listed on the official postseason roster. Media members can request credentials through NAIA Athletic Communications.

## **Skin-Checks & Weigh-Ins**

Skin checks and weigh-ins will take place by institution rather than weight class. A schedule to determine skin checks and weigh-ins times will be released once all qualifiers have been determined.

## **2022 Invitational Schedule**

There are six (6) sessions scheduled for the 2022 Invitational. The sessions will be split to allow only five (5) weight class to compete at a time. Once the full field has been determined, the weight classes will be assigned to specific sessions based on the size of the brackets.

## **2022 NAIA Women's Wrestling Invitational Virtual Welcome**

A virtual event to welcome all student-athletes and teams will take place Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. A Zoom link will be sent to all coaches, coaches are expected to forward to all student-athletes to take part in the event. All teams will be recognized, this event will kick-off the 2022 Women's Wrestling Invitational.

## **Teaming Up for Character™**

The Annual Teaming Up for Character™ event has been cancelled due to COVID-19.

## **Virtual Coaches Meeting**

A virtual coaches meeting will take place Monday, March 7, 2022, from 5:00-6:00 p.m. This meeting is mandatory for all head coaches and will include information relative to the administration of the tournament. Coaches will be provided their coaches' packet prior to this meeting to review.

## **Van Rental**

If in need of vans for transportation in Jamestown, please contact Avis Rental at: 1 (800) 279-2886

## **Housing**

Sean Johnson ([sean.johnson@uj.edu](mailto:sean.johnson@uj.edu)) will serve as the housing coordinator for all participating teams. All teams must contact Sean Johnson to reserve rooms for the 2022 Women's Wrestling Invitational as soon as possible.

**Note the following: Single room occupancy is preferred to limit the spread of COVID-19; maximum occupancy is two individuals per room.**

**All teams must stay at the designated hotels to be eligible to compete in the invitational.**

## **Practice**

Practices will begin noon Wednesday, March 9. No teams will be allowed to practice onsite prior to Wednesday. All teams must reserve mat times in advance for practice by Friday, March 4, 2022. Practice times will be available starting Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Alyssa Schrull to schedule a time.

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## **Opening Ceremonies, Parade of Champions & Parade of All-Americans**

All in-person opening ceremonies and parades have been canceled for the 2022 NAIA Women's Wrestling National Invitational due to COVID-19.

## **National Anthem**

The National Anthem will be played prior to sessions I, III, V and VI during the Invitational.

The NAIA believes the playing of the national anthem provides student-athletes and fans an important and time-honored tradition to honor our country and recognize its principles. As an organization, the NAIA encourages everyone that attends our sporting events to stand when the anthem, is played.

The NAIA also understands that the freedom of speech – and the right to peaceful protest – are indisputable rights in the United States. Because the NAIA is made up of 250 diverse schools, the association believes it is in the best interest of the instructions to let them individually decide what actions are acceptable for their coaches and student-athletes.

## **OPC**

All NAIA wrestlers must be examined by a certified athletic trainer or other certified medical personnel to assess body composition and hydration prior to the registration of the Women's NAIA Invitational. Each school must provide an OPC weigh in sheet from track wrestling during registration of the event where weight classes will be confirmed eligible.

## **Officials Evaluations**

Coaches' evaluations of officials will take place through an online ballot through Survey Monkey after the completion of the 2022 NAIA Women's Wrestling Invitational. Each participating coach will receive a link to the online voting along with a roster of the 2022 Officials.

## **Ballots**

The voting for all invitational awards (Team Sportsmanship Award, NAIA Most Outstanding Wrestler of the 2022 National Invitational, NWCA-NAIA Outstanding Wrestler of the Year and NAIA Coach of the Year) will be done through Survey Monkey. All 2022 National Invitational participating coaches will receive a link to the online survey via email. The online ballot will be sent immediately following Session V on Saturday, March 12, 2022. The online ballot will close immediately following the last championship match.

## **Awards**

The awards ceremony for each weight class will occur after the conclusion of the subsequent match (example, the 109 lbs. awards ceremony will occur after the completion of the 116 lbs. match). The top eight finishers from each weight class will participate in the awards ceremony. All award winners must wear appropriate attire (warmups, no jeans allowed). Masks will be required to participate in all invitational awards ceremonies. Participate in all invitational awards ceremonies is optional this year due to COVID-19.