



2009 BIG 12 WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP

March 7, 2009 ♦ NU Coliseum ♦ Lincoln, Nebraska

GENERAL INFORMATION

Results: For official results visit Big12sports.com or www.huskers.com.

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TICKETS

All-Session (Reserved) \$20.00 (General Adm.) \$15.00
Single Session (Res.) \$12.00 (GA) \$8.00



FSN BROADCAST LIST

AFFILIATE	DATE	TIME (CT)
Arizona	3/14	3:30 p.m.
Detroit	3/11	11 a.m.
Houston	3/14	5 p.m.
Midwest*	3/7	7 p.m.
Midwest (repeat)	3/11	11 a.m.
Midwest (St. Louis)	3/16	1 p.m.
North	3/14	1 p.m.
Pittsburgh	3/12	11 a.m.
Rocky Mountain	3/11	1 p.m.
South	3/11	11 a.m.
Southwest*	3/7	7 p.m.
Southwest (repeat)	3/15	5:30 p.m.
West	3/11	2 p.m.
Wisconsin	3/18	1 p.m.
Comcast Chicago*	3/7	7 p.m.

*FSN will air the finals Live

BIG 12 NOTES

The 2009 Big 12 Wrestling Championship will be held on Saturday, March 7, at the NU Coliseum in Lincoln, Neb. Doors open at 10 a.m. CT, with the first round beginning at 11 a.m. All five nationally ranked league squads will be in action for the 13th annual event.

For the second straight year, the Championship will be available to watch live for wrestling fans on Big12sports.com. The preliminary round matches of the event will be shown utilizing the help of NU's HuskerVision, with the finals broadcast live in selected markets courtesy of FSN. Networks scheduled to stream the finals on Saturday at 7 p.m. are FSN Midwest, FSN Southwest (OKC) and Comcast Chicago.

No. 3 Iowa State leads the conference nationally, followed by No. 4 Nebraska, No. 5 Missouri, No. 12 Oklahoma State and No. 13 Oklahoma. ISU is the two-time defending champion heading into the event, while the Cowboys lead the league having won eight team titles to date. Both host Nebraska and Missouri are bidding for their first Big 12 crowns, while the Sooners will be competing for their third.

The Big 12 has 33 wrestlers currently ranked nationally through all nine weight classes, including 20 in the top 10 and nine in the top five. The conference also has the two top-ranked grapplers overall in Iowa State's Jake Varner (197) and David Zabriskie (HWT). A total of nine wrestlers from last season's championship return this year to defend their place atop the podium.

Located in the heart of campus next to Memorial Stadium, the NU Coliseum is one of the nation's top venues for college wrestling. The Coliseum was home to the National Duals from 1993 to 1997, and will be the host site for this year's league Championship for the first time. The venue can seat 4,030 fans.

OUTSTANDING WRESTLER

An Outstanding Wrestler will be selected by a vote of the head coaches at the conclusion of the championship matches. Coaches will vote for three wrestlers, in rank order, awarding points on a 3-2-1 basis.

TEAM SCORING

Points will be awarded as follows:

First place	10 points
Second place	7 points
Third place	4 points
Fourth place	2 points

For weight classes in which there first round byes, advancement points shall not be counted toward team scoring for that round of that particular weight class. Points scored in challenge matches will be included in team scoring.

NCAA QUALIFYING PROCEDURES

The conference received a total of 37 automatic qualifier allocations for the 2009 NCAA Wrestling Championships in St. Louis, Mo. The breakdown by weight class is as follows: 125 (3); 133 (3); 141 (3); 149 (2); 157 (4); 165 (5); 174 (3); 184 (4); 197 (5); and 285 (5). On March 11, within the guidelines of the new qualifying system, the league can potentially increase its number when the NCAA announces its 52 at-large qualifiers.

For more information on the new NCAA qualifying procedure, visit NCAA.org or the wrestling championship page at Big12sports.com.

2008-09 WRESTLERS OF THE WEEK/MONTH

November:	Jordan Burroughs, Nebraska, Jr., 157
December 8:	Jordan Burroughs, Nebraska, Jr., 157
December 15	Nathan Fernandez, Oklahoma, So., HWT
December 22:	Jared Rosholt, Oklahoma State, Jr., HWT
January 5:	Mark Ellis, Missouri, Jr., HWT
January 12:	Tucker Lane, Nebraska, Fr., HWT
	Jake Varner, Iowa State, Jr., 197
January 19:	Joey Fio, Oklahoma, So., 125
January 26:	David Zabriskie, Iowa State, Jr., HWT
February 2:	Raymond Jordan, Missouri, Sr., 174
February 9:	Jon Reader, Iowa State, So., 165
February 16:	David Zabriskie, Iowa State, Jr., HWT



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NATIONAL TEAM RANKINGS

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1. Iowa
2. Cornell
3. **IOWA STATE**
4. **NEBRASKA**
5. Ohio State
6. **MISSOURI**
7. Lehigh
8. Boise State
9. Illinois
10. Central Michigan
11. **OKLAHOMA STATE**
12. Michigan
13. **OKLAHOMA**
14. Wisconsin
15. Minnesota
16. Edinboro
17. Old Dominion
18. Kent State
19. Indiana
20. Virginia Tech
21. Northwestern
22. Hofstra
23. Penn
24. Northern Iowa
25. Penn State

NWCA/Intermat

Updated: 03/03/09

1. Iowa (11)
2. Cornell
3. **IOWA STATE**
4. **NEBRASKA**
5. **MISSOURI**
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7. Lehigh
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21. Northern Iowa
22. Indiana
23. Hofstra
24. Penn
25. Purdue

INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL RANKINGS

Rankings in following order: W.I.N. - NWCA/Intermat

125 POUNDS

Tyler Clark, Iowa State	(6/8)
Joey Fio, Oklahoma	(9/7)
Obe Blanc, Oklahoma State	(13/15)

133 POUNDS

Nick Fanthorpe, Iowa State	(8/7)
Chris Notte, Oklahoma State	(13/13)

141 POUNDS

Nick Gallick, Iowa State	(5/5)
Marcus Hoehn, Missouri	(14/9)
Jamal Parks, Oklahoma State	(16/15)

149 POUNDS

Kyle Terry, Oklahoma	(9/6)
Mitch Mueller, Iowa State	(20/19)

157 POUNDS

Jordan Burroughs, Nebraska	(1/3)
Michael Chandler, Missouri	(7/6)
Cyler Sanderson, Iowa State	(8/8)
Neil Erisman, Oklahoma State	(14/10)
Chad Terry, Oklahoma	(19/15)

165 POUNDS

Nick Marable, Missouri	(5/6)
Jon Reader, Iowa State	(6/7)
Steven Dwyer, Nebraska	(7/8)
Brandon Mason, Oklahoma State	(8/9)

174 POUNDS

Brandon Browne, Nebraska	(4/3)
Raymond Jordan, Missouri	(6/5)
Newly McSpadden, Oklahoma State	(13/13)
Jeff James, Oklahoma	(14/10)
Duke Burk, Iowa State	(16/17)

184 POUNDS

Vince Jones, Nebraska	(11/11)
Jerome Ward, Iowa State	(17/18)
Dorian Henderson, Missouri	(18/20)
Pat Flynn, Oklahoma	(19/19)

197 POUNDS

Jake Varner, Iowa State	(1/1)
Max Askren, Missouri	(3/4)
Clayton Foster, Oklahoma State	(4/8)
Craig Brester, Nebraska	(5/2)
Eric Lapotsky, Oklahoma	(9/11)

HWT

Dave Zabriskie, Iowa State	(1/1)
Mark Ellis, Missouri	(2/2)
Jared Rosholt, Oklahoma State	(3/3)
Tucker Lane, Nebraska	(18/15)
Nathan Fernandez, Oklahoma	(19/16)