

## AHSAA State Wrestling Championships 2014 Coaches Information Sheet

- 1. Coaches/Qualified Wrestlers Entrance** – Von Braun Center Skate Lobby, located on the south side of the arena. This entrance is for state meet qualifiers, their coaches (2) per team, one manager per team, and one scorer per team (See Winter Book). All certified coaches that need to be credentialed must be listed with the section qualifiers as the information is sent to the State Tournament Director. All other coaches that need to be credentialed at the tournament will need to see Wanda Gilliland with the AHSAA to be approved. **AHSAA will allow wrestlers that were on the team at sectionals to be admitted free through the pass gate (they must sign in). They will not be allowed in through the Skate Lobby or be allowed on the floor during the tournament. Team members will be allowed to come down to the floor after the tournament is over if their team places for team pictures. The team members must report to the floor access by the head table**  
**Coaches meetings**
  - February 14<sup>th</sup> Class 6A -9:30 am
  - February 14<sup>th</sup> Classes 1A-4A and 5A- 2:30 pmMeeting will be held in the VIP Hospitality room, access is from the southeast end of the arena floor. The Coaches Hospitality room is located in the Von Braun Center at the southwest corner of the arena floor.
- 2. Entry Deadline** – email to: [jbone47@yahoo.com](mailto:jbone47@yahoo.com) and [Ralph.stone@huntsvilleal.gov](mailto:Ralph.stone@huntsvilleal.gov) , or fax to 256-427-6757 a list of the State qualifiers and certified coaches to the State Tournament director before 1:00 pm Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014.  
  
Deadline for scratching any qualifiers is 8:00 am Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> and the State Director must be notified. A state meet entry form is not required from each school with a qualifier and must not be faxed or mailed to the State Director.
- 3. Tournament Doctor** – We will have an official tournament doctor at weigh in to determine any skin issues. Coaches, please check your wrestlers prior to attending the State Championship. We know that everyone has worked extremely hard to get to the Championship and we don't want to disqualify anyone for this reason.
- 4. Pass Gate** – State meet **qualifiers** and their coaches, one manager per team and one scorer per team will be admitted through the entrance of the Skate Lobby. **All other Team members, AHSAA card holders, coaches, principals, superintendents and their spouses will be admitted upon presentation of proper professional cards honored by the AHSAA at a pass gate.** The Pass Gate will be adjacent to the general admission entrance. The closest parking will be in the City parking garage on Monroe Street or under the South Hall adjacent to the arena.
- 5. Access to the Floor** - Only coaches, qualified athletes, officials and properly credentialed personnel will be allowed on the arena floor. Coaches please keep

all wrestlers that are not scheduled to go to the mat off the floor. **Only wrestlers involved in a match, on deck or in the hole will be allowed on the floor. Wrestlers should remain in the seating area at all other times. This will help with congestion on the floor.**

6. **Cheerleaders** - A maximum of 12 cheerleaders (in uniform) will be admitted along with one sponsor. Cheerleaders need to enter through the Pass Gate in the arena lobby of the Von Braun Center.
  
7. **Coaches' Hospitality Room** – This room will be available for credentialed coaches only. Scorers, managers, trainers and athletes are not allowed in the Coaches' hospitality area. The Coaches' Hospitality Room is located in the southwest corner of the arena floor. Coaches' Tournament credentials (provided at the coaches meeting) must be worn for entrance to the hospitality area. **No food or drink is permitted outside of the hospitality room. No food or coolers are allowed up in the stands per VBC regulations. NO EXCEPTIONS.** Please help us with this so that we can continue to have a hospitality room for you.
  
8. **Outside Food** – Coaches and qualifiers will be allowed to bring small food and drink items in the wrestling area only (downstairs). **All food and drink must be kept away from public areas. No food or coolers are allowed up in the stands per VBC regulations. Issues with security of team coolers are your responsibility. Taking a cooler in the seating area is not allowed under any circumstance.** The general public is not allowed to bring in food and drink. Exceptions are made for diaper bags.
  
9. **Parking – Team Bus/Van Parking** – All school busses will park in Lot K on Clinton Avenue, just west of the Coca-Cola Company at no cost. All school vans that are regular size may park in the City Garage on Monroe Street at no cost.

Busses and vans may unload athletes at the Skate Lobby entrance of the Von Braun Center prior to parking. Bus drivers must go to the Pass Gate in the Von Braun Center Arena entrance to be admitted at no charge.

All individuals (coaches, athletes, public) will be charged to park. Charges are \$5.00 per car with one return visit per day. **(We have included one set of parking passes for Friday and Saturday only, for the head coach. It is only good for the Monroe Street parking Garage. We do not control parking and we only have a limited number of passes so we apologize that some will have to pay.)**

10. **Public Parking** – The closest parking for the coaches and athletes will be in the Von Braun Center South Hall Parking garage for those that can enter at the Skate Lobby or the City Garage (entrance on Monroe Street). **The passes we supply the head coach are valid only in the City Garage on Monroe Street.** These parking locations are in close proximity to the Skate Lobby entrance. A charge of \$5.00 is charged for parking.