

February 22, 2022



Due Date: March 8, 2022

Upon direction of the Board of Directors, the New Mexico Activities Association is asking member schools **that participate in the sport of wrestling** to vote on the issue below. Please read through the entire referendum before selecting your response. Thank you for your participation in the governance of your organization and for your support of interscholastic activities.

Bylaw 7.24.1.F.4 – Wrestling: Boys' Weight Classes

This proposal would reduce the number of boys' wrestling weight classes beginning in 2022-2023 by one.

Current:	7.24.1.F.4 – E There will be				ses utiliz	ed for b	oys' wrestling:
	106 113	120 126	132 138	145 152	160 170	182 195	220 285
Proposed:		1.1.F.4 – Boys' Weight Classes re will be thirteen (13) weight classes utilized for boys' wrestling:					
	107 114	121 127	133 139	145 152	160 172	189 215	285

Rationale: NMAA member schools have consistently shown an inability to field full squads leading to a high rate of dual meet forfeits and limited entries in individual tournaments both of which are detrimental to the growth and promotion of wrestling. Data collected by the National Wrestling Coaches Association through the annual weight assessment process, shows New Mexico ranks near the top of the nation in number of dual meet forfeits. Additionally, less than 25% of all New Mexico schools were able to field full squads for the state qualifying tournament during the pre-pandemic 2019-2020 school year.



We Favor

We Do Not Favor

This box must be completed by all member schools.

Signature of Official Voter			
Signature of Superintendent/Head of School			
District/Classification			

Due date is March 8, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

This ballot, with both signatures affixed, must be received in the NMAA office by 4:00 p.m. Please fax completed referenda to Mindy Ioane at (505) 923-3114. **Please note that if either signature above is missing, the ballot will not be counted.** Contact Dusty Young (dusty@nmact.org) if you have any questions regarding this referendum.