



NMAA OFFICIAL BALLOT
 SENIOR HIGH REFERENDUM
 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 – Boys’ Weight Classes
 There will be fourteen (14) weight classes utilized for boys’ wrestling:

106	120	132	145	160	182	220
113	126	138	152	170	195	285

Proposed: 7.24.1.F.4 – Boys’ Weight Classes
 There will be thirteen (13) weight classes utilized for boys’ wrestling:

107	121	133	145	160	189	285
114	127	139	152	172	215	

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.

24 Favor
15 Do Not Favor

This box must be completed by all member schools.

_____ Print Name of Official Voter	_____ Signature of Official Voter
_____ Print Name of Superintendent/Head of School	_____ Signature of Superintendent/Head of School
_____ 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 loane 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.*