



# 2020 New Mexico National Guard State Wrestling Championships



## Piedra Vista takes Home 2020 Team Title

Piedra Vista hoisted the blue trophy for the first time since 2015, earning the school's 6th overall wrestling title with a team score of 180. Carlsbad earned second-place with 170.5 points, followed by Rio Rancho, who finished third with 163.5 points.

The Storm, Las Cruces and Farmington saw two wrestlers atop the medal stand during the final round of the 2020 New Mexico National Guard State Wrestling Championships.

Estevan Encinias (Cleveland) defeated Jonathan Garcia (Volcano Vista) in the 106-pound weight class, 11-2, as Tristan Mascarenas (Cleveland) beat Joshua Robinson (Sandia) at 113. Mascarenas won his third individual state title with the victory.

Avery Atma (Las Cruces) captured the title at 120 pounds over Tye Barker (Centennial), 4-2. Tim Lopez (Rio Rancho) defeated Taeoma Frank (Farmington), 4-0, at 126-pounds. This was Lopez' second state individual title.

Ezekiel Bejar (Piedra Vista) earned his first state title with a 3-1 win over Miguel Padilla (Santa Fe) in the 132-pound match. At 138, Miguel Padilla (Santa Fe) defeated Emilio Cordova (Atrisco Heritage), 15-6.

In the 145-pound weight class, David Graves (Las Cruces) took home his first individual title, 8-5 over Johnny Herrera (Volcano Vista). At 152 pounds, Carlsbad's Mason Box capped off a stellar 2020 campaign beating Manuel Robles (Volcano Vista), 3-2. It was his second straight title at 150 pounds. Jesse Daniel Perez (Deming) capped off an undefeated season at 40-0 defeated Justin Wood (Carlsbad) to take home the 160-pound title in 2020, 16-8.

At 170 pounds, Cirrail Allison (Farmington) beat Xavier Salazar (Rio Rancho), 4-2, also finishing the season undefeated at 44-0. Teammate Zackary Small (Farmington) captured the 182-pound championship, by pinning Trystan Rogers (Carlsbad), ending the year at 50-0. At 195, Diego Pavia (Volcano Vista) handled Gabe Garcia (Cleveland) with a 6-1 decision.

Jacob Telles (Sandia) captured his first title with a 5-0 win Eduardo Enriquez (Atrisco Heritage) in the 220-pound title match. In the heavyweight division, Ernest Martinez (Atrisco Heritage) beat Nathan Ellis (El-dorado) and was crowned the 2020 champion.



## Aztec Earns 2020 Blue Trophy

Aztec High School remained on top of the wrestling world after claiming their third straight New Mexico National Guard Wrestling State Championship. The Tigers finished the 2020 state meet with 246.5 points, cruising to the title. Los Lunas was second with 215 and Silver finished third with 180.

The Tigers sent six wrestlers to the finals and finished with six individual state champions. Bryson Valdez won the 106-pound weight class beating Devin Atencio (Espanola Valley) with a fall at the 3:16 mark. Valdez wrapped up his eighth grade year undefeated at 39-0. Aztec's Garrett Birzer also claimed victory in the 138-pound bracket. He took a decision over Landon Sandoval (Silver), 6-3. Aztec's Bode Wooley took home the 145-pound championship with a 10-2 major decision over Mason Alley (ABQ Academy).

Other Aztec winners included Zane Chapman at 152 pounds over Miguel Andrade (Los Lunas), 7-6, as Malcolm Altisi beat Sebastian Martin (ABQ Academy), 3-2, at 160 pounds. Caleb Varzeas was the final Tiger to have his hand raised on the night as he defeated Ian Thomas (Kirtland Central) by fall at 3:53 in the 220 division.

The 4A classification was one wrestler earn his third straight individual title, as Michael Aguirre of Silver dominated Alfredo Castillo (Belen), 17-2 at 182 pounds. Aguirre won it all in 2018 and 2019 as well.

Los Lunas captured two individual titles on the night as Jonathan Gurule beat Adan Benavidez (Bloomfield), 6-2 at 113-pounds, and Santiago Salas handled Bristan Lockett (Silver), 8-6, at 195-pounds.

At 120-pounds, Matthew Sanchez (St. Pius) won a 9-6 decision over Brendon Olsen (Silver) and Drake Guerrero (Miyamura) took the 126 pound title over Abran Lujan (Valley) by pin at the 4:40 mark of the match.

Dylan Gonzales (Belen) pinned Damian Gonzales (Los Alamos) at the 4:27 mark to win the 132-pound title, as Luis Teran (Bernalillo) narrowly defeated Anthony Ward (Miyamura), 14-13, in the 17-pound match. Coleton Radford (Del Norte) handled Nicholas Sanders (Moriarty) in the heavy weight division to claim the 2020 individual title.



## Cobre Indians Win Second Straight A/3A State Title

Cobre hoisted the blue trophy overhead at the 2020 New Mexico National Guard State Wrestling Championships, as the Indians led the championships from start to finish. The Cobre tallied 215 points for the championships, followed by Robertson (176.5) and West Las Vegas (131). Cobre won seven individual titles, while Robertson took home three.

Robertson's Andrew Trujillo became a 4-time individual champion with a pin at the 3:12 mark over Sean McNeil (Socorro) winning the 145-weight class. Cobre's Alex Holguin won his third straight title by pinning Jonathan Chavez (West Las Vegas) at the 1:11 mark in the 152-pound match.

In the 106-pound finals, Gavin Placencio (Cobre) beat Romulus Padilla (West Las Vegas) by decision, 3-2. Isaiah Marquez (Cobre) won the 113-pound division for the second straight year by pin over Jarrod Baca (West Las Vegas).

Nikolas Trujillo (Cobre) took the 120-pound title in 2020, by pin over Kaleb Medina (Robertson). Esteban Molina (Cobre) defeated Joel Partridge, III (Socorro) to win the 126-pound title by an 8-6 margin.

At 132 pounds, Ishya Delatorre (Cobre) defeated Joe Peterson (Foothill) by a pin at the 3:55 mark. Andres Grano (Robertson) capped off a solid season by beating Andres Grano (Robertson), 3-2, in the 138-pound finals. Arthur Quintana (Cobre) captured the year with an individual title at 160-pounds, beating Orion Rottman (Socorro), 3-1.

Jaden Mifsud (St. Michael's) defeated Javier Cordova (West Las Vegas) in the 170-pound match, by pin, finishing the season at 24-1 overall. Mackenzie Ebell (Robertson) handled Nicolas Gonzales (Socorro), pinning him in 1:50, to win the 182-pound title

Derik Ortiz (Pecos) defeated Aiden Quintana (Cobre) by pin in the 195-pound match, while Ian Jordison (Socorro) beat Leon Vigil (Cobre), 3-1, in the 220-pound finals, finishing off his 2020 campaign at 37-2. Santiago Martinez (St. Michael's) would defeat Santiago Maness (Tierra Encantada) to capture the heavyweight division, finishing 26-2 on the year.





## Miyamura Wins First-Ever Girls State Wrestling Title

For the first time in New Mexico high school wrestling history, the New Mexico Activities Association recognized a team champion in girls' wrestling at the 2020 New Mexico National Guard State Wrestling Championships. Miyamura was crowned the first-ever state champion, earning the school's first blue trophy. The Patriots tallied 88 points, followed by Atrisco Heritage Academy and Aztec with 66.

The championship was a huge success, as 80 girls competed in 10 separate brackets. Dozens of girls competed on the biggest stage for a high school wrestler.

The State's first-ever state champion was Angelita Altamirano (Ocate) as she pinned Lorianna Piastewa (Miyamura) at the 3:46 mark in the 100-pound division and becoming the first girls' individual champion. Santii Santiago (Atrisco Heritage) won by decision at 106 pounds, beating Naomi Molina (Albuquerque).

Desirae Archuleta (Atrisco Heritage) finished the year with a perfect 25-0 record after pinning Melayna Patton (Wingate) in the 113-pound finals. Mia Aguirre (Aztec) won the 120-pound individual champion by defeating Yalixa Gonzalez (Atrisco Heritage) by pin at the 5:58 mark of the match.

Makayla Munoz (Aztec) was undefeated on the season at 29-0, following a pin of Amanda Smith (Cleveland) in the 126 finals, as Yele Aycock (Miyamura) defeated Sharon Minnix (Ruidoso), 6-2, to also finish the year undefeated at 32-0. Selvi Gallegos (Sandia) won a 5-4 decision at 145 pounds over Aylin Mijares (Bernalillo) to claim the individual title.

Princess Altisi (Aztec) battled Nancy Rodriguez (Miyamura) to a 5-2 decision in the 160 finals, while Tristian Martinez (Grants) pinned Shandiin Largo (Miyamura) to win the 182-pound title. Jojera Dodge (Kirtland Central) wrapped up the State Championship for the girls with a pin of Annalease Barraza (Albuquerque) at the 4:48 mark of the 220-pound title match.

