Exhibition Matches

At the most recent PIAA Wrestling Steering Committee in April 2018, discussion was held regarding the concern that exhibition matches are being contested either before or after varsity competition without utilizing adopted NFHS rules. Plainly stated, exhibition matches cannot occur outside of defined competition standards for the safety of your athletes.

If there is interest in providing for additional opportunities for wrestling, junior varsity competition may occur either before or after the varsity competition. However, such competition must take place under NFHS Wrestling Rules, requiring matches wrestled at weight classes both athletes are eligible, and conducted by a PIAA-registered wrestling official, and recording a score. Matching up wrestlers without a weigh-in or wrestling contests without the supervision of an official cannot occur.

For additional information on creating junior varsity competition for your athletes, please contact your District Wrestling Chairman or Mark E. Byers at the PIAA Office at 717-697-0374 or mbyers@piaa.org.