

2022 Dual Team Wrestling Seeding Process

1. Bracket Sizes

- a. Wrestling
 - i. 32-team brackets

2. Playoff Berths/Qualification

- a. Each conference will be allotted automatic playoff berths based on the number of schools fielding a team in a particular sport in a given classification.
 - i. 1 Berth (Conference Champion)
 - ii. 2 Berths (Conference Champion and Second Place or Conference Tournament Champion)
- b. The highest finishing team from a given classification in a split conference will automatically qualify, regardless of overall conference finish, provided there are at least two schools from each classification in that split conference.
- c. Any remaining, non-automatic qualifying teams in each region (East/West) will fill the remaining berths based solely upon their RankWrestlers ranking.
 - i. "Leapfrog" Provision
 - 1. Although teams with higher RankWrestlers ranking will still be seeded higher, they may not qualify before a team that finished ahead of them in their conference standings.

3. Seeding

- a. The pre-determined East and West Regions will be seeded independently of one another.
- b. The teams in each region will be seeded as follows:
 - i. Seed all 1st place automatic berths by RankWrestlers ranking.
 - 1. NOTE: The highest finishing team in its half of a split conference must finish in 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place overall and/or have an overall winning percentage of .500 or higher in order to be seeded as a #1. Otherwise, the team will be seeded with all other at-large teams.
 - ii. Seed all 2nd place automatic berths or conference tournament champions and at-large berths by RankWrestlers ranking.
 - iii. Once seeding is complete:
 - 1. Existing byes will be awarded to the highest seeds possible.
 - 2. The higher seed is the home team unless otherwise determined by the NCHSAA.