

2014 Boro Fan Almanac



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Introduction

Fans & Readers:

Thank you for coming back another year and reading what is officially the Fourth Annual Boro Fan Almanac. It goes without saying, but this is served as a prediction report. As you may or may not know, I release weekly rankings on my website, borofanhio.net, and have been doing so for the past two seasons. The first year I put this together it only covered Division 3, but the past two years I have moved to both Division 1 and Division 2 as well. In 2011, I released rankings for the Top 40+ in Division 3, but did no dialogue; the statistics from that year are also shown below. When reading the report, please remember that I have not seen every result. Also, when reading the report, keep in mind that head-to-head results do count, but the overall rankings are amongst “the field” and not focused on one particular head-to-head loss. I hope that you guys enjoy reading this as much as I do in putting it together. Thank you for the continuous support and attention that you guys show for The Almanac and website year in and year out, it means a lot. I would also like to give a special thanks to my good friend and editor, Dominic Petrella. It seems as though we are getting ready to witness another great postseason in OHSAA Wrestling. Hope everyone enjoys!

Yours in Wrestling,

Boro Fan

Statistics

Projected State Placers (Ranked Top 8 and Finished Top 8)

2013:

D1: $68/112 = 60.7\%$

D2: $74/112 = 66.07\%$

D3: $72/112 = 64.2\%$

Overall: $214/336 = 63.69\%$

2012:

D3: $70/112 = 62.5\%$

2011:

D3: $73/112 = 65.17\%$

Projected Finalists (Ranked Top 2 and Made the State Finals)

2013:

D1: $19/28 = 67.85\%$

D2: $14/28 = 50\%$

D3: $17/28 = 60.71\%$

Overall: $50/84 = 59.52\%$

2012:

D3: $14/28 = 50\%$

2011:

D3: $16/28 = 57.14\%$

Projected State Champs

2013:

D1: $11/14 = 78.57\%$

D2: $8/14 = 57.14\%$

D3: $9/14 = 64.28\%$

Overall: $28/42 = 66.66\%$

2012:

D3: $8/14 = 57.14\%$

2011:

D3: $11/14 = 78.57\%$

Division 1

Cleveland State - CSU	Mentor - ME
Hilliard Darby - HD	Kettering Fairmont - KF

106-

Projected Champ: Noah Baughman (Wadsworth) Sophomore – CSU1

2. Allan Hart (St. Edward) Freshman – CSU2
3. Thomas Genetin (Massillon Perry) Senior – ME1
4. Anthony Jagel (Middletown) Junior – KF1
5. Devione Edwards (Lorain) Sophomore – CSU3
6. Jarrod Brezovec (Aurora) Freshman – ME2
7. Jarod Bronstrup (Brecksville) Sophomore – CSU4
8. Zac Donathan (Mason) Freshman – KF2
9. Daniel Roth (Lakota East) Junior – KF3
10. Jackson Lakso (Central Crossing) Sophomore – HD1
11. Harry Feuer (Mayfield) Sophomore – ME3
12. Eric Beck (LaSalle) Freshman – KF4
13. Nick Henneman (Oregon Clay) Freshman – CSU5
14. Trent Gill (Hilliard Davidson) Junior – HD2
15. Khyron Vidales (Perrysburg) Sophomore – CSU6
16. Justin McNeely/DJ Skiba (Brunswick) Sophomore – CSU7
17. Dalton Eagle (Ashland) Junior – CSU8
18. Seth Transue (Dublin Jerome) Sophomore – HD3
19. CJ Campbell (Hilliard Bradley) Junior – HD4
20. Coleton Chase (Lancaster) Sophomore – HD5
21. Brakan Mead (Olentangy Liberty) Freshman – HD6
22. Tanmay Shah (Copley) Senior – CSU9
23. Drew Fairbanks (Austintown-Fitch) Freshman – ME4
24. Noah Wasker (North Canton Hoover) Sophomore – ME5
25. Ben Tate (Mount Vernon) Freshman – HD7
26. Noah Georgian (Kenston) Sophomore – ME6
27. Corbin Post (Madison) Junior – ME7
28. Luke Dimuzio (Twinsburg) Junior – ME8
29. Quade Rasmussen (St. Ignatius) Freshman – ME9
30. Chad Craft (Northmont) Freshman – KF5
31. Drew Saunier (Springboro) Freshman – KF6
32. Caleb Yates (Anthony Wayne) Freshman – CSU10
33. Chris Leffler (Holland Springfield) Freshman – CSU11
34. Austin Oberly (Worthington Kilbourne) Senior – HD8
35. AJ Warner (Fairborn) Freshman – KF7
36. Cam Duvall (Nordononia) Junior – CSU12
37. Alex Lieb (Watkins Memorial) Freshman – HD9

38. Joey Oswald (Uniontown Lake) Sophomore – ME10
39. Aaron Cintron (Normandy) Junior – ME11
40. Parker Brunkala (Mentor) Freshman – ME12

Noah Baughman seemed to be the clear favorite until last week when Hart took him to overtime, although Baughman did end up winning the match. Lambert (Strongsville) has the option to drop to this weight and could possibly be the favorite, but if I were to rank him, he would be second. Jagel and Genetin are next best here and split bouts at Top Gun. Jagel recently got injured and his participation at sectionals is unknown. Devione Edwards most likely will be on the opposite side of Baughman at State, so he could be a finalist.

Baughman is obviously the favorite at Cleveland State, which is a very deep weight. Hart comes in as second best. If Hart and Baughman meet at districts, it will be their fourth meeting this season. Edwards and Bronstrup round out my projected state qualifiers, as they seem to be slightly above the rest. The next top contender is Henneman. He is undersized at 106 after wrestling 84 last year in Junior High, but has been getting better every week as I think he is starting to grow into 106. Vidales had a breakout tournament at Brecksville, which put him on the state radar. He almost didn't crack the lineup until Moises Guillen ended up going 120 instead of 106. McNeely and Skiba have split time for Brunswick so I'm not sure on the starter, but McNeely has seen more time.

Genetin looks to be the favorite at Mentor, while also being one of the one of only two seniors ranked at 106. Brezovec is next best here, a very tough freshman and very tough to score on. Feuer is a returnee to 106 and has been having much more success this year. He beat returning D2 state qualifier Dante Ginnetti at Kenston, 10-3. Fairbanks and Wasker are my contenders for the 4th spot, but I see it up for grabs amongst any of the top 9 ranked here. Fairbanks is a big 106 after eventually making the drop from 113. I think Oswald is a possible sleeper here.

Hilliard Darby looks to be the most wide open district at this weight. Gill has been the top ranked kid here all season, but has recently lost to Lakso, Tate and Mead. Gill does hold a head-to-head win against Roth though. Lakso is my pick to win the district but it is wide open, I show Lakso and Gill splitting matches this year, with Lakso winning the most recent bout. I think any of the top 8 can qualify for Columbus. Mead is sort of like Henneman, getting better every week as he grows into the weight.

Jagel is the favorite out of the Fairmont district, but recently suffered an injury last week against Donathan. I believe Donathan was leading late in the 3rd before the injury, so this district looks to be wide open. Donathan and Roth have split bouts this year with Donathan winning the more recent one this past weekend. I see Beck as the fourth best here and by a pretty big margin in the rankings. Craft is the next best after Beck and holds recent wins over the other two ranked in the district, Saunier and Warner. Saunier holds a head-to-head win over Mead early in the year. Gage Branson, who is ranked at 113, has the option to go 106. I would put him in the 8-10 range.

113-

- Projected Champ: Jose Rodriguez (Massillon Perry) Junior – ME1
2. Hayden Lee (Marysville) Senior – HD1

3. LJ Bentley (St. Edward) Junior – CSU1
4. Mario Guillen (Perrysburg) Sophomore – CSU2
5. Shakur Laney (Groveport-Madison) Junior – HD2
6. Garrett Lambert (Strongsville) Sophomore – CSU3
7. Jake Donahue (Massillon Washington) Sophomore – ME2
8. Patrick Kearney (Mason) Junior – KF1
9. Daniel Clement (Solon) Senior – ME3
10. Ethan Rivera (Brunswick) Freshman – CSU4
11. Luke Nace (Teays Valley) Senior – HD3
12. Gage Branson (Glen Este) Junior – KF2
13. Chris Doyle (Green) Senior – ME4
14. Andrew Coghill (Nardon) Senior – CSU5
15. James Wimer (Central Crossing) Sophomore – HD4
16. Troy Barklay (Centerville) Senior – KF3
17. Andre Herron (North Royalton) Senior – ME5
18. Josh Transue (Dublin Jerome) Senior – HD5
19. Kris Volpe (Olentangy Liberty) Sophomore – HD6
20. Josh Whitelaw (Aurora) Junior – ME6
21. Ryan Boulton (Springboro) Junior – KF4
22. Austin Victor (Mentor) Sophomore – ME7
23. Brandon Gandolf (Medina) Sophomore – CSU6
24. Andre Lowery (Shaker Hts.) Junior – ME8
25. Kyle Jenkins (Stow) Sophomore – ME9
26. Connor Burns (North Canton Hoover) Sophomore – ME10
27. Brandon Randolph (Wadsworth) Freshman – CSU7
28. Sam Roth (Lakota East) Sophomore – KF5
29. Max Wright (Deleware Hayes) Freshman – HD7
30. Shane McLaughlin (Eastlake North) Senior – ME11
31. Nick Mayer (Avon Lake) Junior – CSU8
32. Trayvion Scott (Fremont Ross) Sophomore – CSU9
33. Brandon Bartlome (Lorain) Sophomore – CSU10
34. Blake Biteman (Tecumseh) Sophomore – KF6
35. Elijah Perkins (Miamisburg) Freshman – KF7
36. Hamza Abouabdalla (Normandy) Junior – ME12
37. Chase Craft (Northmont) Freshman – KF8
38. Jason Bronstrup (Brecksville) Freshman – CSU11
39. Brendan Gibson (Huber Hts. Wayne) Senior – KF9
40. Josh Nelly (Garfield Hts.) Sophomore – ME13

Jose Rodriguez is a returning state champ and my pick here, despite losing to Lee at Top Gun. I see this as a two-man race, as last year Rodriguez beat many of the same guys that are ranked. Rodriguez missed pretty much the first half of the season due to injury. Lee, transfer from Indiana, has done very well this year as he took 3rd at Brecksville, losing to Speiss, and won Top Gun over Rodriguez.

Bentley is the slight favorite at Cleveland State, despite failing to qualify last year. He lost on a

last second takedown to Guillen in the match-to-go. Bentley and Guillen will probably meet for the district title, bracket placement depending. Lambert could be here or at 106. I would suggest 106 for two reasons: he would be ranked 2nd at 106 and then Ray Porter would slide in at 113 for Strongsville. He could possibly be a state qualifier. Rivera is a very tough freshman and was a junior high state placer. Coghill is my first man out here and is the grandson of Ohio legend, Graham Coghill. Coghill is one of only a few seniors ranked at this weight. He failed to qualify for districts last year, but did exit the Medina Sectional, which is probably the toughest sectional in the state from top to bottom. A surprise name to watch here and that has recently got on my radar is Gandolf. He beat Lowery at Austintown-Fitch and wrestled fairly well at the NOC tournament. Randolph seems to be slightly above the rest, but changing weights could effect his performance. He is a normal 106, but with Baughman there he was forced to move up. If at 106 next year, watch out! Bartlome dropped to 113 during the middle of the year and it was a good decision looking at the depth at 120. I'm not sure who can drop from 120, maybe we see some more movement. Another thing worth noting, the wrestlers ranked 3rd-7th here in the district all exit medina, which means there will be a casualty beforehand at sectionals.

Rodriguez is obviously the favorite at Mentor. This district has a lot of depth, 11 in the top 30. Donahue, a state qualifier last year, looks to be a solid pick to qualify and possibly place this year in Columbus. Clement recently won the NOC with wins over Rivera (3-0), Herron (7-1) and Porter in the finals (14-6). He also beat Whitelaw earlier in the year 9-6, but Clement does have a "bad loss" to DeMarco (Hawken/D3). Doyle, a senior, has a few wins over Coghill this year and is a very solid 4th pick here. I can see all four of the qualifiers here as possible placers in Columbus, no matter who takes the four spots. Herron recently dropped to 113. At the time I thought it was a good move, but with the depth here, I think 120 would be a better option for him and any other 113 listed here. Victor is a possible sleeper here and has been wrestling well as of late. He recently beat Jenkins by major decision and Gandolf (1-0). Abouabdall beat Jenkins at the NOC tournament. He is a name to watch here. Another wrestler worth noting is Snow (Massillon Jackson), having recently beat Victor at Top Gun.

Hayden Lee is the favorite at Darby. This is a pretty deep weight here, 6 in the top 19. Laney, a returning state placer, got better as the season went on last year. He beat returning state qualifier, Nace, by major decision at Pickerington North. Wimer is my pick to get the last spot here, who has been wrestling very well as of late. I see Transue and Volpe as two kids who can get in the top four here. Volpe recently won Wadsworth with a pin in the finals over returning D2 state placer, Cory Simpson (Field). Another name worth noting besides those ranked above is Osborn (Mount Vernon).

Kearney is the clear favorite at Fairmont, with wins over the three projected qualifiers here. Fairmont is the weakest of the four district and also has no wrestler with state experience. Branson could be here or at 106. I see him as a higher placer at districts at 113, but only as a possible placer in Columbus at 106. I see the other two spots here as wide open. A possible sleeper is the senior, Gibson. Another name to watch here is Rutherford (Edgewood).

120-

Projected Champ: Austin Assad (Brecksville) Junior – CSU1

2. Corey Shie (LaSalle) Freshman – KF1

3. Alex Mackall (Walsh Jesuit) Sophomore – ME1
4. Jake Newhouse (Massillon Perry) Junior – ME2
5. Armando Torres (Elyria) Senior – CSU2
6. Josh Heil (Brunswick) Sophomore – CSU3
7. Jonathan Furnas (Olentangy Liberty) Junior – HD1
8. Connor Ziegler (Moeller) Junior – KF2
9. Antwon Pugh (Copley) Freshman – CSU4
10. Santino Disabato (Westerville North) Senior – HD2
11. Moises Guillen (Perrysburg) Freshman – CSU5
12. Jeremy Rezabek (Strongsville) Sophomore – CSU6
13. Mason Daugherty (St. Edward) Sophomore – CSU7
14. Andrew Henneman (Oregon Clay) Senior – CSU8
15. Brandon Tucker (Loveland) Junior – KF3
16. Christian Lough (Amherst Steele) Senior – CSU9
17. David Brunner (North Olmstead) Senior – CSU10
18. Andre Stowers (Maple Heights) Sophomore – ME3
19. Connor Gray (Wadsworth) Junior – CSU11
20. T.J. Bean (Edgewood) Senior – KF4
21. Cameron Lathem (Teays Valley) Sophomore – HD3
22. Mitch Hannan (Cuyahoga Falls) Junior – CSU12
23. Kenny Hoberney (Eastlake North) Junior – ME4
24. Alec Logsdon (Lebanon) Junior – KF5
25. Noah Schaub (Green) Junior – ME5
26. Slade Tyson (Tri-Valley) Senior – HD4
27. Sam Williams (Elder) Sophomore – KF6
28. Colin Del Valle (Kettering Fairmont) Senior – KF7
29. Dylan Sharp (Butler) Junior – KF8
30. Rob McGrath (Hilliard Bradley) Senior – HD5
31. Tanner Ruiz (Sylvania Southview) Senior – CSU13
32. Noah McCumbers (Massillon Washington) Sophomore – ME6
33. Marko Vilimonovic (Medina Highland) Junior – CSU14
34. Hunter DeShon (North Canton Hoover) Sophomore – ME7
35. Zack Klima (Avon Lake) Sophomore – CSU15
36. Greg Briggs (Cloverleaf) Sophomore – CSU16
37. Kyle Hennig (Mentor) Sophomore – ME8
38. Nathan Palmer (Miamisburg) Junior – KF9
39. Derek Sharp (Marysville) Freshman – HD6
40. Vince Schneider (Anthony Wayne) Senior – CSU17

Assad, a two-time state runner-up at 106, enters as the clear pick here while he is up two weight classes from last year. He has wins over Shie, Mackall, Torres, Heil and Pugh, but three of those have been by two points or less.

Cleveland State is by far the toughest district at this weight, having 11 in the top 19. Assad is the favorite here, but will be challenged by Torres and Heil. Pugh is my pick for the fourth spot. He did beat Torres at Bill Dies, but recently lost to Ferrise (SVSM/D2), which is considered a “bad

loss". I see Guillen, Rezabek, Daugherty and Henneman all as possibilities to get the fourth spot. A thing worth noting is that Assad, Heil, Rezabek, Pugh, Gray and Villimanovic all exit the Medina Sectional. I would suggest for some kids to possibly move to 126, as the top-end depth isn't as good compared to 120.

Mentor has two kids well above the rest of the district, Mackall and Newhouse. Mackall holds the head-to-head win, 2-1 at Top Gun. I see the other two spots as wide open. I like Stowers for the third spot and Hoberney, a returning state qualifier at 106, for the fourth spot. Schaub looks to be the best contender to crack the top four here. A few other names to watch are Langston (Solon), Louis (Garfield Hts.), Koslik (Austintown-Fitch), Novak (Aurora) and Whitehead (Massillon Jackson).

Furnas is the favorite at Darby. He recently beat Erdman (Ryle, KY) by major decision. Erdman has beaten Ziegler twice this year. DiSabato, a returning state placer, will challenge Furnas. Both seem to be well above the field. Lathem, Tyson and McGrath are next best here and I look for two of them to get the final two spots. Sharp is the only other ranked wrestler here in the district. A couple other names to watch here are Woods (Central Crossing) and Cooper (Upper Arlington).

Shie and Ziegler look well above the field at Fairmont. Shie has had the better year with wins over Mackall, Warner (Claymont/D2), and nearly tech failed Erdman. Tucker is a wildcard here. He has missed most of the season and I hear he can be here or at 126; I'd say 120 is the better option. Another name to watch here is Schoeffler (Lakota East).

126-

Projected Champ: David Bavery (Massillon Perry) Senior – ME1

2. Josh Wimer (Central Crossing) Senior – HD1
3. Giuseppe Penzone (Olentangy Liberty) Senior – HD2
4. Connor Borton (Moeller) Junior – KF1
5. Jarrod Lasko (Madison) Junior – ME2
6. Alec Benedetti (North Royalton) Senior – ME3
7. Josh Parrett (Kettering Fairmont) Senior – KF2
8. Jared Davis (Oregon Clay) Senior – CSU1
9. Zac Tupps (Ashland) Senior – CSU2
10. Nico O'Dor (Elyria) Sophomore – CSU3
11. Justin DeMicco (Brecksville) Sophomore – CSU4
12. Brett Thomas (Brunswick) Senior – CSU5
13. David Erdelac (Strongsville) Junior – CSU6
14. Alec Cotton (Uniontown Lake) Senior – ME4
15. Tyler Workman (Parma) Junior – ME5
16. Justin Joliff (Findlay) Junior – CSU7
17. Ryan Gordon (St. Xavier) Senior – KF3
18. Darrin Gilkerson (Wadsworth) Sophomore – CSU8
19. Nathan Burns (North Canton Hoover) Senior – ME6
20. Micah Shorts (Shaker Heights) Senior – ME7
21. Kyle Dooley (Teays Valley) Junior – HD3

22. Andrew Sams (LaSalle) Freshman – KF4
23. Isaac Collier (St. Edward) Sophomore – CSU9
24. Steve Guzsik (Chardon) Junior – ME8
25. Mark Molder (Mentor) Junior – ME9
26. Greg Brusco (Deleware Hayes) Sophomore – HD4
27. Brock Jones (Perrysburg) Sophomore – CSU10
28. Deante Evans (Lakota East) Junior – KF5
29. Quinn May (Lebanon) Junior – KF6
30. Brandon Smith (Glen Este) Sophomore – KF7
31. Cameron Crasto (Centerville) Senior – KF8
32. Bailey Mezinger (Fremont Ross) Senior – CSU11
33. Tyler Hogue (Pickerington Central) Senior – HD5
34. Zach Garrett (Hilliard Darby) Junior – HD6
35. Xavier Edwards (Lorain) Junior – CSU12
36. Michael Hines (Olentangy Orange) Senior – HD7
37. Sam Meddings (Fairfield) Freshman – KF9
38. Salaman Isakov (Sycamore) Sophomore – KF10
39. Colin Schuster (Mason) Freshman – KF11
40. Joey Andrassy (Stow) Freshman – ME10

Bavery is the pick here. He was 8th at Ironman and beat nationally ranked Kolodzik (9-8) in a dual meet. Bavery was a state champ two years ago at 106. I see Wimer as Bavery's best challenger here. Wimer was a qualifier last year but did not compete at state.

This is one of the weaker weights at Cleveland State and could possibly have no placers in Columbus, but I bet there is at least one. I lean heavy on four of the top six to get the four spots here. Davis, Tupps and DeMicco all have state experience. Tupps was a state placer last year in D3. O'Dor, DeMicco, Thomas, Erdalec and Gilkerson all exit Medina, so we will see a casualty there. A couple other names to watch here are Farrar (St. John's Jesuit) and Defraime (Medina). Defraime recently beat Molder at the NOC tournament.

Bavery exits Mentor as the top dog. A very tough weight class here, with 5 in the top 15 and 7 in the top 20. Due to how jumbled up Cleveland State is, I can see all four qualifiers here as possible placers in Columbus. Molder has a huge win over Brusco by tech fall at Top Gun, but recently got majored by Defraime. Another name to watch here is Nemeckay (Solon).

Wimer and Penzone exit Darby as clearly the top two. I see the last two spots as sort of wide open. Dooley has missed some time and Brusco has struggled this year when in the lineup, but both do have state experience. Brusco was a state placer at 113 last year, coming out of nowhere. Hogue, Garrett, and Hines all could crack the top four.

Borton is my pick to win Fairmont. Parrett would have been the favorite back in November, but has missed some time and has lost to Broyles and Crasto. He did avenge that loss to Crasto a few weeks later though. Broyles could be here or at 132 from what I hear. Gordon and Sams are my picks to round out the top four. Two other names to watch here are Johnson (Stebbins) and Palmer (Miamisburg).

132-

Projected Champ: Bobby Smith (Hilliard Davidson) Senior – HD1

2. Nick Boggs (Painesville Riverside) Senior – ME1
3. Nolan Whitely (Walsh Jesuit) Senior – ME2
4. Austin Hiles (Brecksville) Sophomore – CSU1
5. Richie Screptock (Oregon Clay) Junior – CSU2
6. Hunter Ladiner (St. Edward) Sophomore – CSU3
7. Jacoby Ward (Moeller) Sophomore – KF1
8. Brandon Selmon (Princeton) Senior – KF2
9. Nick Kiussis (Brunswick) Freshman – CSU4
10. John Shirkey (LaSalle) Junior – KF3
11. Chris Wymer (Solon) Senior – ME3
12. Jason Spencer (Massillon Perry) Junior – ME4
13. Michael Nagy (Uniontown Lake) Junior – ME5
14. Justyn Bostic (Massillon Jackson) Junior – ME6
15. Chris Motter (Hudson) Sophomore – ME7
16. Chayse Csongedi (Parma) Senior – ME8
17. Jared Ferguson (Pickerington North) Senior – HD2
19. Max Kuchenrither (Avon) Junior – CSU5
20. Joey Bernosky (Avon Lake) Sophomore – CSU6
21. Maverick Meeks (New Philadelphia) Senior – ME9
22. Gavin McKenney (Central Crossing) Senior – HD3
23. Antonio Mitchell (Willoughby South) Junior – ME10
24. Nick Durieux (Westerville North) Senior – HD4
25. Nick Broyles (Northmont) Senior – KF4
25. Trey Grenier (Olentangy Liberty) Freshman – HD5
26. Ryley Regan (Miamisburg) Sophomore – KF5
27. Matteo Lybarger (Mount Vernon) Junior – HD6
28. Kyle Ramsey (Lebanon) Senior – KF6
29. Caleb Walden (Mason) Junior – KF7
30. Caleb Jarrell (Kettering Fairmont) Junior – KF8
31. Jesse Orantek/Brendan Price (Elyria) – CSU7
32. Andrew Lieb (Watkins Memorial) Junior – HD7
33. Travis Lucius (Canton McKinley) Junior – ME11
34. Mike Connick (Chardon) Junior – ME12
35. Josh Herhold (Perrysburg) Freshman – CSU8
36. John Vuotto (Sycamore) Senior – KF9
37. Dylan Roth (Oak Hills) Sophomore – KF10
38. Mitch Case (Springboro) Senior – KF11
39. Christian Sanchez (Findlay) Sophomore – CSU9
40. Jake Evanich (North Canton Hoover) Senior – ME13

Smith, a returning state runner-up and three-time state qualifier, is my pick here at a very wide open weight. I can see anyone in the top seven win it in Columbus. Boggs recently dropped to 132 and beat Whitely on his way to a Top Gun title.

Cleveland State is once again the toughest district at this weight, or at least top-heavy with 4 in the top 9. I lean on those four to get the four spots, unless the brackets don't allow it. I look for Hiles, Screenshot or Ladiner to win the district. Winner of the district will be on opposite sides of the other two if they all finish top three, which could be big. Abdel-Salem (Lakewood) could be here or at 138. He has the option to cut and I hear he will, but 138 looks much weaker at CSU. Another name to watch here is Grine (Fremont Ross).

Boggs exits as the favorite at Mentor, a very tough district weight with 8 in the top 16. I see Boggs and Whitely on their own tier here and should solidify the top two spots. I can see anyone I ranked 3rd-10th in the district as possible qualifiers. A couple other names to watch at this already loaded weight are Williams (Bedford) and Ryan (Normandy).

Smith is the clear favorite at Darby and should not be challenged. I see Ferguson as a choice for the second spot, but he has been inconsistent this year. Durieux will end up anywhere from 126-138. I see 132 as the best option for him. I think anyone ranked here can get the two or three other spots to Columbus.

Ward looks to be the favorite at Fairmont, but could be challenged by Selmon or Shirkey. I lean on those three to get out. The fourth spot looks wide open. I like Broyles here. If not, then Regan, Ramsey, Walden or Jarrell are top contenders. Another name to watch here is Meng (Centerville). He has beaten Jarrel at least twice this year.

138-

Projected Champ: Dominick Demas (Dublin Coffman) Freshman – HD1

2. Nick Steed (Massillon Perry) Junior – ME1
3. Michael Kostandaras (Walsh Jesuit) Senior – ME2
4. Sonny Lucas (Brecksville) Junior – CSU1
5. David Sparks (Marysville) Senior – HD2
6. Tim Rooney (St. Charles) Junior – HD3
7. Evan Morgan (Elder) Senior – KF1
8. Matt Siccarella (Glen Este) Junior – KF2
9. Lane Hinkle (Mount Vernon) Sophomore – HD4
10. Gavin Nelson (Oregon Clay) Senior – CSU2
11. Ben Heyob (St. Xavier) Junior – KF3
12. Drew Hobbs (Moeller) Freshman – KF4
13. Brad Carroll (Kettering Fairmount) Junior – KF5
14. DJ Campos (Edgewood) Senior – KF6
15. Ryan Montgomery (Madison) Junior – ME3
16. Shawn Williams (Bedford) Senior – ME4
17. Yassir Abdel-Salam (Lakewood) Senior – CSU5
18. Bryce Williams (Amherst Steele) Senior – CSU3
19. Max Meddings (Fairfield) Senior – KF7
20. Adam Salti (Olmsted Falls) Senior – CSU4
21. Jakob Ottaway (Springboro) Sophomore – KF8
22. Ryan McGrath (Hilliard Bradley) Senior – HD5

23. Ryan Kaminski (Green) Junior – ME5
24. Cody Notestine (Pickerington North) Junior – HD6
25. Mikah Price (Elyria) Sophomore – CSU5
26. Nick Headlee (Grove City) Senior – HD7
27. Jimmy Staschiak (Findlay) Junior – CSU6
28. James Wingate (Toledo Whitmer) Senior – CSU7
29. Noah Messerall (Thomas Worthington) Senior – HD8
30. Jake Urich (Nordonia) Senior – CSU8
31. Anthony Kozma (Cloverleaf) Sophomore – CSU9
32. Jordan Schleigh (Wadsworth) Senior – CSU10
33. Billy Buehl (Hudson) Senior – ME6
34. Joe Ciacchi (St Edward) Senior – CSU11
35. Payton Morrison (Uniontown Lake) Senior – ME7
36. Nick Robinson (Turpin) Senior – KF9
37. Garrett Neal (Hoover) Sophomore – ME8
38. Brandon O’Neill (Massillon Jackson) Junior – ME9
39. Aaron Edwards (Lakota West) Junior – KF10
40. Josh Daniels (Colerain) Junior – KF11

Demas is my pick here in a very wide open weight. Demas, only a freshman, has tech falled Fausz (Campbell County, KY), who was nationally ranked and also beat Sparks via tech fall. I see any of the top three as legitimate contenders here. Sparks holds a head-to-head win over Kostandaras at Top Gun. Rooney seemed like a title contender until CIT’s, where he lost to Mossing.

Cleveland State finally has a weak weight, which is clearly lead by Lucas. Nelson is second best and has seem to gotten better every week, especially after a disappointing tournament at Solon. After the top two, I see it as wide open. Abdel-Salem could end up here, which I do suggest. I would pick him and Williams to get the final two spots. Salti, who I thought would drop to 132, has stayed at 138 and climatically is a better decision. He was a very big 126 last year and he beat DeMicco in the regular season last year as well. Staschiak and Wingate have wrestled a few times this year. I think Staschiak has won the last two, or at least the last two results I have seen. Another name to watch here is Camacho (Brunswick).

Steed and Kostandaras are in the same boat as Lucas and Nelson. They are clearly the top two at their district and hopefully the brackets allow them to meet in the finals at Mentor. Montgomery and Williams are my picks for the last two spots. Williams has missed a lot of time this year, but was a state qualifier last year. I see Kaminski as a clear choice for fifth best here. I have heard that Workman (Parma), could also be here, I would put him 11th overall and 3rd in the district. Another name to watch is Smith (Mentor).

Darby is probably the toughest district at this weight with four in the top nine. I see those four as the clear top four and hopefully the bracketing allows it. I see Demas as the clear favorite here and like I stated before, he tech falled Sparks in a dual meet.

Fairmont looks to be the most wide open district, with not much top-heavy depth. I could see

Fairmont not having a placer in Columbus. I like any of the top eight ranked guys here to possibly make it to Columbus. A few other names to watch are Bernhardt (Harrison), Lewis (Butler), Barklay (Centerville), and Perdue (LaSalle).

145-

Projected Champ: Kade Kowalski (Tri-Valley) Junior – HD1

2. Trey Grine (Fremont Ross) Senior – CSU1
3. Zac Carson (Uniontown Lake) Junior – ME1
4. Taleb Rahmani (Marysville) Junior – HD2
5. Bo Ransom (Madison) Senior – ME2
6. Grayson Davis (Brecksville) Senior – CSU2
7. Mikey DeCesare (Nordonia) Senior – CSU3
8. Tanner Miller (Lancaster) Junior – HD3
9. Austin Phillips (Massillon Perry) Junior – ME3
10. Kyle Workman (Parma) Senior – ME4
11. Dillon Leneave (Fairfield) Junior – KF1
12. Hunter Bryant (Piqua) Sophomore – KF2
13. Josh Bostic (Massillon Jackson) Senior – ME5
14. Garrett McIlvain (Hilliard Davidson) Junior – HD4
15. Ben Hoof (Thomas Worthington) Junior – HD5
16. Jacob Keller (Beavercreek) Senior – KF3
17. Ray Barr (St. Edward) Senior – CSU4
18. Max Davis (Glen Este) Senior – KF4
19. Shamiko Samidan (Garfield Heights) Junior – ME6
20. Cameron Earley (Springboro) Junior – KF5
21. Brice Locklear (Olmsted Falls) Sophomore – CSU5
22. Zack Mackall (Austintown-Fitch) Senior – ME7
23. Mario Graziani (Boardman) Sophomore – ME8
24. Austin Williams (Amherst Steele) Senior – CSU6
25. Tristan Brady (St. Ignatius) Freshman – ME9
26. Logan Calvert (Sidney) Junior – KF6
27. Taylor Neely (Upper Arlington) Senior – HD6
28. Nick Taylor (Elder) Senior – KF7
29. Campbell Morton (Moeller) Senior – KF8
30. Dakota Stephens (St. Xavier) Senior – KF9
31. Caleb Dimerling (Mason) Senior – KF10
32. Tyler Mayer (Avon Lake) Junior – CSU7
33. A.J. Penley (Anderson) Junior – KF11
34. Logan Broskie (Olentangy Orange) Freshman – HD7
35. Joseph Tomoletz (Mentor) – ME10
36. Nick Notestine (Pickerinton North) Junior – HD8
37. Blake Dixon (Brush) Senior – ME11
38. Matt Waltermeyer (Perrysburg) Junior – CSU8
39. Jordan Pieczynski (Pickerinton Central) Senior – HD9
40. Steven Serbinski (Lebanon) Junior – KF12

Kowalski is my pick here at a very wide open weight. Kowalski is a two-time state qualifier in D2, placing 3rd at 132 last year. I think anyone in the top four can win it. Carson is the only one with state finals experience. Carson recently beat Rahmani at Top Gun. Kowalski and Carson will be separated in Columbus if both win their district.

Grine exits CSU as the favorite and is a serious state title contender. Davis and DeCesare look to be on a different level than the rest of the district and I look for them to get the 2nd and 3rd spots, with the 4th spot being up for grabs. I favor Barr to get that spot. He is down a few weight classes from last year and has looked very good at times. A few other names to watch here are Zastrow (Sylvania Southview), Delaschmitt (Berea-Midpark) and Defraime (Medina).

Mentor is the toughest district at this weight, having 5 in the top 13. Carson is the favorite here, followed by Ransom, who recently made the cut to 145. I lean on two of the following three to get the finals two spots here: Phillips, Workman or Bostic. A few other kids to watch here are Portilla (NC Hoover), Simmons (Solon), and Murdock (Twinsburg).

This is one of the tougher weights at Darby. With 5 in the top 15, I project three state placers. Kowalski exits as the favorite here, followed by Rahmani. I think both are on a different level compared to the rest of the district. Miller is another quality kid out of the district and could be the 3rd placer for the Darby district. I look for McIlvain or Hoof to get the fourth spot, but Neely has beaten McIlvan earlier in the season.

Fairmont looks to be the weakest and most wide open district at this weight. I project no state placers out of Fairmont, but could have a placer or two because the other districts have top-heavy depth. I look for Leneave or Bryant to win the district. A few other names to watch are Cress (Lakota West), Dudgeon (Xenia), Smith (Centerville), Veracco (Miamisburg) and Kuhlman (Mount Healthy).

152-

- Projected Champ: JP Newton (Perrysburg) Senior – CSU1
- 2. Casey Sparkman (Massillon Perry) Senior – ME1
- 3. Jairod James (Bedford) Senior – ME2
- 4. Ben Darmstadt (Elyria) Sophomore – CSU2
- 5. Kevin Leonhardt (Lakota West) Senior – KF1
- 6. Aaron Yarger (Pickerington Central) Senior – HD1
- 7. Andrew McNally (Uniontown Lake) Sophomore – ME3
- 8. Lucas Staten (Mount Vernon) Junior – HD2
- 9. Luke Strnad (Brecksville) Freshman – CSU3
- 10. Jordan Collins (Mason) Junior – KF2
- 11. Dejon Moss (Maple Heights) Senior – ME4
- 12. Andrew Honious (Springboro) Junior – KF3
- 13. Robbie Bosley (Wadsworth) Senior – CSU4
- 14. Jimmy Thompson (Lancaster) Freshman – HD3
- 15. David Celinski (Garfield Hts.) Senior – ME5
- 16. Caleb Llenza (Westerville South) Senior – HD4
- 17. DJ Williamson (St. Edward) Junior – CSU5

18. Joseph Miller (Huber Hts. Wayne) Senior – KF4
19. Nick King (Edgewood) Senior – KF5
20. Jordan Paul (Loveland) Sophomore – KF6
21. Heath Phillibert (Nordonia) Senior – CSU6
22. Jacob Connors (Elder) Senior – KF7
23. Johnathan Tallarigo (Moeller) Senior – KF8
24. Kyle Vilsack (St. Ignatius) Sophomore – ME6
25. Colton Carroll (Teays Valley) Sophomore – HD5
26. Jordan Weissinger (Fremont Ross) Junior – CSU7
27. Jacob Henry (Mentor) Senior – ME7
28. No'ah Edwards (Twinsburg) Senior – ME8
29. Bubba Arsalanian (Aurora) Freshman – ME9
30. David Docherty (Parma) Senior – ME10
31. Alex Sepeda (Marysville) Junior – HD6
32. Keith Neely (Upper Arlington) Junior – HD7
33. Brad Powell (Copley) Senior – CSU8
34. Jake Paul (Westlake) Junior – CSU9
35. Xavier Wasco (North Royalton) Junior – ME11
36. Amier Cobb-Bradley (Shaker Hts.) Senior – ME12
37. Anthony Mancini (Boardman) Junior – ME13
38. Josiah Harrell (Licking Hts.) Freshman – HD8
39. Mark Kimbrell (Kettering Fairmont) Freshman – KF9
40. Alex Goodman (Solon) Junior – ME14

This could be one of the best state final matches this year if Newton meets Sparkman. Newton was in a barnburner with Danishek before losing late and Sparkman has a huge gas tank, which should make for a good one. James could spoil the party though. He has made huge strides over the past two years and I also hear that he could end up at 145.

Newton exits Cleveland State as the favorite, obviously. Darmstadt, who was a state qualifier at 120, yes 120, has moved all the way up to 152. He looks to be second best here. Strnad, a junior high state placer two years ago, looks to be third best here and would be huge for Brecksville to get him to Columbus and produce. That being said, I'm a little higher on him than most. Bosley, Williamson and the state qualifier Phillibert, could be in contention for Columbus. A couple names to watch here are Floyd (Brunswick) and Tusick (Strongsville). Tusick recently beat Docherty in a barnburner, 14-12.

Sparkman is the favorite at Mentor after beating James at Medina. I expect another close match if they meet again. McNally looks to be third best here and a possible placer in Columbus. He recently dropped to 152 and that forced Masch out of the lineup. Masch was ranked here. I see the fourth and final spot coming down to returning state placer Moss and Celinski. Moss has struggled this year, losing to two freshmen, Strnad via tech fall and Arsalanian in a dual meet. A few other names to watch are Green (Austintown-Fitch), Dugan (Louisville), and Planicka (Stow). Planicka recently beat Edwards at the NOC tournament, 2-1.

Yarger, Staten and Thompson all could win the district on any given day. Thompson has beaten

both this year, but has shown signs of inconsistency. Staten did beat Thompson in their first matchup. Llenza just beat Staten in a dual, and also could be in the mix to win the district now.

This is another weak weight for Fairmont on the state level, with only one projected state placer. Collins and Honious look to be the next best. Both have been up most of the year, but Honious did make 152 early in the year. Miller is the fourth best according to the rankings, but I wouldn't be surprised if he didn't make it back to Columbus. However, he has been very inconsistent this year. I think anyone ranked in the top eight in the district can make it to Columbus. Another name to watch here is Slagle (Sidney).

160-

Projected Champ: Tony Dailey (Massillon Perry) Senior – ME1

2. Austin Strnad (Brecksville) Senior – CSU1
3. AJ Kowal (Princeton) Senior – KF1
4. Michael Coleman (Hudson) Senior – ME2
5. Nick Stencel (Oregon Clay) Senior – CSU2
6. Sean Black (Hilliard Darby) Senior – HD1
7. Cody Pollitt (Olentangy) Senior – HD2
8. Scott Deluse (Lancaster) Senior – HD3
9. Alex Bair (Centerville) Senior – KF2
10. Taylor Workman (Elyria) Senior – CSU3
11. Mike Wearsch (Amherst Steele) Senior – CSU4
12. Peyton Geary (Fremont Ross) Senior – CSU5
13. Russell Porter (Willoughby South) Senior – ME3
14. Shane Mast (Wadsworth) Junior – CSU6
15. Adam Wukie (St. Edward) Junior – CSU7
16. Keegan Driscoll (Hilliard Bradley) Junior – HD4
17. Julian Daniels (Cincinnati Northwest) Junior – KF3
18. Branden Bryant (Brunswick) Junior – CSU8
19. Hunter Massey (Stow) Senior – ME4
20. Dan Waltermeyer (Perrysburg) Junior – CSU9
21. Austin Bohenek (Moeller) Senior – KF4
22. Nick Hammond (Canal Winchester) Junior – HD5
23. Raymond Simpson (Deleware Hayes) Senior – HD6
24. Collin Keil (Anthony Wayne) Sophomore – CSU10
25. Travis Leopald (Avon) Junior – CSU11
26. Chris Head (Massillon Jackson) Junior – ME5
27. Brian Evans (Aurora) Senior – ME6
28. Joe Kylin (Springboro) Senior – KF5
29. Ryan Taylor (Nardon) Senior – CSU12
30. Cameron Wallace (Dublin Scioto) Senior – HD7
31. Riley Etherington (Stebbins) Junior – KF6
32. Jacob Bostic (Green) Senior – ME7
33. Andrew Jewel (Toledo St. John's Jesuit) Junior – CSU14
34. Johnny Minick (Uniontown Lake) Senior – ME8
35. David Hayhurst (North Canton Hoover) Sophomore – ME9

36. Ryan Penley (Sidney) Senior – KF7
37. Cody Reel (Milford) Senior – KF8
38. Tony Carrafi (Olmsted Falls) Sophomore – CSU15
39. Mason Pillow (Westerville North) Junior – HD8
40. Dominic Rivera (Harrison) Senior – KF9

Tony Dailey is my pick here and one of the main scorers for Massillon Perry. This could be a big weight for the team race as Massillon Perry and Brecksville have the top two ranked wrestlers at this weight.

Strnad exits CSU as the favorite, a very tough weight with 7 in the top 15. I see Strnad and Stencel as clear favorites to get to Columbus. The last two spots look wide open and could be anyone I have ranked from 3rd-7th in the district, two of which have state experience (Wearsch/Geary). Another name to watch here is Wendling (North Ridgeville).

Dailey and Coleman exit Mentor and seem to be above the rest of the field. Coleman did make 152 for Super 32, but I hear he will stay at 160. Dailey beat Coleman 5-2 at Medina in the finals. Porter, who recently dropped to 160, looks to be third best and the drop looks to be a very good decision. While I have Massey getting the fourth spot, a few other names to watch here are Phillips (Euclid), Wilson (Solon) and Gambatese (Kenston).

This looks to be a solid weight at Darby, with three projected state placers. I see those three as being well above the field and I project Driscoll to get the fourth spot. Hammond could be here or at 152, but I think 152 is the better option.

Kowal exits Fairmont as the clear favorite and is a state title contender. He is the only projected placer here. Bair is next best and in the top ten. Daniels recently dropped to 160 and it looks to be the right choice, as he should find himself in Columbus come March. The fourth spot looks wide open and I like Bohenek or Kylin to get it. Kylin's ability at 160 is unknown as he has been at 170 for most of the season, but with Adkins no longer on the team, Kylin will make the move to 160. A few other names to watch here are Massett (Sycamore), Herbert (Tecumseh) and Dungeon (Xenia).

170-

- Projected Champ: Isaac Bast (Massillon Perry) Senior – ME1
2. Joe Heyob (St. Xavier) Senior – KF1
 3. James Caniglia (Loveland) Senior – KF2
 4. Quinton Rosser/Dean Meyer (Moeller) Senior – KF3
 5. Craig Sloan (Garfield Hts.) Senior – ME2
 6. Troy Lang (Brecksville) Senior – CSU1
 7. Tyler Maloy (North Canton Hoover) Senior – ME3
 8. Tim Knipl (Wadsworth) Junior – CSU2
 9. Mark Barrow (New Philadelphia) Senior – ME4
 10. Jacob Hinz (Westerville North) Junior – HD1
 11. Jake Stratton (Hilliard Bradley) Senior – HD2
 12. Kevin Khoma (St. Edward) Senior – CSU3

13. Jesse Palser (Mansfield Senior) Junior – CSU4
14. Ronnie Williams (Sycamore) Senior – KF4
15. JT Brown (Elyria) Freshman – CSU5
16. John Andrews (Centerville) Senior – KF5
17. Garrick Ginter (Sidney) Junior – KF6
18. Aaron Naples (Brunswick) Freshman – CSU6
19. Cameron Rezapourian (Austintown-Fitch) Senior – ME5
20. Jacob Gladwell (Green) Senior – ME6
21. Nolan Kondik (Kenston) Senior – ME7
22. George Dial (Pickerington North) Senior – HD3
23. Derek Eibon (Amherst Steele) Senior – CSU7
24. Eric Deluse (Lancaster) Sophomore – HD4
25. Chris Martinez (Deleware Hayes) Sophomore – HD5
26. Clayton Ray (Hamilton Twp.) Junior – HD6
27. Anthony Perrine (Nordonia) Freshman – CSU8
28. Zach Donatelli (Hilliard Darby) Junior – HD7
29. Trent Newlan (Ashland) Junior – CSU9
30. Aaron Neal (Lorain) Junior – CSU10
31. Chase Newton (Perrysburg) Freshman – CSU11
32. Ricky Godri (North Ridgeville) Senior – CSU12
33. Steven Willing (Toledo St. Francis DeSales) Senior – CSU13
34. Jason Barnicle (Avon Lake) Junior – CSU14
35. Dominic Vitrano (Uniontown Lake) Junior – ME8
36. Michael Hansinger (Olmsted Falls) Senior – CSU15
37. Julius Henderson (Shaw) Junior – ME9
38. Cameron Mayell (North Royalton) Junior – ME10
39. Christian Bobo (Whetstone) Senior – HD8
40. David Turner (Worthington Kilbourne) Junior – HD9

Bast is my pick at this wide open weight. I think any of the top four ranked above can win it. Bast will get stuck with either the Fairmont winner in the semi or the Fairmont 2nd or 3rd in the quarters and semi's, both seem equally as tough for a journey to a state title. I am not sure on who will be the starter for Moeller, but I hear Rosser and Meyer will wrestle-off for 170. The loser will be a senior without a spot. I know Rosser has the opportunity to drop according to his Alpha, but that cut may not be realistic considering he wrestled 182 last year. Sizemore can't go any lower than 170.

Lang is the slight favorite at Cleveland State, but will be challenged by Knipl. I have Khoma and Palser rounding out my top four here. Brown and Naples are two very good freshman, but I think both are a year away from qualification. A few other names to watch here are Jones (North Olmsted), Robinson (Lakewood) and Vaughn (Holland Springfield).

Mentor looks to be the second toughest district at this weight, having 4 in the top 9. I lean on those four to get the qualification spots to Columbus, but the bracket may not allow that. Next best is Rezapourian, who has been wrestling well as of late. Gladwell and Kondik will be in the mix, although Gladwell has missed some time this year so his health status is unknown. Another

name to watch here is Powers (Normandy).

I projected no placers out of Darby, but like I've said before, very rare to see a district not get one placer -- especially when winning your district can set you up for a good draw in Columbus, but that's not always true. I see Hinz and Stratton as clear favorites here. After them, the district looks very wide open. Dial has been at 182 as of late, but did make 170 earlier in the year and that looks to be the better option for him. I look for Deluse or Martinez to get the fourth and final spot.

Fairmont is by far the toughest district at this weight, which isn't surprising after most of them compete at 160; last year was crazy tough. 160 was so tough last year that Heyob didn't make it out, but he was also plagued by injury. Heyob recently beat Rosser at CIT's in the finals. He also beat the highly ranked 160, Kowal, in a dual at 170. After the top three here, there is a bit of a fall off when it comes to talent statewide. Williams is now fourth best here with Daniels recently dropping to 160. Andrews and Ginter will be in the mix for the final spot along with Williams. Another couple of names to watch here are Adams (Elder) and Bess (Withrow).

182-

Projected Champ: Anthony McLaughlin (St. Ignatius) Senior – ME1

2. Dakota Sizemore (Moeller) Senior – KF1
3. Rocco Caywood (Perrysburg) Senior – CSU1
4. Michael Weber (Loveland) Senior – KF2
5. Gabe Dzuro (St. Edward) Senior – CSU2
6. Kyle Schmidt (Miamisburg) Senior – KF3
7. Matt Stencil (Oregon Clay) Sophomore – CSU3
8. Traevon Dickerson (Mansfield Senior) Senior – CSU4
9. Nate Hall (Olentangy) Junior – HD1
10. Kevin McGraw (Troy) Senior – KF4
11. Eric Claren (Nardonia) Senior – CSU5
12. Matt Sannella (Kings) Senior – KF5
13. Gary Traub (Sycamore) Sophomore – KF6
14. Adam Tonkin (Centerville) Senior – KF7
15. Drew Fenton (Lakota West) Sophomore – KF8
16. Mike Lewis (Parma) Junior – ME2
17. Trevor Parker (Hilliard Darby) Senior – HD2
18. Shawn Johnson (Deleware Hayes) Senior – HD3
19. Drew Schiemann (Madison) Senior - ME3
20. Lucky Shaut (Worthington Kilbourne) Senior – HD4
21. Ian Silete (Findlay) Senior – CSU6
22. Austin Kuchta (Lorain) Senior – CSU7
23. James Love (Reynoldsburg) Senior – HD5
24. Alec Winston (North Olmsted) Senior – CSU8
25. Zach Uram (Toledo St. Francis DeSales) Senior – CSU9
26. Dan Pastorius (Newark) Senior – HD6
27. Mike Mauser (Willoughby South) Senior – ME4
28. Jimmy Suhayda (Brecksville) Junior – CSU10

29. Jeff Christian (Solon) Junior – ME5
30. Pete Kunka (Mentor) Junior – ME6
31. Shawn Norris (Lancaster) Junior – HD7
32. Brady Durieux (Massillon Perry) Junior – ME7
33. Trey Sommers (Uniontown Lake) Senior – ME8
34. Connor Rigsby (Painesville Riverside) Senior – ME9
35. A.J. Jones (Thomas Worthington) Sophomore – HD8
36. Alex Carrell (Wadsworth) Senior – CSU11
37. Beau Boswell (Canton McKinley) Senior – ME10
38. Michael Bekeny (Brunswick) Junior – CSU12
39. Ben Krizman (Hudson) Senior – ME11
40. Adam Peak (Medina) Senior – CSU13
- HM. Nathan Bush (Edgewood) Junior – KF9
- HM. Mark Adams (Elder) Junior – KF10
- HM. Gage Brock (Elder) Sophomore – KF11

McLaughlin is my pick at another wide open weight. He has beaten both Caywood and Sizemore this year, but both were very close matches. Sizemore is a returning state champ, but has missed time due to football and injury. Caywood had a very good Ironman tournament after having a disappointing post season, as he beat eventual state champ Nick Corba last year at Medina. Weber is the wildcard here. He has done very well in Columbus the past two years.

Cleveland State looks to be the toughest district at this weight and I project four state placers. Caywood is the favorite here while D'Zuro, Stencel and Dickerson round out the top four. McLaughlin beat Stencel at Solon 8-5. While McLaughlin dominated by way more than the score indicated, Stencel has looked much better ever since that match. Claren has missed some time this year, but should be in the mix for the fourth spot. I think the top five are in their own league here and I would be surprised if someone besides the top five make it to Columbus.

McLaughlin exits Mentor as the clear favorite at a very weak weight while Lewis looks to be second best here. I see the last two spots as wide open. I would even suggest for maybe a 170 to move up or a 195 to move down. A couple other names to watch here are Klingbergs (Chardon) and Ford (New Philadelphia).

Nate Hall looks to be the favorite at Darby at a weight in which I project no state placers out of the district. I see the last three spots going to Parker, Johnson, and Shaut. I see Love and Pastorius in the mix here as well.

Fairmont looks to be the second toughest district at this weight. Sizemore is the favorite here, but will be challenged by Weber and Schmidt; all three are projected placers. I have McGraw getting the fourth spot. He missed time due to disciplinary issues, but I am fairly certain he will be back. If McGraw is not back then I see the final spot wide open amongst the next four ranked kids in the district, as all seem about even. Tonkin has recently been at 195, I think he could stay there. A couple other names to watch are Bush (Edgewood) and Brock (Elder).

195-

Projected Champ: Kyle Conel (Ashtabula Lakeside) Senior – ME1

2. TeGray Scales (Colerain) Senior – KF1
3. Josh Murphy (Brecksville) Senior – CSU1
4. Gunner Gambill (Loveland) Senior – KF2
5. Jerry Thornberry (Moeller) Senior – KF3
6. Kadin Llewellyn (Perrysburg) Senior – CSU2
7. Matthew Lybarger (Mount Vernon) Senior – HD1
8. Cole Jones (St. Xavier) Junior – KF4
9. Lenn’s Kamba (Olentangy Orange) Senior – HD2
10. Ross Lonsaway (Holland Springfield) Senior – CSU3
11. Adam Kuchta (Lorain) Senior – CSU4
12. Mike O’Malley (St. Edward) Sophomore – CSU5
13. Cole Sutton (Sycamore) Sophomore – KF5
14. Nic Kramer (Westerville North) Junior – HD3
15. Dennis Breeding (Amherst Steele) Senior – CSU6
16. Chris Meffert (Uniontown Lake) Senior – ME2
17. Monterol Johnson (Maple Heights) Senior – ME3
18. Chad Ely (Painesville Riverside) Senior – ME4
19. Nick Bina (Nardon) Junior – CSU7
20. Clayton Bradenburg (Wadsworth) Senior – CSU8
21. Robert Fusner (Central Crossing) Sophomore – HD4
22. Dean Warchak (Brunswick) Senior – CSU9
23. Colton Richard (Deleware Hayes) Senior – HD5
24. Spencer Linville (Olmsted Falls) Freshman – CSU10
25. Aaron Miller (Dublin Coffman) Senior – HD6
26. Noah Straman (Sidney) Senior – KF6
27. Sheldon Sims (Mason) Junior – KF7
28. Austyn Wilson (Cuyahoga Falls) Senior – CSU11
29. Trevor Jackson (Xenia) Junior – KF8
30. Austin Kingsland (Lebanon) Junior – KF9
31. Aaron Wank (Mentor) Senior – ME5
32. Brandon McKinney (Hamilton) Sophomore – KF10
33. Oseji Azuka (Lakota East) Senior – KF11
34. Nathan Stone (Glen Este) Sophomore – KF12
35. Michael Deslanter (Hudson) Junior – ME6
36. Matt Driver (Parma) Junior – ME7
37. Casey Boyle (Harrison) Senior – KF13
38. Logan Kemp (Centerville) Sophomore – KF14
39. Tristin Weirich (Ashland) Sophomore – CSU13
40. Elliot Simpson (Garfield Hts.) Junior – ME8

Conel, a returning state runner-up, is the favorite here. I think Scales and Murphy will challenge him, with a possibility of Gambill as well if he is back at 100%. Another thing to watch is if Pfarr is at 195 or 220. I like his chances at 195 better.

Murphy exits CSU as the clear favorite. Llewellyn is second best here and a projected state

placer, despite not having any state experience. I think Lonsaway, Kuchta or O'Malley will fill two of the three final spots here. Kuchta does have state experience in D3 and in North Carolina. A couple other names to watch here Sturm (Avon) and Winklejohn (Findlay).

Conel is the clear favorite at Mentor. This is a very weak weight with Conel being the only kid ranked in the top 15. I like Meffert, Johnson and Ely to get the other spots, but those spots look wide open. A few more names to watch are Suchovsky (Aurora), Gianguzzo (Kenston) and Young (McKinley).

Lybarger is my projected district champ here and the only projected placer out of Darby unless Pfarr is here. I would rank him second overall and first in the district. Kamba is second best here and is one of my favorites to watch, he is big and can move. I like Kramer for the third spot -- he has flown up the rankings all year. The fourth and final spot looks up for grabs, as I think any of the ranked wrestlers can make it out. Another name to add to that list is Starkey (Pickerington North).

Fairmont looks to be the toughest district at this weight and I project all four state qualifiers to place in Columbus. Scales is the favorite here, followed by two other returning state placers, Gambill and Thornberry. Jones, who was a stud in junior high, has finally put together a full season and finds himself in the top eight. I do believe these four have separated themselves from the rest, but the bracketing may not allow it. A couple other names to watch here are Stargell (Walnut Hills) and Brady (Beavercreek).

220-

Projected Champ: Chalmer Frueauf (Moeller) Senior – KF1

2. Austin Pfarr (Marysville) Senior – HD1
3. Alex Woichevovich (Nordonia) Senior – CSU1
4. Devin Nye (Springfield) Senior – KF2
5. Tinashae Bere (Sycamore) Senior – KF3
6. Seth Brennock (Loveland) Senior – KF4
7. Parker Knapp (St. Edward) Sophomore – CSU2
8. Andrew Sierawski (Deleware Hayes) Senior – HD2
9. Andy Struttman (Westerville North) Senior – HD3
10. Marquise Copeland (Bedford) Junior – ME1
11. Garrett Snyder (North Royalton) Senior – ME2
12. Alonzo Jewell (Hamilton Twp.) Senior – HD4
13. Matt Kuhlman (St. Xavier) Senior – KF5
14. Stefano Millin (Massillon Perry) Senior – ME3
15. Moose Al-Najjar (North Olmsted) Senior – CSU3
16. Rudy Ware (Cuyahoga Falls) Senior – CSU4
17. Andrew Kostecka (Troy) Senior – KF6
18. James Ford (Thomas Worthington) Junior – HD5
19. Noel Caraballo (Olmsted Falls) Sophomore – CSU5
20. Eddie Sternad (Brecksville) Sophomore – CSU6
21. John Floyd (Springboro) Sophomore – KF7
22. Mark Delas (Perrysburg) Senior – CSU7

23. Connor Kamczyc (Elyria) Senior – CSU8
24. Hunter Topolski (Sylvania Southview) Senior – CSU9
25. Chayse Carter (Olentangy) Senior – HD6
26. Tyler Koester (Oregon Clay) Junior – CSU10
27. Anthony Kastelic (Garfield Hts.) Junior – ME4
28. Adriyel Glass (Princeton) Senior – KF8
29. Ras Lumpkins (Dublin Scioto) Sophomore – HD7
30. Malcolm Solack (Groveport Madison) Junior – HD8
31. Chandler Evanichko (Grove City) Senior – HD9
32. Casey Nelson (Marion Harding) Senior – HD10
33. Emmanuel Lewis (Shaker Hts.) Junior – ME5
34. Marcus Molina (Findlay) Senior – CSU11
35. Bradley Rutter (Lancaster) Junior – HD11
36. Raphael Turner (Reynoldsburg) Senior – HD12
37. Sterling Roseberry (Dublin Coffman) Sophomore – HD13
38. Grant Martin (Uniontown Lake) Sophomore – ME6
39. Paul Gilmore (Eastlake North) Junior – ME7
40. Cody Smith (Xenia) Sophomore – KF9

Frueauf, a returning state champ and three-time state placer, is the favorite here. With how much time Frueauf has missed, I would be surprised to see him get challenged. Pfarr seems to be Frueauf's biggest competition, as Pfarr has pinned Woichevich and also beat him by a point.

Woichevich is the clear favorite at CSU. He is a returning state placer and a two-time state qualifier. Knapp is second best here and seems to be well above the rest of the field here, next tier is Ware. The last spot seems wide open, as I think anyone that I have ranked in the top seven here can make it out. A few names to watch here Conkle (Ashland), Perdue (Brunswick), Summers (Holland Springfield), O'Reilly (St. John's Jesuit), Travagliente (Avon) and Samouk (Copley).

Copeland exits Mentor as the favorite at a very weak weight. I project no state placers. Snyder and Millin look to be on a different level than the rest of the district and I expect those two to qualify. The last spot looks wide open here. A few other names to watch are Penn (St. Ignatius), Schmidt (Willoughby South) and Henderson (Euclid).

Pfarr is the favorite here, well, depending on if he's here or at 195. Siewarski is up a few weight classes from last year and has been very successful with the move. I like Struttman and Jewel to get the final two spots here.

Frueauf is obviously the favorite at Fairmont at a very tough weight. I have four kids ranked in the top six. I would suggest for someone like Kuhlman to possibly move up to 285. A few other names to watch here are Phillips (Glen Este), Ashcraft (Milford), Ball (Kettering Fairmont), Charette (Centerville), Allgor (Mason), Durham (Lakota East) and Isham (Elder). Also, whomever Beaver creek has at 220 is worth noting, whether it be Berry or Baker. I think the other one will be at 285.

285-

Projected Champ: Cale Bonner (Perrysburg) Junior – CSU1

2. Micky Crum (Hamilton Township) Senior – HD1
3. Geno Rollo (Pickerington North) Senior – HD2
4. Kevin Vough (Elyria) Freshman – CSU2
5. Andrew Alten (Loveland) Senior – KF1
6. Chris Crumb (Olentangy) Sophomore – HD3
7. Antonio Zapata (Oregon Clay) Senior – CSU3
8. Ralph Nichols (St. Edward) Senior – CSU4
9. Seth Maylor (Massillon Perry) Senior – ME1
10. Tristan Roberts (GlenOak) Junior – ME2
11. Jon Morgan-Cunningham (Bedford) Senior – ME3
12. Conan Jennings (Centerville) Senior – KF2
13. Alex Dalton (Troy) Senior – KF3
14. Staci Wilson (Solon) Senior – ME4
15. Jovahn Fair (Firestone) Junior – ME5
16. Jordan Lee (Olmsted Falls) Senior – CSU5
17. Tristan Taylor (Tecumseh) Junior – KF4
18. Kamal Smith (Holland Springfield) Senior – CSU6
19. Nick Nader (Gahanna Lincoln) Junior – HD4
20. Cameron Teacher (Central Crossing) Sophomore – HD5
21. CJ Kinzer (Teays Valley) Senior – HD6
22. Joe Hensley (Moeller) Sophomore – KF5
23. Nick Urban (Willoughby South) Sophomore – ME6
24. Zac Benner (Ashland) Junior – CSU7
25. Austin Morris (Mason) Senior – KF6
26. Darius Walker (Marysville) Senior – HD7
27. Antonio Weatherspoon (Maple Heights) Senior – ME7
28. Samson Demand (Cuyahoga Falls) Sophomore – ME8
29. Aaron Crosby (Valley Forge) Senior – ME9
30. Christian Eubanks (Reynoldsburg) Junior – HD8
31. Josh Burger (Aurora) Sophomore – ME10
32. David Sittason (Harrison) Senior – KF7
33. Emilio Paesano (Dublin Jerome) Freshman – HD9
34. Brennen Sawicki (Dublin Scioto) Junior – HD10
35. Nathan Koehne (Sycamore) Senior – KF8
36. Robert Overbeck (LaSalle) Senior – KF9
37. Rashaun Searles (Shaker Hts.) Senior – ME11
38. Ke'Eryon Deal (Mount Healthy) Junior – KF10
39. Michael Jones (Winton Woods) Senior – KF11
40. Gunnar Parr (Fairborn) Senior – KF12

Bonner is my pick here, despite recently losing to Zapata. This is a very wide open weight, while I see Crum as a sleeper to win it here. Crum is big and athletic, he tech falled the D2 ranked Loughman (Sheridan/D2) and beat Kinzer by major decision. Vough is another kid who I think can surprise everyone at the end of the year. He has gotten better each week as he is adjusting to

high school wrestling and growing into the weight.

Bonner exits CSU as the favorite, but did recently lose to Zapata. Vough, Zapata and Nichols round out my top four here, while all are projected state placers. Another name to watch here besides those ranked is Bailey (North Ridgeville).

Maylor is my pick to win a wide open district at Mentor. I see Maylor, Roberts and Morgan-Cunningham to be above the rest of the field. I see Wilson and Fair as the top contenders for the fourth spot. Fair is definitely a sleeper. Another name to watch here is Senko (North Royalton).

Crum is the slight favorite at Darby. He will be challenged by Rollo and Crumb. After those three, I see Nader and Teacher as the next best here with Kinzer right behind them. Teacher beat Kinzer by a point at Pickerington North.

Andrew Alten exits Fairmont as the clear favorite and only projected state placer. I see Jennings and Dalton as the third best here. The fourth and final spot looks wide open. I see it coming down to Taylor and Hensley.

Division 1 Team Projections

Rank	School	Points	State Champs	State Placers	State Qualifiers
1	Massillon Perry	165	4	8	12
2	Brecksville	121	1	8	10
3	Moeller	101	1	7	9
4	Perrysburg	90	2	5	5
5	St. Edward	69	0	6	8
6	Loveland	65	0	5	6
7	Marysville	64	0	4	4
8	Walsh Jesuit	51	0	3	3
9	Oregon Clay	44	0	5	6
10	Elyria	39	0	3	5
11	Wadsworth	31	1	2	3
12	St. Xavier	30	0	2	4

Division 2

Alliance - AL	Bowling Green - BG
Claymont - C	Wilmington - W

106-

Projected Champ: Tyler Warner (Claymont) Sophomore – C1

2. Hunter Lucas (Lima Shawnee) Sophomore – BG1
3. Justin Stickley (Graham) Sophomore – W1
4. Josh Venia (Toledo Central Catholic) Sophomore – BG2
5. Tony DeCesare (Padua) Sophomore – AL1
6. Jake Martinez (Licking Valley) Freshman – C2
7. Hunter Kosco (Canal Fulton Northwest) Freshman – AL2
8. Dante Ginnetti (Poland) Sophomore – AL3
9. Noah Jay (Whitehall-Yearling) Senior – C3
10. Charlie Nash (Norwalk) Sophomore – BG3
11. Terrell Grant (Tallmadge) Junior – AL4
12. Alex Potts (East Liverpool) Junior – C4
13. Lukas Stricker (Hoban) Freshman – AL5
14. Bruce Hrynciw (Oak Harbor) Freshman – BG4
15. Skyler St. Peter (Athens) Senior – W2
16. Alec Schopfer (West Branch) Junior – AL6
17. CJ Brady (Carrollton) Junior – C5
18. Chayse Creager (Marlington) Freshman – AL7
19. Jacob Ondash (Crestwood) Sophomore – AL8
20. Brady Toth (Perry) Sophomore – AL9
21. Gannon Petrullo (Dover) Freshman – C6
22. Tyler Capodice (Sandusky Perkins) Sophomore – BG5
23. Logan Ball (Cambridge) Freshman – C7
24. Cody Woods (West Holmes) Freshman – C8
25. Tyler Adkins (Western Brown) Junior – W3
26. Sean Kuklisin (Streetsboro) Senior – AL10
27. Jordan Anthony (Buckeye Valley) Sophomore – C9
28. Mason Brainard (CVCA) Sophomore – AL11
29. Seth McGhee (Minerva) Freshman – C10
30. Miguel Morrell (Clearview) Freshman – BG6
31. Andrew Bailey (Wauseon) Freshman – BG7
32. Jared Stevens (Gallia Academy) Freshman – W5
33. Dontae Tallarigo (Batavia) Freshman – W4
34. Eric Bartos (Medina Buckeye) Freshman – BG8
35. Quinton Bookman (Lisbon Beaver) Freshman – C11
36. Tanner English (Canfield) Freshman – AL12
37. Justin Pierce (Wilmington) Freshman – W6
38. Charlie Bohls (Napoleon) Freshman – BG9

39. Logan Carr (Bellefontaine) Junior – BG10
40. Tanner Krotzer (Rossford) Freshman – BG11

Warner, a returning state champ, is my pick and the favorite here. He is ranked in the top 10 nationally by all ranking services. I think anyone in the top six can meet Warner in the finals and we all know anything can happen in the state finals.

I see DeCesare as the clear favorite at Alliance. He is a returning state placer in D1 last year, before transferring from Nordonia. This is the toughest district at this weight, with 5 in the top 13 and 9 in the top 19. I think any of the top nine can make it out here. Ginnetti, a state qualifier last year, recently lost to Creager. Creager just recently dropped to 106 and makes this district even more interesting.

Lucas and Venia look to be above the field at Bowling Green as I see both as title contenders in Columbus. Next best here are Nash and Hrynciw, with Hrynciw losing to Capodice in the beginning of the year. I have heard that Capodice may not be back by the postseason; Perkins has possibly two solid options for him, if he is not back. Those two options are Maslyk and Waldron. Waldron has seen action at 113, so I'm not sure if he can make 106 or not. I see both possible replacements as being in the mix here. Another name to watch is Assaf (Defiance).

Claymont is the second toughest district at this weight. Warner is the clear favorite here, as he is the clear favorite to repeat. I see Martinez next best here, followed by Jay. I think they're above the rest of the field. I see the fourth spot as wide open. Potts has done better against the field, but did lose to Brady head-to-head.

Wilmington looks to be the weakest of the four districts. Stickley is the clear favorite here -- I think his toughest competition will be his wrestle-off with fellow teammate, Tanner Smith. St. Peter is a senior at this weight, very rare. I like him to get the second spot. After the top two, I can't confidently say I have a pulse on the rest of the district. I think anyone ranked above can make it, maybe even someone not ranked.

113-

- Projected Champ: Eli Stickley (Graham) Junior – W1
2. Seth Beard (Napoleon) Sophomore – BG1
 3. Ana Abduljelil (Whitehall-Yearling) Sophomore – C1
 4. Tariq Wilson (Steubenville) Sophomore – C2
 5. Cory Simpson (Field) Sophomore – AL1
 6. Trent Duffy (Miami Trace) Senior – W2
 7. Paul Petras (Padua) Junior – AL2
 8. Lane Peters (Claymont) Sophomore – C3
 9. Derek Wilson (Norwalk) Senior – BG2
 10. Jonah Schropp (Lexington) Senior – BG3
 11. Keysean Amison (Sandusky Perkins) Freshman – BG4
 12. Thurston Dyer (Upper Sandusky) Sophomore – BG5
 13. Zach Bussard (Valley View) Junior – W3
 14. Nathaniel Kehn (Sheridan) Junior – W4

15. Levi Congleton (Vincent Warren) Junior – W5
16. Cory Marshall (Dover) Senior – C4
17. Nick Berry (Dayton Carroll) Sophomore – BG6
18. Josiah Hrusch (Minerva) Senior – C5
19. Eli Yoho (Woodridge) Freshman – AL3
20. Brennan Joseph (Marlington) Sophomore – AL4
21. Jack Dawson (Lisbon Beaver) Junior – C6
22. Ryan Lantow (Defiance) Junior – BG7
23. Dylan Mansor (Oak Harbor) Freshman – BG8
24. Aaron Kelly (Rocky River) Sophomore – BG9
25. Matt West (Hillsboro) Senior – W6
26. Jacob Boldman (Wilmington) Sophomore – W7
27. Jackson Law (River Valley) Junior – C7
28. Colin Langer (Lake Catholic) Freshman – AL5
29. Dusten Cummings (Circleville) Senior – W8
30. Bryan Persinger (Triway) Freshman – AL6
31. Kyle West (Canfield) Sophomore – AL7
32. Dylan Duskin (Clyde) Sophomore – BG10
33. Blaine Hunter (Elida) Sophomore – BG11
34. Quaid Ivy (Norton) Sophomore – AL8
35. Tucker Pearce (Coventry) Sophomore – AL9
36. Mitchell Giffin (Indian Valley) Sophomore – C8
37. Garrett Hower (St. Mary's Memorial) Senior – BG12
38. Isaac Hager (Morgan) Freshman – C9
39. Jayden Hefner (Wapakoneta) Freshman – BG13
40. Shafeek Shafeek (Centennial) Senior – C10

Stickley enters as the slight favorite here. I see this being a two-man race between Stickley and Beard. The top six here were all state placers last year. Four found the podium at 106: Beard (2nd), Stickley (3rd), Wilson (6th) and Simpson (8th). The other two returning placers found the podium at 113 while Abduljelil finished 5th and Duffy finished 8th.

Simpson is the slight favorite at Alliance over Petras. Simpson was recently pinned by Volpe, which is considered a “bad loss”. Petras had a breakout year last year, but came up short of qualification; I think we see him in Columbus this year. After the top two, I see the last two spots being wide open. Amongst the rest of the field, two names stick out: Yoho, a junior high state placer and Joseph.

Bowling Green looks to be the toughest district at this weight with tremendous depth. Beard is the favorite here. I see the final three spots as wide open and can see anyone ranked filling them. Wilson has been very impressive this year while having beaten Schropp. Schropp has beaten Amison and Dyer. I favor those four to get the final three spots slightly above the rest. I am not sure of the status of Merrell (Madison Comprehensive). If he is wrestling, he would be ranked in the top eight.

Aduljelil and Wilson exit Claymont as the slight favorites to win the district. I don't see Peters

too far behind. This weight is the toughest amongst the four districts and projects to have three state placers. The last spot is wide open Marshall and Hrusch, standout amongst the rest of field

Stickley and Duffy stick out above the rest year at Wilmington, both project to place in Columbus. I see Bussard, Kehn and Congleton as next best here, a three-for-two situation. West will also contend for a trip to Columbus.

120-

- Projected Champ: Dustin Warner (Claymont) Senior – C1
2. Ryan Bennett (CVCA) Junior – AL1
 3. Mario Kastl (Graham) Sophomore – W1
 4. Korey Frost (Canfield) Senior – AL2
 5. Collin Dees (Perry) Senior – AL3
 6. Brad Taton (Lake Catholic) Senior – AL4
 7. Colin Ingram (Lima Bath) Senior – BG1
 8. Ryan Kelley (Hillsboro) Senior – W2
 9. Mike Stewart (Sparta Highland) Junior – C2
 10. Ray Raimo (River Valley) Senior – C3
 11. Juwan Minnefield (Sandusky Perkins) Sophomore – BG2
 12. Brogan Lovejoy (Ravenna) Junior – AL5
 13. Cole Woods (West Holmes) Sophomore – C4
 14. Travis Pidgeon (West Branch) Junior – AL6
 15. Cameron Canonico (Minerva) Senior – C5
 16. Jesse Todd (Clear Fork) Junior – BG3
 17. Dakotah Goff (Steubenville) Sophomore – C6
 18. Dustin Martsolf (Lisbon Beaver) Sophomore – C7
 19. Marcus Cruz (Clearview) Senior – BG4
 20. Rosendo Beltran (Toledo Central Catholic) Sophomore – BG5
 21. Dominic Vagnier (Logan Elm) Junior – W3
 22. Sal Ferrise (Akron SVSM) Senior – AL7
 23. Josh Gunter (Coventry) Junior – AL8
 24. Andrew Spicer (New Lexington) Sophomore – W4
 25. Greg Brewer (Circleville) Freshman – W5
 26. Jacob Huston (Oak Harbor) Freshman – BG6
 27. Leconte Merrell (Madison Comprehensive) Freshman – BG7
 28. Mcpherson Altom (Eaton) Sophomore – BG8
 28. Nick Hoffman (Amanda-Clearcreek) Senior – C8
 29. Max Baker (Lexington) Junior – BG9
 30. Kyle Bussard (Valley View) Junior – W6
 31. Adam Shaw (Carrollton) Freshman – C9
 32. Nick Young (Philo) Junior – C10
 33. Tyler Armstrong (Kenton Ridge) Senior – W7
 34. Seth D'Allesandris (Springfield Shawnee) Sophomore – W8
 35. Gage Campbell (Wauseon) Sophomore – BG10
 36. Justin Kleinknecht (Galion) Senior – BG11
 37. Mychael Jefferson (Alliance) Senior – AL9

38. Ben Kring (Bishop Watterson) Sophomore – C11
39. Isaiah Young (Heath) Sophomore – C12
40. Kyler Lange (Tiffin Columbian) Junior – BG12

Warner recently moved to 120 and that looks to be a very good decision, as this has been considered a weak weight all year. The move will improve Warner's chance at a title and will also help Claymont in the team race. I think anyone ranked above in the top eight can make it to the finals.

Bennett exits as the slight favorite at Alliance. Alliance is the toughest district at this weight, with four projected qualifiers. I see the top four here being above the rest of the field, but Lovejoy could sneak through, depending on the bracketing.

This doesn't look like a particularly a tough weight here at BG. I see Ingram, a returning state placer in D3, as the slight favorite. I see Minnefield and Todd as the next best here -- Minnefield does a have victory over Todd. The fourth spot looks to be up for the taking, I would suggest that a 113 moves up here.

Warner exits as the clear favorite at Claymont, a very deep district with 7 in the top 18. I see Warner as the only "lock" to qualify. I favor the next six here over the rest of the field to get the final three spots.

Kastl and Kelley stick out above the rest of the field at Wilmington. I don't see this as a very strong weight here. This district usually isn't very strong in the lower weights. Kastl looks to be a high placer in Columbus. Kelley has had a breakout year this year; I see him as a possible placer in Columbus. I favor Vagner and Spicer slightly over Brewer, a junior high state placer.

126-

- Projected Champ: Anthony Tutolo (Lake Catholic) Senior – AL1
2. Eli Seipel (Graham) Junior – W1
 3. Cameron Kelly (Bellbrook) Junior – W2
 4. Chandler Minnard (Bloom Carroll) Junior – C1
 5. Cole Tawney (Gallia Academy) Junior – W3
 6. Georgio Poullas (Canfield) Freshman – AL2
 7. Conner Nemec (Crestwood) Senior – AL3
 8. Devin Rogers (Springfield Northwestern) Junior – BG1
 9. Walker Chieffe (University School) Senior – AL4
 10. Eli Cochran (Kenton Ridge) Senior – W4
 11. Kollin Clark (Claymont) Senior – C2
 12. Brandon Leynaud (Lexington) Senior – BG2
 13. Matt Steer (West Branch) Freshman – AL5
 14. Joe Koontz (Akron SVSM) Freshman – AL6
 15. CJ Ball (Rossford) Senior – BG3
 16. Hayden Matheney (Morgan) Senior – C3
 17. Tyler Jenkins (Meadowbrook) Junior – C4
 18. Shawn Murphy (Washington CH) Junior – W5

19. Jason Keyes (Lisbon Beaver) Sophomore – C5
20. Nick Foster (Holy Name) Senior – AL7
21. Collin Adkins (Bellevue) Sophomore – BG4
22. Bradley Sprau (Rocky River) Junior – BG5
23. Luciano Mendicino (Granville) Freshman – C6
24. Dominic Meehan (Brooklyn) Senior – AL8
25. Eli Ayoud (Jonathan Alder) Junior – C7
26. Derek Hanson (Upper Sandusky) Senior – BG6
27. Vince Zitello (Bay) Sophomore – BG7
28. Trae Coopwood (Madison Comprehensive) Senior – BG8
29. Aiden Pasiuk (Carrollton) Freshman – C8
30. Matt Salmon (Perkins) Junior – BG9
31. Riley Zipfel (Defiance) Senior – BG10
32. Jimmy Coyne (CVCA) Senior – AL9
33. Chance Haynes (Buckeye Valley) Sophomore – C9
34. Brandon Buss (Circleville) Junior – W6
35. Gabe Makin (Elida) Freshman – BG11
36. Langston Kitchen (Urbana) Sophomore – W7
37. Luke Leonard (Fostoria) Junior – BG12
38. Connor Avalon (Clyde) Junior – BG13
39. Evan Reed (Cambridge) Junior – C10
40. Ben Zbasnik (Minerva) Junior – C11

This should be one of the more exciting weights to watch in Division 2. I see this as a three-man race, as many others do as well. Tutolo, Seipel and Kelly, all have won state titles in their careers. Tutolo and Seipel got theirs last year, while Kelly was a state champ as a freshman at 106. Tutolo will most likely have to beat both to win since Seipel and Kelly exit the same district.

Tutolo is the clear favorite at Alliance, a weight with three projected state placers. I see the next three spots being wide open, favoring three of the next five here to get the final three spots. Foster, a returning state qualifier, is also here, but has struggled this year. Another couple names to watch are Dantimo (Streetsboro) and Muir-Johnson (Revere).

Rogers looks to be the favorite of a weak weight at BG. He is the only projected placer here. I like Leynaud and the returning state qualifier, Ball, to get the next two spots. The fourth spot is wide open. I like either Adkins or Sprau to get that spot. A few other names to watch here are Slattman (Wauseon), Dalton (Lexington), Wilhelm (Dayton Carroll), Jones (Sandusky) and Fessler (Bishop Fenwick).

Minnard is the favorite at Claymont, followed by Clark. I heard Billy Shannon will be at 132, which looks like a way better option climatically there. I see those two being above the rest of the field here. I like Matheney and Jenkins to get the next two spots. Jenkins recently beat state qualifier, Keyes, 10-4. Another name to watch is Austin Shannon (Amanda-Clearcreek).

Seipel and Kelly are the favorites at Wilmington, the toughest district at this weight with three

returning placers. Tawney, the third state placer here, is third best. I like Cochran to get the fourth and final spot. I would be surprised if any of these four didn't make it out, unless it's due to bracketing.

132-

Projected Champ: Brent Moore (Graham) Sophomore – W1

2. Aaran Gessic (Perry) Senior – AL1
3. Wade Hodges (Wauseon) Junior – BG1
4. Nate Hagan (Toledo Central Catholic) Junior – BG2
5. Garrett Carter (Akron SVSM) Junior – AL2
6. Tyler Knul (Circleville) Senior – W2
7. Seth Cochran (Kenton Ridge) Senior – W3
8. Billy Shannon (Amanda-Clearcreek) Senior – C1
9. Joey Baitt (Jefferson) Senior – AL3
10. Bryson Laytart (Miami Trace) Junior – W4
11. Dylan Dolph (Canton South) Senior – AL4
12. Bret Yutzy (Jonathan Alder) Senior – C2
13. Rhett Peterson (Oak Harbor) Sophomore – BG3
14. Nate Boggs (Sandusky Perkins) Senior – BG4
15. Tre Wheeler (Lima Bath) Senior – BG5
16. Kevin Beal (Fairfield Union) Sophomore – W5
17. Austin Shields (Coventry) Senior – AL5
18. Kevin Swaney (Hoban) Junior – AL6
19. Logan Stiner (Keystone) Senior – BG6
20. Zane Speelman (Madison Comprehensive) Junior – BG7
21. Carson Mengerink (Upper Sandusky) Senior – BG8
22. Nick Farmer (Norton) Freshman – AL7
23. Gabe Gibson (Bloom Carroll) Sophomore – C3
24. Jordan McKnight (Carlisle) Senior – W6
25. Hayden Bullard (Johnstown-Monroe) Sophomore – C4
26. Dustin McGraw (Tallmadge) Junior – AL8
27. Cayne Bennett (Sheridan) Junior – W7
28. Sam Grashel (River View) Senior – C5
29. Brett Bailey (Ravenna Southeast) Sophomore – AL9
30. Steven Daprile (Canfield) Senior – AL10
31. Kyle Fowler (Medina Buckeye) Junior – BG9
32. Malachi Marlow (Western Brown) Sophomore – W8
33. Anthony Beier (Clyde) Senior – BG10
34. Emmett Covington (Athens) Junior – W9
35. Joey Boley (Lake Catholic) Sophomore – AL11
36. Jesse Hubbard (Steubenville) Freshman – C6
37. Steve Shivak (Padua) Junior – AL12
38. Zac Brunty (Crestwood) Freshman – AL13
39. Tanner Rahm (Goshen) Junior – W10
40. Lance Smith (Fostoria) Sophomore – BG11

Brent Moore enters as the favorite here. He was a state placer last year as a freshman. I see this as one of the deeper weights in Division 2. I think Gessic and Hodges could challenge Moore. Gessic just recently be Hodges, 5-2, at Maumee Bay. Hagan is another kid here to watch, but Hodges did just beat him 4-0.

Gessic, a returning state placer, is the favorite at Alliance followed by fellow state placer, Carter. I see the top two above the rest of the field. The next best here are Baitt and Dolph, as both look to be above the rest of the field.

Hodges exits BG as the favorite after recently beating Hagan. I see those two being well above the rest of the field. I look for two out of the following three to take the final two spots here: Peterson, Boggs and Wheeler. A few others to watch here are Barajas (Defiance), Wilcoxon (Bellefontaine) and Lawson (Sandusky).

Shannon looks to be the favorite at Claymont, a very weak weight here. Shannon could be here or at 126, but I think 132 makes the most sense. Yutzy is second best here and will contend for a district title. I favor the next three ranked wrestlers to fill the last two spots. A couple other names to watch here are Golec (Claymont) and Van Way (John Glenn). I wouldn't be surprised if Golec got out here.

Moore is the favorite to win Wilmington, which is the toughest district at this weight with 4 in the top 10. I favor the top four here above the rest of the field here. Knul could be here or at 138; I hear 132.

138-

Projected Champ: Ryan Skonieczny (Akron SVSM) Senior – AL1

2. Kyle Lawson (Graham) Freshman – W1

3. Cody Burcher (Claymont) Senior – C1

4. Kyle Kaminski (Padua) Junior – AL2

5. Jake Zemaitis (Crestwood) Senior – AL3

6. Preston Bowshier (Kenton Ridge) Senior – W2

7. Josh Mossing (Toledo Central Catholic) Junior – BG1

8. Daniel Hasson (Lisbon Beaver) Junior – C2

9. DaShawn Haynes (Delaware Buckeye Valley) Senior – C3

10. Jimmy Kubitz (Field) Senior – AL4

11. Christian Price (Granville) Junior – C4

12. Seth Boggs (Sandusky Perkins) Sophomore – BG2

13. Jon Watkins (Lexington) Junior – BG3

14. Drew Kinzel (Clear Fork) Junior – BG4

15. Chris Dynowski (Streetsboro) Senior – AL5

16. Jeff Smiddy (Springfield Shawnee) Sophomore – W3

17. CJ Frost (Canfield) Sophomore – AL6

18. Josh Romano (Perry) Junior – AL7

19. Gene Porter (Sandusky) Senior – BG5

20. Jeremy Balboa (Oak Harbor) Junior – BG6

21. Francisco Chavez (Defiance) Senior – BG7

22. Zach Johnson (Wilmington) Senior – W4
23. Isaiah Collier (Fairfield Union) Senior – W5
24. Kody Driggs (Morgan) Senior – C5
25. Andy Vu (Athens) Senior – W6
26. Bruno Spotleson (Poland Seminary) Junior – AL8
27. Devin Hessler (River Valley) Sophomore – BG8
28. Tony Kitchen (Urbana) Senior – W7
29. RJ Martin (Big Walnut) Senior – C6
30. Casey Parsons (Vincent Warren) Freshman – W8
31. Austin Baker (Clyde) Sophomore – BG9
32. Brody Price (Miami Trace) Senior – W9
33. Luke Miller (Philo) Senior – C7
34. Blake Silvis (Western Brown) Senior – W10
35. Chase Campbell (West Holmes) Junior – C8
36. Michael Keith (Medina Buckeye) Senior – BG10
37. Jake Taylor (Fairview) Senior – BG11
38. Frank Regalbuto (Orange) Junior – AL9
39. Nick Kubinski (Bay) Sophomore – BG12
40. Kennan Davis (Coventry) Junior – AL10

Skonieczny is my pick here at this very wide-open and exciting weight. I think anyone in the top four can win it on any given weekend. Skonieczny is my favorite, but did lose to Kaminski last year, so Kaminski could be in the mix. Lawson, a state placer in Kentucky last year, is also here and in the mix. Burcher is a three-time state placer and has taken some lumps throughout the year, but I still see him as a contender.

Skonieczny is the favorite at Alliance, but will be challenged by Kaminski and possibly Zemaitis. I see those three being above the rest of the field. Roginsky (Brooklyn) was ranked throughout the year at 132, but wrestled most of the year at 138. I have heard he will not be wrestling at sectionals, but if he does, he and Kubitz are the next best here. A couple other names to watch are Renton (Chagrin Falls) and Conley (Akron Kenmore).

Mossing is the favorite at BG, which looks like the weakest district at this weight. I see anyone in the top seven with the possibility of getting out here. Porter is a returning state qualifier, but did get pinned by Boggs. A few others to watch are Schuette (Wauseon), Franzen (Springfield Northwestern) and Miller (Napoleon).

Burcher looks like the clear favorite at Claymont, which appears to be the second toughest district behind Alliance at this weight, with 4 in the top 11. I lean heavily on the top four here to make it out.

Lawson is the favorite at Wilmington, followed by returning state runner-up, Bowshier. I see the top two being well above the field. The final two spots look wide open. Another name to watch is Davis (Indian Lake).

145-

- Projected Champ: Micah Jordan (Graham) Senior – W1
2. Beau Minnick (Clyde) Senior – BG1
 3. Heath Lange (Indian Lake) Senior – W2
 4. Caden Herron (Claymont) Senior – C1
 5. Spencer Nagy (Alliance) Junior – AL1
 6. Dalton Hartshorn (Minerva) Junior – C2
 7. Nick Wrobel (Crestwood) Junior – AL2
 8. Walter Gibson (Akron SVSM) Senior – AL3
 9. Andy Dobben (CVCA) Junior – AL4
 10. Tyler Weiderholt (Bellbrook) Sophomore – W3
 11. Zack Lake (Coventry) Junior – AL5
 12. Tyler Sowards (Kenton Ridge) Junior – W4
 13. Jake Kluding (Norwalk) Senior – BG2
 14. Hunter Mcpeak (Ravenna Southeast) Sophomore – AL6
 15. Richard Jackson (Toledo Central Catholic) Sophomore – BG3
 16. Caleb Price (Chillicothe) Junior – W5
 17. Dillon Hunick (Greenfield McClain) Senior – W6
 18. Tristan Stallard (Carrollton) Senior – C3
 19. Tyler Cross (Geneva) Senior – AL7
 20. Derek Kuhlman (Lima Shawnee) Junior – BG4
 21. Seth Meyer (Defiance) Senior – BG5
 22. Ben Peterson (Oak Harbor) Junior – BG6
 23. Hunter St. Peter (Athens) Junior – W7
 24. Zach Carpenter (Sheridan) Junior – W8
 25. Chuck Mikelait (Lexington) Junior - BG7
 26. John Haines (Morgan) Junior – C4
 27. Bailey Jenkins (Meadowbrook) Sophomore – C5
 28. Colin Wilson (Monroe) Junior – BG8
 29. Nicholas Sbrocco (Perry) Junior – AL8
 30. Nick Flowers (Galion) Sophomore – BG9
 31. Roman Williams (Tiffin Columbian) Junior – BG10
 32. Zach Purdy (Granville) Senior – C6
 33. Danny Amato (Tallmadge) Senior – AL9
 34. Joey Frate (Lake Catholic) Senior – AL10
 35. Luke Roginsky (Brooklyn) Senior – AL11
 36. Logan Hickenbottom (Cambridge) Junior – C7
 37. Chris Jackson (Canal Fulton Northwest) Junior – AL12
 38. Efren Silva (River Valley) Senior – C8
 39. Josh Ryan (Perkins) Senior – BG11
 40. Clayton Glick (New Lexington) Freshman – W9

Micah Jordan is the obvious favorite and is set to be the 26th OHSAA four-time state champ. He will be the fourth four-timer in his family. He has committed to wrestle for the Buckeyes next year and will be back with his brother, Bo, who also was a four-time state champ.

Nagy looks to be the slight favorite at Alliance, but this weight is wide open. Wrobel missed the

first half due to having to sit out because of the new transfer rules. Gibson and Dobben both have quite a few losses this year; Dobben could be here or at 138. I favor the top four above the rest of the field. A few others to watch are Drain (West Geauga), Brown (Harvey) and Williams (Canfield).

Minnick exits BG as the clear favorite. Next best here is Kluding, who seems to have vastly improved from last year. It seems like Norwalk has a few guys like that this year. I see the next two spots as being wide open. Another name to watch is Calliccoat (Tippecanoe).

Herron and Hartshorn look to be on their own tier at the Claymont district. Next best is Stallard, a returning state qualifier, whom recently just dropped to 145, which doesn't really make much sense when looking at the depth here at 152. I think the last spot is up for grabs amongst Haines, Jenkins and Purdy. Another name to watch is Livingston (Steubenville).

Jordan is the obvious favorite and could wrestle Lange in back-to-back-to-back weekends in the finals at sectionals, districts and state. Weiderholt looks to be third best here and has improved a lot since last year. I like Sowards to take the final spot, but Price and Hunick could change that.

152-

Projected Champ: Alex Mossing (Toledo Central Catholic) Senior – BG1

2. David Brian Whisler (Howland) Junior – AL1
3. Blake Miller (Clyde) Senior – BG2
4. Jeff Hojnacki (CVCA) Senior – AL2
5. Mason Correll (Tiffin Columbian) Senior – BG3
6. Garrett Jordan (Graham) Sophomore – W1
7. Andrew Dunn (Hamilton Ross) Senior – W2
8. Kenon Bowling (Western Brown) Senior – W3
9. Reyse Wallbrown (Indian Lake) Senior – W4
10. Connor Rogers (Springfield Northwestern) Junior – BG4
11. Collin Rollison (River Valley) Senior – C1
12. Justin Gildar (Orange) Senior – AL3
13. Cory Williams (Greenon) Junior – W5
14. Jack Peura (Tippecanoe) Sophomore – BG5
15. John Szep (Lake Catholic) Sophomore – AL4
16. Derrick Lowe (Lima Bath) Senior – BG6
17. Marcus Howells (Crestwood) Junior – AL5
18. Evan Schenk (Perry) Freshman – AL6
19. Ben Knaus (Akron SVSM) Sophomore – AL7
20. Robbie Bowers (Defiance) Freshman – BG7
21. Eric Fasnacht (Padua) Sophomore – AL8
22. Michael Repko (Vermillion) Senior – BG8
23. Kevin Scruders (Cambridge) Senior – C2
24. Steven Fearnow (Amanda Clearcreek) Senior – C3
25. Andy Garwood (Celina) Senior – BG9
26. Steven Murray (Urbana) Senior – W6
27. Peter Bonds (Bellbrook) Senior – W7

28. Taeven Bellamy (Sandusky Perkins) Senior – BG10
29. Joe Siesel (Tallmadge) Junior – AL9
30. Ethan Fout (Licking Valley) Freshman – C4
31. Christopher Linton (Logan Elm) Senior – W8
32. Sean Meaney (Bay) Senior – BG11
33. Connor Fleming (Chagrin Falls) Senior – AL10
34. Ian Standen (Brookside) Senior – BG12
35. Drake Barnett (Galion) Sophomore – BG13
36. Quincy Harvey (Kenmore) Junior – AL11
37. Rob Alcorn (West Geauga) Senior – AL12
38. Niko Moray (Steubenville) Sophomore – C5
39. A.J Parr (Lexington) Senior – BG14
40. Justice Avery (Claymont) Sophomore – C6

Mossing is the favorite at this collection weight between Jordan and Marinelli; Mossing is a returning state champ at 138. I see Whisler and Miller as serious challengers and possibly Hojnacki too, if at 100%.

Whisler is the favorite at Alliance, but could be challenged by Hojnacki. I see the last two spots being wide open. Gildar is my sleeper here and could open some eyes. I have Szep getting the fourth spot, but guys like Howells, Schenk, Knaus and Fasnacht should be in the mix as well.

Mossing is the obvious favorite at BG, which is toughest district at this weight. I see Mossing and Miller in the top tier, followed by state placer Correll on the next tier. I like Rogers over Puera for the fourth and final spot. Another name to watch is Hennig (Oak Harbor).

Claymont is the weakest district at this weight and this is probably the weakest weight at Claymont. I think Stallard should move back here, as he would contend for a district title. Rollison is my only wrestler in the top 12 and by a wide margin. This weight is wide open!

Wilmington is also a wide open district at this weight, but does look to be much tougher than Claymont. I have four ranked in the top nine. I see the top four here being above the rest of the field and hopefully the brackets allow it. A couple other names to watch are Klintworth (Athens) and Dickson (Marietta).

160-

- Projected Champ: Alex Marinelli (Graham) Sophomore – W1
2. Ben Schram (Bellbrook) Junior – W2
 3. Kordell Ford (Hillsboro) Senior – W3
 4. Tony Rupert (Marlington) Junior – AL1
 5. Lucas Beauch (Toledo Central Catholic) Junior – BG1
 6. Matt Ludwig (Lake Catholic) Junior – AL2
 7. Alonzo Turner (Harvey) Senior – AL3
 8. Jordan Radich (Howland) Junior – AL4
 9. Dain Steffeny (Granville) Senior – C1
 10. Alex Kenner (Upper Sandusky) Senior – BG2

11. Tre Campbell (Wauseon) Sophomore – BG3
12. Hannibal Tate (Mifflin) Senior – C2
13. Caleb Horn (Amanda Clearcreek) Senior – C3
14. Cole Smith (Tippecanoe) Junior – BG4
15. Owen Shoemaker (London) Senior – C4
16. Aldin Leaker (Eaton) Senior – BG5
17. Travis Grooms (Miami Trace) Junior – W4
18. Brendan Scherer (River View) Junior – C5
19. Cameron Winters (Perry) Senior – AL5
20. Ricky Kollman (Crestwood) Junior – AL6
21. Troy Stalder (Athens) Senior – W5
22. Jordan Dalton (Lexington) Senior – BG6
23. Anthony Audi (Poland) Sophomore – AL7
24. Dom Ruma (Bay Village) Senior – BG7
25. Cristian Collins (Chillicothe) Junior – W6
26. Ryan McCullough (Padua) Junior – AL8
27. Mike Dyer (Norton) Senior – AL9
28. Kian Thompson (Oak Harbor) Freshman – BG8
29. David Eippert (West Geauga) Senior – AL10
30. Mason McCane (Washington CH) Sophomore – W7
31. Zach Garrett (Lima Bath) Junior – BG9
32. Mason Hughes (West Branch) Junior – AL11
33. Kyle Woods (Streetsboro) Senior – AL12
34. Derrick Foster (Clearview) Senior – BG10
35. Austin Brooks (Carrollton) Junior – C6
36. Eric Fox (Cambridge) Senior – C7
37. Logan Gordon (Sheridan) Senior – W8
38. Luke Matthews (Springfield Shawnee) Junior – W9
39. Landon Zambarrano (Unioto) Senior – W10
40. Tyrique Sharpe (Sandusky Perkins) Sophomore – BG11

Marinelli is the clear favorite to repeat. He won by dramatic fashion last year by pinning Williams in the finals. Marinelli does have some notable competitors in Schram and Ford, but I don't see him having much trouble; Schram had a very good Super 32, placing 5th. Ford was a state qualifier last year, but was unable to compete, I think due to sickness.

Rupert is the favorite at Alliance after a beating Deluse a couple weeks ago. I see this weight overall being wide open across the state in this division after the top three. Alliance looks to be the toughest district at this weight, with four projected placers. I favor the four projected placers here above the field by quite a bit. Dyer could be here or at 170. He has made 160, but has seen a lot more action at 170 since then. Another name to watch is Chenot (Coventry).

Beauch comes in as the favorite at BG after his performance at CIT's, having beat Ludwig in the finals, 3-1. Beauch does have a loss to the inconsistent Grooms, who is ranked sort of low. Kenner and Campbell look to also be in the mix to win the district. I see the top three here on their own tier. The fourth spot looks wide open amongst Smith and the streaky Leaker.

Steffeny, a state qualifier two years ago, is the favorite at Claymont. This district projects for no state placers once again, but I see it having a chance at getting a few placers here. I like Tate, Horn and Shoemaker to get the next three spots. Scherer is a kid who also could be in the mix amongst those three. Another name to watch here is Barber (Lisbon Beaver).

Wilmington is by far the toughest district at this weight, with the top three all exiting here. I see the fourth spot coming down to Grooms and Stalder. Another name to watch is Bays (Carlisle).

170-

Projected Champ: Seth Williams (Tiffin Columbian) Senior – BG1

2. Aaron Schuette (Wauseon) Senior – BG2
3. Jimmy Sandlin (Carlisle) Senior – W1
4. Alec Schenk (Perry) Senior – AL1
5. Russell Miller (Miami Trace) Junior – W2
6. Zeck Lehman (Revere) Junior – AL2
7. Lane Thomas (Graham) Senior – W3
8. Dylan Hefner (Lima Shawnee) Sophomore – BG3
9. LJ Henderson (Indian Lake) Senior – W4
10. Zach Gibson (Bloom Carroll) Senior – C1
11. Mike Audi (Poland) Senior – AL3
12. Kaz Struna (Lake Catholic) Senior – AL4
13. Matt Dennis (Claymont) Senior – C2
14. Dalton Jones (Hamilton Ross) Junior – W5
15. Brock Nagel (Bryan) Senior – BG4
16. Austin Robbins (Tippecanoe) Junior – BG5
17. Brendon Winning (Ravenna) Junior – AL5
18. Alec Eisnnicher (Big Walnut) Senior – C3
19. Alex Tetzloff (Sandusky Perkins) Senior – BG6
20. Will Navin (Granville) Senior – C4
21. Tye Smith (Washington CH) Junior – W6
22. Dallas Lazear (Athens) Senior – W7
23. Mack White (Amanda Clearcreek) Senior – C5
24. Rocco Baker (Oakwood) Senior – W8
25. Kyle Myers (Canal Fulton Northwest) Sophomore – AL6
26. Chris Hughes (Dayton Carroll) Senior – BG7
27. Joe Reindfleisch (Bellefontaine) Senior – BG8
28. Max Furst (Benedictine) Junior – BG9
29. Joseph Fornaro (West Geauga) Sophomore – AL7
30. Anthony Arroyo (Maumee) Senior – BG10
31. Chris Cook (Coventry) Sophomore – AL8
32. Demetrius Tabler (Woodridge) Junior – AL9
33. Branden Jones (Steubenville) Junior – C6
34. Jim Brittsan (Buckeye Valley) Senior - C7
35. Garrett Davis (Marietta) Junior – W9

36. Jake Rusher (Hebron Lakewood) Senior – C8
37. George Pahoundis (Cambridge) Senior – C9
38. Brandon Phelps (Franklin) Junior – W10
39. Griffon McKinnis (Gallia Academy) Senior – W11
40. Sam Allen (New Lexington) Sophomore – W12

Williams, a returning state runner-up, is my pick here. This has the makings to be a very exciting weight class. I think anyone in the top five has a chance to win it. Schenk could be here or 182; I think 182 is the better option after beating Adkins already this year.

Schenk is the favorite at Alliance, a weight that I think has four kids who stands out amongst the rest of the district. Lehman beat Thomas in a dual earlier this year and could be a high placer in Columbus. Audi is next best here after recently dropping to 170. I see Struna taking the fourth and final spot.

Williams and Schuette exit BG as the top dogs. They both would be seeded away from each other if they were at separate districts, but they still should be on opposite sides in Columbus. I like Hefner to take the third spot. I think the fourth spot comes down to returning state qualifier Nagel and Robbins. Tippecanoe seems to have many fringe guys.

Gibson is the slight favorite at Claymont over Dennis, who hasn't put together consistent results so far this year. I have been high on both the past two years and think both have the ability to place in Columbus. I like Eisnicher, who has missed some time this year after qualifying last year, and Navin to take the final two spots. However, White, who sports an impressive record, could also find his way into the top four.

Sandlin is the favorite at Wilmington, which is probably the toughest district at this weight. Miller is also here. He was unable to compete in the post-season last year, but I had him ranked pretty high. I like Thomas and Henderson for the final spots over Jones; all three were state qualifiers last year. A couple others to watch are Jarrell (Wilmington) and Logsdon (Talawanda).

182-

- Projected Champ: Jack Harris (Urbana) Sophomore – W1
2. Aaron Adkins (Akron SVSM) Senior – AL1
 3. Jacob Worthington (Keystone) Junior – BG1
 4. Drew Kasper (Lexington) Junior – BG2
 5. Nick Svarda (Carlisle) Sophomore – W2
 6. Ahmad Khatib (Revere) Senior – AL2
 7. Stan Socha (Canfield) Senior – AL3
 8. Colt Crall (Claymont) Senior – C1
 9. Jhulyis Monroe (Marion Franklin) Senior – C2
 10. Dylan Hermes (Sandusky Perkins) Senior – BG3
 11. Jake Hartman (Padua) Senior – AL4
 12. Hayden Bronne/Kavan Sarver (Graham) – W3
 13. Chase Sayers (Hamilton Ross) Sophomore – W4
 14. Mitchell Wells (Richmond Edison) Junior – C3

15. Colin Kaucher (Toledo Central Catholic) Junior – BG4
16. Nick Jackson (Norwood) Junior – W5
17. Tobin Anderson (Washington CH) Junior – W6
18. Evan Hickey (Wilmington) Senior – W7
19. Tristan Jones (Buckeye Local) Sophomore – C4
20. Shane Helsinger (Eaton) Senior – BG5
21. Tyler Gumbert (Archbishop McNicholas) Senior – W8
22. Ian Czanik (Dayton Carroll) Senior – BG6
23. Steve Frazier (Philo) Senior – C5
24. Carson Johnson (Talawanda) Junior – W9
25. Jarrod Elrod (Ashtabula Edgewood) Junior – AL5
26. Alex Nori (Franklin) Senior – W10
27. John Mercer (Cambridge) Junior – C6
28. Marquez Franks (Kenmore) Junior – AL6
29. Nate Gissingner (Canal Fulton Northwest) Sophomore – AL7
30. Landon Hall (Wapakoneta) Freshman – BG7
31. Alec Vonier (Wauseon) Senior – BG8
32. Ian Blackwood (Napoleon) Junior – BG9
33. Eli Osborne (Defiance) Sophomore – BG10
34. Gavin Saul (Bryan) Junior – BG11
35. Cody Wright (Bay) Senior – BG12
36. Phillip Golden (Indian Lake) Junior – W11
37. Tanner Walker (New Lexington) Junior – W12
38. Alex Bunnell (Vinton County) Sophomore – W13
39. Cahle Puhl (Maumee) Junior – BG13
40. Justin Reynolds (Gallia Academy) Sophomore – W14

Adkins is the returning state champ here, but is not my pick to repeat. I like Harris here, who had a great summer and has added to that with a great start to the season. He has beaten my D1 #1, McLaughlin, at Ironman, 4-3. He also beat Robinson earlier in the year as well. I see this as a two-man race unless Schenk moves back up. Schenk has already beaten Adkins, so why not move back here.

Adkins exits Alliance as the favorite of the toughest district at this weight, with four in the top seven. I favor the top four here slightly above Hartman. Another name to watch is Adkins (Streetsboro).

Worthington and Kasper both exit BG as the top dogs. Hermes is next best here. Kaucher is my pick to get the fourth spot. He has missed quite a bit of time during the season as I hear he almost didn't wrestle this year; he has done very well when in the lineup. Another couple names to watch are Arndts (Tippecanoe) and Witt (Clyde).

Crall exits as the slight favorite over Monroe. Crall seems to have improved greatly since last year and he is my only projected state qualifier here. Monroe is one of my favorites to watch, he's very quick. I see any of the next four catching those final two spots. I could definitely see some shifting to this weight.

Harris is the obvious favorite at Wilmington and Svarda, who I was high on last year as a freshman, follows him. I like whomever the starter is for Graham to get to Columbus, as it seems they always produce at districts. Whoever makes it out for them will probably help add to their margin of victory in Columbus. I see the last spot wide open, but I slightly favor Sayers. Another wrestler to watch here is McAllister (Belmont).

195-

- Projected Champ: Bailey Faust (Lexington) Junior – BG1
2. Isaiah Margheim (Sandusky) Junior – BG2
3. Clayton Bullard (Johnstown-Monroe) Senior – C1
4. Tyler MacLellan (CVCA) Senior – AL1
5. Blake Owens (Licking Valley) Senior – C2
6. Josh Couchman (Graham) Junior – W1
7. Kyle Kremiller (Perry) Junior – AL2
8. Tyler Rowland (Streetsboro) Senior – AL3
9. Kenny Jackson (Crestwood) Senior – AL4
10. Marshall Messer (Clyde) Sophomore – BG3
11. Jordan Leasure (Amanda Clearcreek) Sophomore – C3
12. Tyler Dodd (Carrollton) Junior – C4
13. Lance Leto (Norwalk) Senior – BG4
14. John Workman (Sandusky Perkins) Senior – BG5
15. Jeremiah Jones (Miami Trace) Junior – W2
16. Colton Brown (Wapakoneta) Junior – BG6
17. Michael Gregory (Toledo Central Catholic) Junior – BG7
18. Jon Brace (Lake Catholic) Senior – AL5
19. Andy Eckhart (Field) Senior – AL6
20. Syllas Smith (Kenton) Junior – BG8
21. Cody Jenkins (Woodridge) Junior – AL7
22. Dylan Robertson (Upper Sandusky) Senior – BG9
23. Nate Gray (Claymont) Junior – C5
24. Grayson Miller (West Holmes) Senior – C6
25. Tony Banister (Wauseon) Freshman – BG10
26. Tony Adkins (SVSM) Senior – AL8
27. Nick Antalis (Cambridge) Senior – C7
28. Isaac McFann (New Lexington) Senior – W3
29. Tristan Mallory (Port Clinton) Junior – BG11
30. Jarett Bunch (Canfield) Sophomore – BG12
31. Jarred Lynch/James Ritchie (Carlisle) Senior – W4
32. Wyatt Hilliard (Franklin) Freshman – W5
33. Aaron Greer (Washington CH) Sophomore – W6
34. John Miscuk (East Liverpool) Senior – C8
35. Austin Guthrie (River Valley) Senior – C9
36. Matthew Todd (Eaton) Sophomore – BG13
37. Travis Darago (Tallmadge) Junior – AL9
38. Logan Fritz (Minerva) Sophomore – C10

39. Shane Dodd (Tippecanoe) Junior – BG14
40. Thomas Baker (Revere) Freshman – AL10

Faust is my pick at this weight, but it seems to be a wide open. I can see anyone in the top eight or nine winning it all. Margheim does have state final experience, which could help. MacLellan has put together a very solid season and could be right there Saturday night.

MacLellan exits Alliance as the favorite of one of the toughest districts at this weight. Kremiller is next best here. I have heard rumblings that Kremiller could end up at 182, but I'm not sure he can make it because he's pretty big. I like Rowland and Jackson to get the final two spots. Rowland beat Jackson in a dual about a month ago, by either two or three points.

Faust and Margheim both exit BG, which means if they finish one and two at BG they will be on opposite sides in Columbus. Messer is third best here and will only get better as he matures into the upper weights. The fourth spot looks wide open, but I like Leto or Workman to get it. Workman could be challenged by Ozzie Hermes for his spot in the Perkins lineup.

Bullard and Owens exit Claymont as top dogs -- Bullard has beaten Owens already this year. I like the very athletic and returning state qualifier, Leasure, and fellow returning qualifier, Dodd, to get the final two spots.

Couchman is the clear favorite at Wilmington. I see Jones clearly as the second best here. The final two spots look wide open. I think two of the final four ranked at district make it out, maybe even someone not ranked in the top 40 can sneak out.

220-

- Projected Champ: Sean Rutherford (Norton) Junior – AL1
2. Harrison Hoppel (Minerva) Senior – C1
 3. Garrett Harding (Claymont) Senior – C2
 4. Troy Caldwell (Jonathan Alder) Junior – C3
 5. Kordell Chaney (Sandusky Perkins) Sophomore – BG1
 6. Beau Swank (Benjamin Logan) Senior – BG2
 7. Deakon McCoy (Galion) Junior – BG3
 8. Dustin Baker (Sparta Highland) Junior – C4
 9. Devin King (Sheridan) Senior – W1
 10. Austin Bentley (Carrollton) Senior – C5
 11. Mason Hilling (Woodridge) Senior – AL2
 12. Chris Williams (Harvey) Senior – AL3
 13. Tylor Prichard (Upper Sandusky) Senior – BG4
 14. Mike Bell (Howland) Junior – AL4
 15. Michael Crockett (Franklin) Junior – W2
 16. Reece Human (Carlisle) Freshman – W3
 17. Chris Norwood (Toledo Central Catholic) Junior – BG5
 18. Jacob Esarco (Canfield) Sophomore – AL5
 19. Allen Viancourt (Benedictine) Senior – AL6
 20. Daylen Neece (Meigs) Junior – W4

21. John Byus (Gallia Academy) Senior – W5
22. Luke Larson (John Glenn) Senior – C6
23. Cole Genders (Amanda Clearcreek) Junior – C7
24. Kenny Golovan (Orange) Senior – AL7
25. Brandon Truhn (Perry) Junior – AL8
26. Ivan Mendoza (Brookside) Junior – BG6
27. Mario Bell (Thurgood Marshall) Senior – BG7
28. Ben Higgins (Marlington) Sophomore – AL9
29. Adontis Watson (Alliance) Senior – AL10
30. Kyle Lhamon (Lima Bath) Sophomore – BG8
31. Michael Meadows (CVCA) Senior – AL11
32. Darnay Foley (Batavia) Junior – W6
33. Stephen Woodward (Field) Junior – AL12
34. Matthew Beniard (Bay) Junior – BG9
35. Ben Stegbower (Bishop Fenwick) Junior – BG10
36. Tim Howard (Bloom Carroll) Senior – C8
37. Brandon Garber (Oak Harbor) Sophomore – BG11
38. Josh Mason (Padua) Junior – AL13
39. Keith Griffin (River Valley) Sophomore – C9
40. Aaron Leciejewski (Greenon) Sophomore – W7

Rutherford is the favorite here, but will be challenged. I like everyone in the top seven to have the capability to win it all. I have heard rumblings, or shall I say “BRUMblings,” that Brumley (Akron SVSM) could drop to 220. I would put him in the top five somewhere and add him to the contenders list.

Rutherford exits Alliance as the clear favorite unless Brumley does drop. I see returning state qualifier Hilling as next best here. Williams, an undersized 220, has had a very good season. He even won the Solon Comet Classic. Bell is my pick to get the fourth spot after recently dropping for 285.

Chaney looks to be the slight favorite to win BG. He will be challenged by Swank, a returning state qualifier, and McCoy, also a state qualifier last year, but McCoy was in division three. Pritchard, an undersized but athletic 220, who has wrestled at 182, looks to be fourth best here. Norwood is my sleeper at this weight. Another name to watch is Corbin (Clyde), who is also an undersized, but athletic 220.

Hoppel is the favorite at Claymont after beating Dennis in a dual meet last week. This district projects to have four state placers and is the toughest district at this weight. Caldwell is third best and probably in the top tier with Hoppel and Dennis. I like Baker for the fourth spot, as he is one of my sleepers. He lost to McCoy, 4-3, in overtime. Another name to watch is Lee (Bexley).

King exits as the favorite at Wilmington, a district in which I project zero state placers. I see Crockett and Human on the next tier and both should qualify. The last and final spot looks wide open amongst Neece and Byus, both have beaten each other this year. Another name to watch is Major (Indian Lake).

285-

- Projected Champ: Billy Miller (Perry) Senior – AL1
2. Chase Henderson (Franklin) Senior – W1
3. Dre’k Brumley (Akron SVSM) Junior – AL2
4. Logan Sharp (West Branch) Senior – AL3
5. TJ Lawrence (Oak Harbor) Junior – BG1
6. Evan Loughman (Sheridan) Junior – W2
7. Kostas Parrish (University School) Senior – AL4
8. Cody Hawkins (Ravenna) Senior – AL5
9. J’Quan Fisher (Toledo Central Catholic) Junior – BG2
10. Kyle Henry (Claymont) Senior – C1
11. Josh Rohrabacher (Sandusky Perkins) Senior – BG3
12. Jacob Smith (Minerva) Senior – C2
13. Brandon Pahl (Vincent Warren) Junior – W3
14. Jacqui Van Meter (Licking Valley) Sophomore – C3
15. Gavin Peacock (Hamilton Ross) Senior – W4
16. Eddie Kontual (Sparta Highland) Senior – C4
17. Charles Broderick (Bellbrook) Senior – W5
18. John Glas (Norton) Senior – AL6
19. Josh Kempf (River View) Senior – C5
20. Curtis Burns (Canfield) Senior – AL7
21. David Krauss (Ravenna Southeast) Senior – AL8
22. Grant Moyer (Bellevue) Junior – BG4
23. David Praul (Buckeye Valley) Junior – C6
24. Cody Martsolf (Lisbon Beaver) Senior – C7
25. Colin Mange (Clyde) Junior – BG5
26. Nate Temple (Lexington) Junior – BG6
27. Colton Anderson (Norwalk) Senior – BG7
28. Caleb Neal (Lima Bath) Senior – BG8
29. Logan Ferrell (Tippecanoe) Sophomore – BG9
30. Corbin McCune (Springfield Shawnee) Senior – W6
31. John Seibert (Defiance) Junior – BG10
32. Jamez Young (Sandusky) Freshman – BG11
33. Justin Klupp/Mike Holzworth (Madison Comprehensive) – BG12
34. Jacob Packwood (Bloom Carroll) Junior – C8
35. Dylan Trefz (Greenfield McClain) Senior – W7
36. Tyler Howard (Chillicothe) Senior – W8
37. Timo Anderson (Bowling Green) Senior – BG13
38. Ben Cipa (Tallmadge) Junior – AL9
39. Devon Jones (Wauseon) Sophomore – BG14
40. Seth Gerken (Napolean) Junior – BG15

Billy Miller is the obvious favorite here after winning it last year. I don’t see him really being challenged on his way to repeat.

Miller exits Alliance as the obvious favorite, a very tough district. I project five placers here, which is obviously not possible. If Brumley is down at 220, like I previously stated, that could help this jumbled up weight. Glas could also be in the mix as he recently beat Hawkins, 12-10.

Lawrence is the favorite at BG, but he has struggled a little this year. He looks to be the clear favorite, so I don't see him struggling to make it back to Columbus. Fisher and Rohrabacher are on the next tier. Fisher seems to be vastly improved from last year and Rohrabacher is a returning state qualifier. I see the fourth spot as being wide open, but I do favor Moyer slightly above the rest.

Henry looks to be the favorite at Claymont after recently beating Smith, 5-2. Henry has improved greatly from last year and has beaten both Lawrence and Rohrabacher this year. I see the last two spots being wide open, but favor Van Meter and Kontual for the final two spots here.

Henderson exits as the favorite at Wilmington. The other projected placer from this district, Loughman, could challenge him. Henderson and Loughman both look to be on a different level compared to the rest of the district. I look for Pahl, Peacock or Broderick to get the final two spots here.

Division 2 Team Projections

Rank	School	Points	State Champs	State Placers	State Qualifiers
1	Graham	210	4	11	12
2	Claymont	119	2	7	10
3	Akron SVSM	78	1	5	5
4	Toledo Central Catholic	76	1	5	8
5	Perry	72	1	5	5
6	CVCA	51	0	3	4
7	Lake Catholic	48	1	3	5
8	Lexington	47	1	2	5
9	Bellbrook	40	0	2	3
10	Clyde	39	0	2	3
11	Wauseon	38	0	2	3
12	Padua	34	0	3	4

Division 3

Garfield Hts. - GH	Bowling Green - BG
Troy - TR	Heath - HE

106-

Projected Champ: Drew Mattin (Delta) Freshman – BG1

2. Hunter Bray (Dayton Christian) Sophomore – TR1
3. Sebastian Vidika (Black River) Senior – GH1
4. Shane Johnston (Tuslaw) Junior – GH2
5. Joey Bowen (Manchester) Sophomore – GH3
6. Jake Adkins (Johnstown Northridge) Junior – HE1
7. George Clemens (Wayne Trace) Sophomore – TR2
8. Stan Bleich (Elyria Catholic) Freshman – GH4
9. Gregory Quinn (Shadyside) Freshman – HE2
10. Luke Buxton (Dixie) Sophomore – TR3
11. Brandon Neikerk (Cardinal) Sophomore – GH5
12. Christian Wellman (Waynedale) Sophomore – GH6
13. Alex Rhine (Mechanicsburg) Freshman – TR4
14. Brad Trescott (Rootstown) Freshman – GH7
15. Damian Demilio (Genoa Area) Sophomore – BG2
16. Jordan Burkholder (Crooksville) Senior – HE3
17. Dominic Rosin (SMCC) Freshman – BG3
18. Damon Keister (Milbury Lake) Senior – BG4
19. James Kaniarz/Max Wolfe (Milan Edison) – BG5
20. Justin Gibbs (Clinton-Massie) Junior – TR5
21. Dakota McCloskey (Girard) Freshman – GH8
22. Kyle Denier (Blanchester) Freshman – TR6
23. Connor Ryan (Covington) Sophomore – TR7
24. Thomas Schnitker (Woodmore) Junior – BG6
25. Kaden Moore (Willard) Junior – BG7
26. Jared Fahrer (Evergreen) Freshman – BG8
27. Andrew Meyer (Coldwater) Freshman – TR8
28. John Harris (Margaretta) Sophomore – BG9
29. Noah Maynard (North Union) Sophomore – HE4
30. Trey Combs (Cuyahoga Hts.) Freshman - GH9
31. David Grant (Delphos Jefferson) Freshman – TR9
32. Colton Bethel (Ridgewood) Freshman – HE5
33. Matt Seifert (Utica) Freshman – HE6
34. Sidney Salinas (Paulding) Senior – BG10
35. Ryan Matthews (Fredericktown) Freshman – HE7
36. Kyle Davis (Marion Pleasant) Freshman – HE8
37. David Staten (West Jefferson) Freshman – HE9
38. Devon Emlinger (Ada) Freshman – TR10

- 39. Thomas Campbell (Martins Ferry) Junior – HE10
- 40. Luke Wulf (Bishop Hartley) Sophomore – HE11
- HM. Cody Welch (Nelsonville-York) Sophomore – HE12

I think this weight is a little more wide open than people think. There are returning state placers, Bray 3rd, Vidika 4th, Johnston 6th, Bowen 7th and Adkins 8th, all last year at 106. Mattin is my pick here and has been very impressive this year as a freshman. He beat Bray at Brecksville, 2-1, in the finals. There are two other wrestlers with state experience here, Clemens and Burkholder. This weight also has three freshmen who were junior high state placers in Bleich, Rhine and Quinn. Quinn was a placer as a 7th grader.

Vidika is the slight favorite at Garfield, which is by far the toughest district at this weight with 7 in the top 13. I think Vidika, Johnston and Bowen are above the rest of the field here. I see the fourth spot being a little more wide open. Bleich has split time at 106 and 113, I think we'll see him at 106. Neikirk and Trescott also have split time at 106 and 113. The other serious contender I see for the fourth spot is Wellman, who bursted up the rankings after his performance at Marion Harding. I'm not sure if Wellman will for sure be the starter at 106, Tyler Wirth is also at 106 for Waynedale. I would slide Wirth in the same spot as Wellman.

Mattin exits Bowling Green as the clear favorite. It doesn't look to have much depth, but with how many top 13 spots are occupied by Garfield kids, BG could end up having two or three placers. Demilio has been at 113 most of the year, but I have heard he will be here, which will be very beneficial after how tough 113 looks at BG. I look for two of the following three to get the final spot: Rosin, Keister and whomever the starter is for Edison, which I think it will be Kaniarz.

Adkins is the favorite at Heath, but Quinn will challenge him. I see Burkholder as a very solid pick for the third spot. He has state experience and with him possibly finishing top three at district, he could be a state placer in Columbus even though he's ranked fairly low. The fourth spot here looks wide open. I like Maynard slightly above the rest. Another name to watch here is Welch (Nelsonville-York).

Bray is the clear favorite at Troy after beating Clemens pretty handily last year at districts. Clemens looks above the rest of the field and should be the number two here, well, if the brackets allow it unlike last year when they met in the semi-finals. I like Buxton and the undersized Rhine to get the final two spots. I have heard that Davies is no longer wrestling. Gibbs is a sleeper here after recently cutting to 106. Denier and Ryan are other serious contenders after doing very well at LCC.

113-

- Projected Champ: Jacob Speiss (Delta) Sophomore – BG1
- 2. Christian Clary (Dayton Christian) Senior – TR1
- 3. Evan Ulinski (Woodmore) Senior – BG2
- 4. Damian Short (Archbold) Junior – BG3
- 5. Kris Hill (Bishop Hartley) Junior – HE1
- 6. Alex Smith (SMCC) Junior – BG4

7. Michael Sergent (Troy Christian) Freshman – TR2
8. Brady Barnett (Milan Edison) Freshman – BG5
9. John Smith (Mapleton) Sophomore – GH1
10. Mitchell Tikkanen (Jackson-Milton) Junior – GH2
11. Louis DeMarco (Hawken) Junior – GH3
12. Kolten Martin (Riverdale) Senior – BG6
13. Juan Estrella (Willard) Senior – BG7
14. Brysen Mansor (Huron) Junior – BG8
15. Mitchell Skeleres (Pymatuning Valley) Freshman – GH4
16. Tanner Bey (Versailles) Freshman – TR3
17. Drew Fiorenza (Mariemont) Freshman – TR4
18. Jay Uhlenhake (Coldwater) Sophomore – TR5
19. Alex Timko (St. Clairsville) Sophomore – HE2
20. Harrison Gallagher (Greeneview) Sophomore – TR6
21. Dustin Taylor (Wayne Trace) Senior – TR7
22. Gavin Stalnaker (Belpre) Sophomore – HE3
23. Martin Steinberger (Tinora) Junior – BG9
24. Chet Swatzmiller (Hopewell-Loudon) Junior – BG10
25. Noah Kadas (Cuyahoga Hts.) Senior – GH5
26. Trenton Schar (Norwayne) Freshman – GH6
27. Arron Caprella (Allen East) Freshman – TR8
28. Jacob Downs (Wellington) Senior – GH7
29. Cameron Paulus (Milton Union) Freshman – TR9
30. Dalton Leightner (Rootstown) Freshman – GH8
31. Coleman Ryan (Covington) Sophomore – TR10
32. Tyler Wetzel (Mechanicsburg) Freshman – TR11
33. Mason Kidd (West Salem Northwestern) Sophomore – GH9
34. Isaac Elliot (Tuslaw) Freshman – GH10
35. Brandon Carbenia (Sandy Valley) Senior – HE4
36. Gavin Miglets (Brookfield) Sophomore – GH11
37. Andy Hammonds (Danville) Senior – HE5
38. Deryk Sammet (Carey) Senior – BG11
39. Ethan Phillips (Steubenville Catholic Central) Freshman – HE6
40. Brock Moreland (Mount Gilead) Sophomore – HE7

Speiss is the favorite here, but I expect him to be challenged again this year. Speiss won last year in overtime over Ulinski. Clary also fell in the state finals at 113. Short is another kid that has challenged Speiss in the past, but eligibility is up in the air and he may not be wrestling at sectionals. Clary will most likely have to beat both Ulinski and Speiss to win a state title, as he will be separated from the BG district winner. This puts the runner-up on his side, and that is if Clary wins his district as well.

Garfield has no projected state placers, but BG will only have four qualifiers. Smith beat Tikkanen last year in the match-to-go. Smith also beat DeMarco in the consolation quarterfinals and those three look to be above the rest of the field at Garfield. Skeleres, a freshman, is my choice to get the fourth spot, but he did recently lose to Trescott, so I think we could see Trescott

move here and Leightner drop to 106 for Rootstown. A couple other names to watch here are Kadas (Cuyahoga Hts.) and Oslavac (Girard).

Bowling Green is absolutely brutal to say the least. The district has 8 in the top 14 with five projected placers, which is obviously not possible; too bad they can't move some kids to Heath. This weight could be slimmed down a bit with Short's status uncertain and Mansor possibly done for the year as well. Another name worth noting is Seals (Paulding).

Kris Hill is the clear favorite at Heath. I don't see him being challenged and he could possibly get bonus along the way unless someone moves here. This doesn't look like a very strong weight to say the least. Stalnaker was a state qualifier last year at 106, recently losing to Timko 8-3. Carbenia is my pick for the fourth spot here, but I see all of the spots after Hill wide open. With so many spots wide open, here are a few other names to follow: Ross (Northmor), Jackson (Columbus Africentric), Holley (Johnstown Northridge), Stoneburner (Paint Valley) and Asbury (North Union).

Clary, a senior and three-time state placer, is the clear favorite here. I like Sergeant to get the second spot and possibly end up on the podium in Columbus. The final two spots look wide open. I see any one of the following four ranked wrestlers in the district to fill the last two spots, as they seem to be on their own tier. A few other names to watch here are Monebrake (Preble Shawnee), Rodriguez (Lincolnview), Martin (Delphos St. John's) and Johnson (Williamsburg).

120-

- Projected Champ: Garrett Hancock (Troy Christian) Junior – TR1
- 2. Evan Cheek (Milan Edison) Junior – BG1
- 3. Kyle Keller (Delta) Senior – BG2
- 4. Michael May (Dayton Christian) Junior – TR2
- 5. Tyler Sarreshteh (Liberty-Benton) Junior – BG3
- 6. Aric Peters (Bethel-Tate) Junior – TR3
- 7. Brendan Fitzgerald (Grandview Hts.) Sophomore – HE1
- 8. Joe Newman (Sandy Valley) Senior – HE2
- 9. Carson Mills (Fredricktown) Junior – HE3
- 10. Jett Heldenbrand (Hillsdale) Junior – GH1
- 11. Tyler Rogers (Margaretta) Senior – BG4
- 12. Cory Pucci (Cuyahoga Hts.) Senior – GH2
- 13. Joe Tromba (VASJ) Sophomore – GH3
- 14. Devon Dunbar (Northwood) Junior – BG5
- 15. Tyler Goodpaster (Deer Park) Junior – TR4
- 16. McKinley Screech (Dayton Chaminade-Julienne) Junior – TR5
- 17. Tony Paolucci (Rootstown) Sophomore – GH4
- 18. Kyle Behringer (Ayersville) Senior – BG6
- 19. JD Reisinger (Swanton) Sophomore – BG7
- 20. Ruger Goeltzenleuchter (Wayne Trace) Freshman – TR6
- 21. Zach Meyer (Archbold) Junior – BG8
- 22. Nathan Henry (Versailles) Sophomore – TR7
- 23. Jake Johnson (Tuslaw) Junior – GH5

24. Sean McKinley (Hawken) Junior – GH6
25. Nick Miller (Mechanicsburg) Sophomore – TR8
26. Rodney Richter (Monroe Central) Junior – HE4
27. Tyler Wiley (Caldwell) Sophomore – HE5
28. Josh Kahl (Shadyside) Freshman – HE6
29. Jacob Supina (SMCC) Junior – BG9
30. Charlie Davis (Fairless) Junior – GH7
31. Donnie Starkey (Toronto) Sophomore – HE7
32. Joe Livengood (Norwalk St. Paul) Junior – BG10
33. John Brodman (Tiffin Calvert) Sophomore – BG11
34. Austin Slarb (West Salem Northwestern) Sophomore – GH8
35. Michael Wilson (Waynedale) Sophomore – GH9
36. Theodore Zoumpoulidis (Martins Ferry) Junior – HE8
37. Timmy McIntyre (Blanchester) Junior – TR9
38. Gunnar Lucius (Delphos St. John's) Junior – TR10
39. Matt Church (Milbury Lake) Junior – BG12
40. Reilly Heater (Sherwood Fairview) Freshman – BG13

Hancock comes in as a slight favorite over Cheek; Hancock is a returning state champ and Cheek is a returning state placer in Division 2. Keller and May are two other kids that I think could be finalists. May recently took Cheek into overtime. Some people think Hancock will go 126 and challenge his former teammate, Ganger, which would be a battle of state champions as they both won titles at the same school. I'm guessing that would be a first in OHSAA history, but I don't see Hancock moving up.

Heldenbrand is the favorite at Garfield, which I project no state placers. Heldenbrand was a state qualifier last year and also lost to Mills at the JC Gorman tournament. Pucci, a state alternate last year, looks to be second best here, followed by Tromba. Paolucci is my choice to get the fourth spot, but I don't see anyone as a "lock" except for possibly Heldenbrand.

Cheek, Keller and Sarreshteh seem to be above the rest of the field and all could place very high in Columbus. I like Rogers to get the fourth spot. He is a two-time state qualifier and is looking to finally get on the podium in his third trip. Dunbar, Behringer and Reisinger seem to be in the next tier.

Fitzgerald is the slight favorite to win the district, a pretty solid weight compared to some at Heath. This weigh could possibly have three state placers. The fourth spot looks wide open. I will pick someone from the OVAC, as the rest of the ranked kids are all from the same conference.

Hancock is the favorite here, with May as second best. Troy Christian and Dayton Christian did wrestle each other this year in a dual, but the two did not wrestle. Peter is a dark horse here after dropping to Division 3. I see the fourth spot being wide open. I look Goodpaster slightly above the rest.

126-

- Projected Champ: Jarred Ganger (Covington) Junior – TR1
2. Zack Durbin (Mapleton) Senior – GH1
 3. Noah Mattin (Delta) Freshman – BG1
 4. Caleb Ohl (Newark Catholic) Senior – HE1
 5. TJ Malkus (Berkshire) Senior – GH2
 6. Colton Ullman (Loudonville) Junior – GH3
 7. Zach Alvarado (CHCA) Senior – TR2
 8. Matt Mangen (Versailles) Senior – TR3
 9. Mitchell Matheney (Riverdale) Junior – BG2
 10. Buddy Limes (Otsego) Junior – BG3
 11. Tim Mecklenburg (Lutheran West) Junior – GH4
 12. Nate Frye (Cuyahoga Hts.) Senior – GH5
 13. Hunter Napier (Fairless) Sophomore – GH6
 14. Gabe Santa-Rita (Edgerton) Junior – BG4
 15. Frankie Alvarado (Ayersville) Senior – BG5
 16. Kyle Cayse (West Salem Northwestern) Sophomore – GH7
 17. Josh Clary (Dayton Christian) Sophomore – TR4
 18. Evan Offenberger (Sandy Valley) Senior – HE2
 19. Alex Neuberger (Milan Edison) Freshman – BG6
 20. Jake Gutierrez (Springfield Catholic Central) Sophomore – TR5
 21. Alan Hayhurst (Newcomerstown) Senior – HE3
 22. Austin Singleton (Barnesville) Senior – HE4
 23. Trevor Bowman (Arcadia) Senior – BG7
 24. Sean Taylor (Montpelier) Senior – BG8
 25. Dillan Galehouse (Waynedale) Junior – GH8
 26. Jarret Logan (Tuslaw) Senior – GH9
 27. David Forrester (Harrison Central) Senior – HE5
 28. Trenton Macke (Deer Park) Junior – TR6
 29. Austin Wilson (Archbold) Freshman – BG9
 30. Trevor Reed (New London) Sophomore – BG10
 31. Jonny Wheeler (Northwood) Sophomore – BG11
 32. Ethan Ice (Marion Pleasant) Junior – HE6
 33. Seth Hayes (Rootstown) Sophomore – GH10
 34. Ian Maund (Black River) Freshman – GH11
 35. Spencer Seibert (Coldwater) Sophomore – TR7
 35. James Eppich (Centerburg) Sophomore – HE7
 36. Cody Rhoads (Grand Valley) Freshman – GH12
 37. Dakota Ward (Cardinal) Senior – GH13
 38. Tristan Greene (Blanchester) Freshman – TR8
 39. Skylar Brown (Woodmore) Freshman – BG12
 40. Wyatt Place (Delphos Jefferson) Freshman – TR9

Ganger is my pick here, despite losing to Ohl at LCC. I like anyone in the top four, with all having a chance to win at this point, or at least it seems with Ganger recently losing. Ganger is a returning state champ that has missed some time due to transferring. I think he will be ready come March and it's also tough to pick against a state champ. Durbin also has state finals

experience, losing two years ago to Sammy Gross at 113. Mattin is a tough freshman to watch, who can wrestle with anyone here. Maybe the experience by March helps him here; he's a key piece for the Delta's team title hopes.

Durbin exits Garfield as the favorite. Malkus isn't too far behind, but it seems like he has suffered from injuries the past few years. He was a state qualifier two years ago, but got injured and hopefully he can find himself on the podium in Columbus. Ullman is third best here and could be in the mix to place in Columbus, again. He finished 8th last year at 113 and was a state qualifier the year before at 106. I see the last spot being wide open, while three guys seem to stick out above the rest: Mecklenberg, Frye and Napier. Frye could be here or at 132, but I think 132 is a better option for all three of the guys mentioned.

Mattin looks to be the clear favorite at Bowling Green. I see Matheny and Limes on the next tier to get the two and three spots. The final spot looks to be between Alvarado and Santa-Rita. Alvarado is a two-time state qualifier and did place two years ago at 113, but Santa-Rita did beat him by major decision recently, 12-3.

Ohl is the clear favorite at Heath. I think he gets bonus on his way to a district title. Offenberger looks to be second best here, while he has split time at 120 and 126 due to Newman "dictating his weight" which could be a good thing looking at the field here. The last two spots look wide open. Hayhurst and Singleton look to be slightly above the rest of the field here. Forrester and Ice are on the next tier.

Ganger is the obvious favorite at Troy. Alvarado also projects as a state placer here. Mangen, down a weight class from last year, is the third wrestler here with state experience after qualifying last year at 132. The fourth spot looks wide open. Clary would be huge for Dayton Christian in the team race and does seem to be above the rest of the field slightly here. Another name to watch is Sampson (Columbus Grove).

132-

- Projected Champ: Sammy Gross (Beachwood) Senior – GH1
2. Major Moore (Willard) Senior – BG1
3. Ryan Ford (Covington) Sophomore – TR1
4. Dustin Marteney (Delta) Sophomore – BG2
5. Lyle Plummer (Dayton Chaminade-Julienne) Senior – TR2
6. Wes Fritz (Norwalk St. Paul) Junior – BG3
7. Bobby Bowen (Manchester) Senior – GH2
8. Trenton Soto (Otsego) Junior – BG4
9. Evan Francis (Kirtland) Junior – GH3
10. Cody Ohmneiss (Troy Christian) Junior – TR3
11. Austin Lang (Waterford) Senior – HE1
12. Seth Bell (Dayton Christian) Junior – TR4
13. Mason Robson (Collins Western Reserve) Senior – BG5
14. Bobby Stewart (Union Local) Sophomore – HE2
15. Hunter Pizzino (Harrison Central) Junior – HE3

16. Mason Harsar (Elyria Catholic) Senior – GH4
17. Steve Pozz (Bishop Ready) Senior – HE4
18. Jeremy Fletcher (East Knox) Junior – HE5
19. Cole Ziegler (Ridgewood) Junior – HE6
20. Daniel Gough (Stivers) Senior – TR5
21. Brandon Bates (Genoa Area) Junior – BG6
22. Adam Deatrick (Paulding) Senior – BG7
23. Jason Sadler (Rootstown) Sophomore – GH5
24. Jacob Maynard (Johnstown Northridge) Sophomore – HE7
25. Dan Stoll (Milan Edison) Freshman – BG8
26. Jarrod Bowman (Arcadia) Junior – BG9
27. Blake Kiedrowski (Steubenville Catholic Central) Senior – HE8
28. Tristen Stiltner (Hillsdale) Junior – GH6
29. Kyle Blanton (Mount Gilead) Sophomore – HE9
30. Sam Neer (Northmor) Junior – HE10
31. Damien Schmeltz (Gibsonburg) Junior – BG10
32. Hunter Collier (Blanchester) Freshman – TR6
33. Zane Chase (Girard) Senior – GH7
34. Brandon Vander Mass (Berkshire) Senior – GH8
35. Kody Shreve (Ayersville) Senior – BG11
36. Taylor Young (Marion Pleasant) Sophomore – HE11
37. Brennen Alverson (Coshocton) Sophomore – HE12
38. Henry Elling (Liberty Center) Senior – TR7
39. Tyler Tebbe (Coldwater) Sophomore – TR8
40. Lukas Rufenacht (Archbold) Sophomore – BG12

Gross is the favorite here and is a three-time state placer. He finished 3rd in 2011 & 2013 and was a state champ in 2012. I think anyone in the top five can contend for the title.

Garfield projects to have two state placers in Gross and Bowen. Francis is third best here and recently dropped to 132. After those three, I see the fourth spot wide open. I suggest any 126 or 138 to drop here. Harsar has had a standout year. Both he and Sadler look to be in the mix for the fourth spot, but Sadler could be at 138, as I hear the cut is tough. A couple other names to watch here are Naim (Lutheran West) and Waddell (Tuslaw).

Bowling Green looks clearly to be the toughest here with four projected state placers. I think Moore and Marteney are on a different level than the rest of the field. Fritz, a returning state placer, looks to have a repeat performance in Columbus. Soto looks to be fourth best here, as he was a state qualifier last year. Robson looks to be fifth best. Another name to watch here is Cole (New London).

Austin Lang looks to be the favorite at Heath, a weight that has zero projected placers, but still have 6 in the top 19. I see Lang being above the rest, but the other 5 in the top 19 are in the mix for the next three spots. A couple other names to watch are Pelletier (Utica) and Thatcher (Centerburg).

Ford and Plummer look to be above the rest of the field at Troy as both are serious contenders in Columbus. Third best here is Ohmneiss. He transferred from Graham this year and I hear he will be down at 132 after wrestling the second half of the year at 138; he missed the first half due to transferring. I have Bell as the fourth best here and also would be huge for Dayton Christian to have him wrestling in Columbus. This weight doesn't have much depth after the top four. Gough looks to be next best.

138-

Projected Champ: Kaleb Romero (Mechanicsburg) Freshman – TR1

2. Josh Weber (Loudonville) Junior – GH1
3. Brad Wardell (Waynedale) Senior – GH2
4. Alex Becker (Dayton Christian) Senior – TR2
5. Grant Rathburn (Bishop Hartley) Senior – HE1
6. Kenny Price (Archbold) Senior – BG1
7. Chance Marthey (Tuslaw) Junior – GH3
8. Kameron Rayner (Caldwell) Senior – HE2
9. Evan Hansel (Newark Catholic) Senior – HE3
10. Justin Chew (Mogadore) Senior – GH4
11. W.D. Hudson (VASJ) Senior – GH5
12. Derek Gross (Norwalk St. Paul) Freshman – BG2
13. Corey Hawk (Dixie) Senior – TR3
14. Dalton Scott (Bishop Ready) Senior – HE4
15. Max Reeder (Genoa Area) Senior – BG3
16. Grant Fidler (Monroeville) Senior – BG4
17. Jacob Spino (Independence) Junior – GH6
18. Cody Charvat (Berkshire) Senior – GH7
19. Lance Miller (Covington) Freshman – TR4
20. Austin Rush (Miami East) Senior – TR5
21. Christian Valentine (Delta) Senior – BG5
22. Dalton Burns (Milan Edison) Freshman – BG6
23. Riley Henderson (Mariemont) Senior – TR6
24. Tim Violet (Madison Plains) Senior – HE5
25. Mike Calvert (Kirtland) Junior – GH8
26. Ed Sigurani (Girard) Senior – GH9
27. Jesse Blake (Garaway) Senior – HE6
28. Hobie Howler (Barnesville) Sophomore – HE7
29. Brett Kahl (Shadyside) Sophomore – HE8
30. Jordan Brewer (Preble Shawnee) Senior – TR7
31. Damian Vitt (Hopewell-Loudon) Sophomore – BG7
32. Jordan Obringer (Coldwater) Junior – TR8
33. Austin Glosser (Otsego) Sophomore – BG8
34. Zander Wright (West Jefferson) Senior – HE9
35. Cole Bellows (Spencerville) Junior – TR9
36. Ryan Morr (West Salem Northwestern) Junior – GH10
37. Josh Campbell (Summit Country Day) Freshman – TR10
38. Justin Siefker (Delphos St. John's) Junior – TR11

39. Nathan Kennedy (Fairless) Sophomore – GH11
40. Brandon Soules (Allen East) Sophomore – TR12

Romero looks to be the favorite with Hoskins no longer here. This is a very, very deep weight for D3 standards. Wardell wrestled very well at Marion Harding, but then lost a week or two later to Weber. If I had to pick anyone to possibly upset Romero, it would be one of those two.

Wardell and Weber both exit a very loaded Garfield district, with 5 ranked in the top 11. I would suggest some kids move to 132 or 145. I see Wardell and Weber on a different tier here and I can see any of about six or seven kids getting the final two spots. Spino is the biggest sleeper here. He has beaten a very tough Montgomery (Madison/D1) this year. Another name to watch is Vasiloff (Lutheran West), a very big 138.

Rathburn exits Heath as the favorite to win the district, a district that looks pretty tough for Heath standards, with 4 ranked in the top 14. I project two placers here, Rathburn and Rayner. Rayner placed 7th last year at this weight. Third best here is Hansel. He was a highly touted freshman, but has failed to put together a full season; I think he can place in Columbus. Hansel beat Scott, a two-time state qualifier, 15-3. Scott looks to be fourth best here. Violet, another returning state qualifier, looks to be the odd man out.

Romero is the favorite at Troy, a very tough district as well. Becker looks to be second best here. Exiting the same district as Romero could help his draw in Columbus and could be a finalist because of it. Hawk, a returning state qualifier at this weight, is third best here, but has struggled this year. I see the last spot coming down to three kids: Miller, Rush or Henderson.

145-

- Projected Champ: Nick Vestal (Dayton Christian) Sophomore – TR1
2. Logan Day (Archbold) Senior – BG1
 3. Logan Lacure (Greeneview) Sophomore – TR2
 4. Reid Stanley (Waynedale) Sophomore – GH1
 5. Jesse Beverley (Delta) Freshman – BG2
 6. Jamie Baldrige (Northmor) Senior – HE1
 7. James Handwerk (Lutheran West) Freshman - GH 2
 8. Zach Steiner (Norwayne) Freshman – GH3
 9. Mason Kooser (Dayton Chaminade-Julienne) Senior – TR3
 10. Chase Mayabb (Milton Union) Sophomore – TR4
 11. Anthony Walden (Beachwood) Senior – GH4
 12. Joe Ziegler (Mechanicsburg) Junior – TR5
 13. Ricky Ratcliff (West Jefferson) Senior – HE2
 14. Davey Tunon (Clinton Massie) Sophomore – TR6
 15. Luke Sorboro (Rootstown) Freshman – GH5
 16. Tony Rozzi (Woodmore) Senior – BG3
 17. Damon Little (Tuslaw) Junior – GH6
 18. James Wise (Martins Ferry) Senior – HE3
 19. Dan Law (Belpre) Junior – HE4
 20. Justis Brewer (Preble Shawnee) Senior – TR7

21. Zach Brodman (Carey) Junior – BG4
22. Andrew Caris (Eastwood) Sophomore – BG5
23. Tommy King (Huron) Sophomore – BG6
24. Carter Casperd (Fairless) Junior – GH7
25. Bruce Seifert (Beallsville) Senior – HE5
26. Zac Sowers (Union Local) Senior – HE6
27. Marcus Hummel (Brookville) Senior – TR8
28. Nathan Moore (Genoa Area) Senior – BG7
29. Tim Williamson (Mount Gilead) Junior – HE7
30. Dylan Hall (Elmwood) Sophomore – BG8
31. Tyler Staton (Jackson Milton) Senior – GH8
32. David Monturi (Wickliffe) Junior – GH9
33. Brett Vonderwall (Delphos St. John's) Freshman – TR9
34. Reece Kaiser (Coldwater) Senior – TR10
35. Sean Vasquez (Fremont St. Joseph) Senior – BG9
36. Cory Kowatch (Mapleton) Junior – GH10
37. Austin Moore (National Trail) Sophomore – TR11
38. Patrick Jordan (Waterloo) Sophomore – GH11
39. Antonio Vasquez (Gibsonburg) Sophomore – BG10
40. Trevor Andrews (Deer Park) Senior – TR12

This is one of the more wide open weights in Division 3. I see the top three all with the capability of winning it. Vestal, my pick here, is a transfer from Florida. He beat Day at Marion Harding in overtime. Day and Lacure both were state runner-ups last year, Day at 138 and Lacure at 120. Day will most likely have to be beat both Vestal and Lacure to win the title.

Stanley, a returning state placer at this weight, is the favorite at Garfield. Stanley did however just lose to Steiner, so maybe Steiner is the favorite to win the district. That being said, I like Stanley against the field. Another kid that is top three here is Handwerk, a very highly touted freshman that missed some time after Ironman, but has been wrestling well lately. I like Walden to get the fourth spot here. Sorboro, also a very good freshman, is fifth best. There are three solid freshman at this weight, all will probably be multiple state placers before their careers are over.

Day exits BG as the favorite. Beverley, another tough freshman at this weight statewide, is second best. I have heard that Beverley could be at 152 for team race purposes, as the climate looks a little easier there. If Beverley is at 152, I would suggest Valentine to move up to 145, as I show him being second or third best if here. Rozzi, who seems to have made huge strides since last year, looks to be third. I see the last spot being wide open amongst anyone I have ranked here.

Baldrige seems to be the favorite here, Ratcliff, a state placer two years ago, is also here but has struggled this year. I see those two being above the rest of the field. I like any of the next four ranked kids to get the last two spots. Another name to watch here is Palms (Fredericktown).

Vestal and Lacure are above the rest of the field here and are the only two projected placers, but this district has many on the fringe. Kooser, Mayabb, Ziegler and Tunon are the next four here. I

see two of them getting the final two spots. I have heard Mayabb will be here, even though he has wrestled as low as 132 this year. Another name to watch is Vermule (Delphos Jefferson).

152-

Projected Champ: Jacob Danishek (Dayton Christian) Senior – TR1

2. Dakota Mays (Nelsonville-York) Junior – HE1

3. Dakota Stanley (Waynedale) Senior – GH1

4. Austin Siemon (Deer Park) Junior – TR2

5. Deven Taylor (Margaretta) Junior – BG1

6. Jesse Gross (Norwalk St. Paul) Senior – BG2

7. Jake DeLorge (Lutheran West) Senior – GH2

8. Josh Horning (Waterloo) Senior – GH3

9. Clayton Davidson (Kirtland) Junior – GH4

10. Seth King (Hawken) Senior – GH5

11. Patrick Stover (Bishop Ready) Senior – HE2

12. Anthony DeCarlo (Springfield Catholic Central) Senior – TR3

13. Kealli Cummings (CHCA) Senior – TR4

14. Seth Knoll (Riverdale) Senior – BG3

15. Derek Gregan (West Salem Northwestern) Senior – GH6

16. Damian Boldman (Triad) Senior – TR5

17. Daniel Jennings (Covington) Senior – TR6

18. Robert Huston (Blanchester) Junior – TR7

19. Austin Martin (Delphos St. John) Senior – TR8

20. Garrett Grime (Archbold) Sophomore – BG4

21. Spencer Maddox (Huron) Senior – BG5

22. Chet Backiewicz (Centerburg) Senior – HE3

23. Nate Tommas (Monroeville) Junior – BG6

24. Trevor Sanshuck (Beachwood) Senior – GH7

25. Jerot Schill (Elyria Catholic) Junior – GH8

26. Crew Young (Newark Catholic) Sophomore – HE4

27. Logan Ammond (Tuslaw) Senior – GH9

28. Logan Hartman (Mechanicsburg) Senior – TR9

29. Mitchell Davidson (Eastwood) Sophomore – BG7

30. Seth Gaghen (Woodmore) Junior – BG8

31. Tre Wells (Marion Pleasant) Senior – HE5

32. Tyler Showalter (Wayne Trace) Junior – TR10

33. Bryce Coleman (Martins Ferry) Junior – HE6

34. Sam Strizzi (Independence) Senior – GH10

35. Ben Blechschmid (Berkshire) Junior – GH11

36. Cody Dingess (West Jefferson) Senior – HE7

37. Dylan Alwine (St. Clairsville) Freshman – HE8

38. Ethan Wiggers (Belpre) Senior – HE9

39. Chance Butcher (Plymouth) Junior – BG9

40. Danny Cervnik (VASJ) Junior – GH12

Danishek is the obvious favorite here. He is looking to become the 26th or 27th four-time state champion, depending on Micah Jordan. I don't see anyone challenging him here.

Stanley exits Garfield as the favorite of a pretty deep district at this weight state wide, 5 in the top 10. After Stanley, I see the next three spots coming down between the next four ranked here. DeLorge, who transferred from Avon, has wrestled very well this year; the move to D3 will help him. Horning, Davidson, Gregan and King are the next best here. I lean on two of those four to get the final two spots. King is a returning state placer, but did recently lose to Horning. Gregan, a previous state qualifier, has missed a lot of time this year. I see all four qualifiers here with the capability of placing in Columbus. Another name worth noting is Imhoff (Wellington).

Taylor and Gross are the top two at BG. Taylor was beating Gross by about 10 points, until Gross caught him and pinned him, so the lead was technically five points, I guess. I don't see Taylor blowing that kind of lead again, but I do see the match possibly being close. Knoll is third best here and is a returning state qualifier. I see the last and final spot coming down to Grime, Maddox and Tommas.

Mays exits as the favorite at Heath followed by Stover, who has been wrestling very well this year. I see those two being clearly above the rest of the field. The final two spots look wide open, but I do favor Backiewicz over the rest.

Danishek is the obvious favorite at Troy. This district is second toughest, behind Garfield. Siemon and DeCarlo are the next best here and both have state experience; Siemon was a state qualifier at 145 and DeCarlo placed 8th at 138. Cummings has been very impressive this year, he recently beat Jennings at LCC. Jennings also exits Troy as well and was a state qualifier last year at 145. Jennings also lost to Boldman for 3rd/4th at LCC. I think all four qualifiers here can place in Columbus. Huston and Martin are two other kids who could be in the mix here.

160-

Projected Champ: Austin Reese (Mechanicsburg) Senior – TR1

2. Kollin Moore (Norwayne) Junior – GH1

3. Tyler Fahrer (Delta) Senior – BG1

4. Zach Ladich (Rootstown) Senior – GH2

5. Chance Sonnenberg (Van Buren) Junior – BG2

6. Rob Mickey (Johnstown Northridge) Senior – HE1

7. Tegan McFadden (Paint Valley) Sophomore – HE2

8. Cameron Luther (Springfield Catholic Central) Senior – TR2

9. Jordan Hendrix (Otsego) Senior – BG3

10. Jacob Crosswell (Bishop Hartley) Junior – HE3

11. Ray Day (Reading) Senior – TR3

12. Tanner Topp (West Salem Northwestern) Senior – GH3

13. Kyle Ice (Waynedale) Freshman – GH4

14. Colton Jenkins (Cardington-Lincoln) Senior - HE 4

15. Cody Ross (Northmor) Senior – HE5

16. Myliek Green (Bellaire) Senior – HE6

17. Dylen Hartman (Cory-Rawson) Senior – BG4

18. Drew Braisel (Manchester) Junior – GH5
19. James Cupan (Girard) Senior – GH6
20. Will Martello (Bishop Ready) Senior – HE7
21. Caleb Stockmaster (Margaretta) Junior – BG5
22. Austin Windle (Ada) Junior – TR4
23. Skylar Brown (Lehman Catholic) Junior – TR5
24. Andrew Kitay/Gordon Hong (Beachwood) Senior – GH7
25. Mack Rose (Miami East) Junior – TR6
26. Lincoln Parsley (Archbold) Senior – BG6
27. Garrett Bethel (Ridgewood) Senior – HE8
28. Brandon Magee (Covington) Sophomore – TR7
29. Jacob Thompson (Triad) Sophomore – TR8
30. Ryan Cox (North Union) Senior – HE9
31. Josh Bracy (Bluffton) Senior – TR9
32. Jake Schmidt (Coldwater) Junior – TR10
33. Joe Datz (Madison Plains) Junior – HE10
34. Nick Tommas (Monroeville) Junior – BG7
35. Andrew Burgie (Columbus Grove) Junior – TR11
36. Alex Haunhorst (Delphos St. John's) Junior – TR12
37. Jordan Bidsall (Montpelier) Sophomore – BG8
38. Austin Delk (Brookville) Sophomore – TR13
39. Dustin Green (Tri-County North) Junior – TR14
40. Tytus Collins (Waynesville) Junior – TR15

Austin Reese is my slight favorite here at a very wide open weight. Up until a few weeks ago, I've seen this as a four-man race, but Moore sort of eliminated Ladich from the mix. Moore has beaten Ladich twice, both by major decision. The top three here all have state finals experience. Moore was a runner-up last year at 152, Reese and Fahrner were runner-ups in 2012. I think one of these past finalists finally get their title.

Moore exits Garfield as the clear favorite over Ladich, beating him twice, which I previously stated. After those two, I see Topp and Ice as the next best here. I have not seen Topp at 160, but Meek and Schaefer have dropped to 170 and 182 earlier in the year, so I'm assuming Topp ends up here. Braisel and Cupan are next best here. Braisel just recently beat Cupan by a point. Another name to throw in here is Lowery (Loudonville).

Fahrner is the clear favorite at BG. This looks to be a decent weight, with two projected placer, but Hendrix has beaten Sonnenberg this year, so he could easily find the podium in Columbus. I believe that was Sonnenberg's first appearance at 160. I see Hartman and Stockmaster as very viable fourth options here. A couple other names to watch here are Daniels (Edgerton) and Myers (Huron).

Mickey exits as the favorite at a pretty tough weight at Heath, with 6 in the top 16. McFadden is second best here and is a returning state qualifier. Crosswell has made huge strides this year and I would be shocked not to see him in Columbus. I see the last spot being wide open. Also, I wouldn't say McFadden is a guaranteed returnee to Columbus with how tough this weight is

here.

Reese exits Fairmont as the obvious favorite, this district lacks depth after him. I like Luther and Day to get the next two spots. Windle will be in the mix for the fourth spot, I feel like Ada recently just got a program a few years ago and could have a state qualifier this year.

170-

- Projected Champ: Ryan Harris (Beachwood) Senior – GH1
2. Zach Sullivan (National Trail) Junior – TR1
 3. Joey Meek (West Salem Northwestern) Senior – GH2
 4. Todd Miller (Delta) Senior – BG1
 5. Hayden Miller (Norwalk St. Paul) Junior – BG2
 6. Ben Miller (Covington) Junior – TR2
 7. Logan Snyder (Waynedale) Senior – GH3
 8. Wes Buettner (Delphos St. John's) Senior – TR3
 9. Nick Cardiero (Girard) Senior – GH4
 10. Ryan Green (Margaretta) Junior – BG3
 11. Jake Datz (Madison Plains) Senior – HE1
 12. Travis Pickering (Mapleton) Senior – GH5
 13. Brandon Breezley (Blanchester) Senior – TR4
 14. Leo Hermann (Steubenville Catholic Central) Senior – HE2
 15. Josh Green (Westfall) Senior – HE3
 16. Jared Pack (Centerburg) Junior – HE4
 17. Devon Bergeon (Ayersville) Senior – BG4
 18. BJ Ratcliff (Bethel-Tate) Sophomore – TR5
 19. Jake Wise (Elmwood) Senior – BG5
 20. Alec Gladwell (Columbus Grove) Senior – TR6
 21. Zach Jamieson (Brookfield) Senior – GH6
 22. Jonathan Carr (Dayton Christian) Senior – TR7
 23. Josh Kirby (Middletown Madison) Junior – TR8
 24. Zach Androw (Fairless) Senior – GH7
 25. Tyler Rozack (Genoa) Senior – BG6
 26. Dan Henline (Gibsonburg) Junior – BG7
 27. Tristan Myers (Hopewell-Loudon) Senior – BG8
 28. Kole Smith (Hannibal River) Senior – HE5
 29. Drew Lowery (Toronto) Sophomore – HE6
 30. Kenny Bement (Collins Western Reserve) Junior – BG9
 31. Matt McFarland (Union Local) Senior – HE7
 32. Johnny Dean (Northeastern) Junior – TR9
 33. David Bell (Archbold) Sophomore – BG10
 34. Kyle Gigandet (Versailles) Sophomore – TR10
 35. Blake Lawson (Tri-County North) Junior – TR11
 36. Doug Hicks (Lincolnview) Senior – TR12
 37. Adam Deatrick (Paulding) Junior – BG11
 38. Nick Bene (New London) Senior – BG12
 39. Grant Marshall (Mechanicsburg) Senior – TR13

40 Lane Foster (Northmor) Junior – HE8
HM. Cayden Hellyer (Miami East) Sophomore – TR14
HM. Kolton Dillon (Preble Shawnee) Sophomore – TR15
HM. Trevor Good (Brookville) Sophomore – TR16
HM. Dylan Hannah (Ada) Junior – TR17

Ryan Harris is the clear favorite here after winning a state title last year at 160. I don't see anyone really challenging him along his way to repeat. For those of you that read the rankings, yes, there are three Millers in the top six.

Harris is the obvious favorite at Garfield. I have Meek as the next best here, but he could be at 182 depending on Schaefer. Snyder, Cardiero and Pickering round out my top five here. Pickering is the lone one in that group to have state experience, but has struggled this year. Jamieson is in the six spot. He would have been a little higher in the overall rankings, but has recently missed some time due to injury. However, I have heard he will be back. I do suggest someone move to 182.

Todd Miller is the slight favorite to win BG. Other serious contenders are Hayden Miller and Ryan Green. This district seems wide open and it would be huge for Delta to get Miller out as a number one, unless they catch the Garfields Hts. 4th place finisher first round. Bergeron is my pick to get the fourth spot. He was a qualifier last year at 182, but has struggled this year, I think it is partially due to the change in weights. Wise is a sleeper here after not wrestling last year. McKelvey (Montpelier) is another name to watch here.

Datz is the favorite at a very weak district, to say the least. I project zero state placers, but whoever wins the district could probably place depending on the draw. Hermann is second best here. I see Green and Pack being above the rest of the field and expect the four already mentioned to make it out, bracket depending. A couple other names to watch here are Jula (Bishop Hartley) and Collison (Grandview Hts.).

Sullivan is the favorite at Troy, but could be challenged by the funky Ben Miller. I do see Buettner and Breezley being above the rest of the field, but the young Ratcliff is a name to watch and crack the top four. A few more names to watch here are Hellyer (Miami East), Dillon (Preble Shawnee), Good (Brookville) and Hannah (Ada).

182-

Projected Champ: Travis Linton (Rootstown) Senior – GH1
2. Armani Robinson (Greeneview) Senior – TR1
3. Kile Schaefer (West Salem Northwestern) Junior – GH2
4. Ryan Patchin (Delta) Junior – BG1
5. Dylan Williams (Brookville) Senior – TR2
6. Wyatt Dye (SMCC) Senior – BG2
7. Dom Johns (Coshocton) Junior – HE1
8. Logan Campbell (Ashland Crestview) Senior – BG3
9. Jack Staggs (Waynedale) Sophomore – GH3
10. Tim Hunkley (Collins Western Reserve) Senior – BG4

11. Mitchell Meeks (Newcomerstown) Senior – HE2
12. Devin Bouza (Tinora) Senior – BG5
13. Jamie Barrett (Belpre) Senior – HE3
14. Josh Bialosky (Beachwood) Freshman – GH4
15. Cole Draper (Mohawk) Freshman – BG6
16. Blake Heiss (Waterford) Junior – HE4
17. Tristan Devlin (Troy Christian) Junior – TR3
18. Colton Booth (Tri-County North) Junior – TR4
19. Rickey Bruce (Triad) Senior – TR5
20. Jacob Auld (Gibsonburg) Senior – BG7
21. Will Selhorst (Columbus Grove) Senior – TR6
22. Noah Beach (Ada) Junior – TR7
23. Tyler Baird (Genoa Area) Junior – BG8
24. Jeff Botts (Bethel-Tate) Sophomore – TR8
25. Corey Taylor (West Muskingum) Sophomore - HE5
26. Conan Nicely (Blanchester) Junior – TR9
27. Jake Burns (West Jefferson) Freshman – HE6
28. Corbin Mager (Hillsdale) Junior – GH5
29. Tim Young (Milan Edison) Junior – BG9
30. Robert Miller (Madison Plains) Senior – HE7
31. Brandon Reusser (Hannibal River) Senior – HE8
32. Chris Weck (Trinity) Senior – GH6
33. Trey Hampton (Bishop Hartley) Senior – HE9
34. Koltin Zimmerman (Archbold) Senior – BG10
35. Cole Howes (Harrison Central) Senior – HE10
36. Sheldon Archer (Caldwell) Freshman – HE11
37. Ray Leis (Dixie) Junior – TR10
38. Garrett Dudte (Mapleton) Junior – GH7
39. Tyler Foust (Delphos Jefferson) Junior – TR11
40. Travis McDaniel (Dayton Northridge) Sophomore – TR12

Linton, a returning state champ at 170, is the favorite here. Robinson is also here after dropping to 182 around the first of the year. He is a two-time state placer, 2nd in 2012 at 170 and 3rd at 182 last year. Robinson, who was my favorite at 195, dropped to 182 as he was weighing less than 182. I do like his chances better at 195.

Linton is the obvious favorite at Garfield, while Schaefer is second best if here. I like Staggs to get the third spot. After the top three, I see the final spot wide open. I favor Bialosky to get the fourth spot. Another name to watch here is Leasure (Girard). He has been at 170, but with Cardiero there he could end up here. I would suggest Jamieson to move here or anyone else on the outside looking in at 170 or 195.

Patchin exits BG as the slight favorite over Dye. Dye has been in and out of the lineup this year. I like Campbell to secure the third spot, but the fourth spot seems wide open. Hunkley and Bouza seem to be above the rest of the field. I think one of those two gets that final spot.

Johns seems to be the clear favorite at Heath, but he did lose to Devlin at Marion Harding. I like Meeks second best here, followed by Barrett and Heiss, both who have recently cut to 195. Taylor is another kid to watch here as he is very underrated. Another name to watch is Carmean (North Union).

Robinson and Williams exit Troy as the top two and it seems by a wide margin. I favor Robinson to win the district. I see the last two spots as wide open while anyone ranked here will be in the mix. A couple other names to watch at this wide open weight are Martin (Waynesville) and Forkner (Clermont Northeastern).

195-

- Projected Champ: Ryan Weber (Loudonville) Senior – GH1
2. AJ Ouellette (Covington) Senior – TR1
 3. Kyle Deiringer (Versailles) Junior – TR2
 4. Glenn Zaller (Grand Valley) Senior – GH2
 5. Tristan Anderson (Waynedale) Sophomore – GH3
 6. Jacob Campbell (Dixie) Senior – TR3
 7. Jack Huffman (Lima Central Catholic) Junior – TR4
 8. Mark Francis (Delta) Junior – BG1
 9. Hudson Cole (Sandy Valley) Senior – HE1
 10. Scott Wohlheter (Tuslaw) Junior – GH4
 11. Brandon Foughty (Wellston) Senior – HE2
 12. Isaac Sanford (Steubenville Catholic Central) Senior – HE3
 13. Moises Lopez (Willard) Senior – BG2
 14. Derek Ebbeskotte (Ottawa Glandorf) Senior – BG3
 15. Dylan Eberly (Hillsdale) Senior – GH5
 16. Dezmond Perkins (Southeastern) Senior – HE4
 17. John McClellan (Danbury) Senior – BG4
 18. Jose Caraballo (Columbia) Junior – GH6
 19. Payton Whitticar (Van Buren) Sophomore – BG5
 20. Mark Clifford (Paint Valley) Senior – HE5
 21. Eli Hammersmith (Archbold) Senior – BG6
 22. Kent Peterson (Patrick Henry) Freshman – BG7
 23. Dakota Valdez (Paulding) Junior – BG8
 24. Brad Byers (Arcanum) Senior – TR5
 25. John Racheter (Carey) Freshman – BG9
 26. Ryan Miller (Berkshire) Senior – GH7
 27. Nick Clune (Coldwater) Junior – TR6
 28. Brett Rossen (Hannibal River) Senior – HE6
 29. Sam Diamond (Beachwood) Senior – GH8
 30. Gabe Hill (Van Wert) Senior – TR7
 31. Donald Moore (Waynesville) Junior – TR8
 32. Tyler Krekeler (Bethel-Tate) Senior – TR9
 33. Zach Hackett (Brookfield) Sophomore – GH9
 34. Clay Polling (Caldwell) Sophomore – HE7
 35. Logan Raleigh (Reading) Senior – TR10

36. Jarod Woodland (Ada) Junior – TR11
37. Daniel Everett (Miami East) Sophomore – TR12
38. Chuck Basting (Edison) Senior – BG10
39. Carson Dye (SMCC) Sophomore – BG11
40. Caleb Meyer (Norwalk St. Paul) Senior – BG12

This looks like another wide open weight. Weber is my favorite here, having been high on him the last two years. I see Oullette and Deiringer as the next best. Oullette, a freak athlete and stud running back on the football team, beat Deiringer 5-3 earlier in the year at the GMVWA tournament. Anderson did give Weber a good match in a dual meet a few weeks ago. As stated before, this is a very wide open weight.

Garfield looks to be the second toughest district at this weight, behind Troy, with 4 in the top 10. I lean heavily on the top four here to get the four spots. I don't see Ebberly dropping to 182 with Mager there, maybe Caraballo drops to 182.

Francis enters as the favorite here. He has wrestled at 170, but I think we see him here for team purposes. Lopez is second best here. He has recently dropped from 220, a very good decision looking at the climate here. Ebbeskotte is an interesting story. He didn't wrestle last year, I believe due to injury, but could make it to Columbus. I see the fourth and final spot being wide open. Another name to watch here is Sowers (Mohawk). It seems like there has been over 100 Sowers that have wrestled for Mohawk.

Hudson Cole is the slight favorite at Heath, a very weak and wide open weight to say the least. Cole recently beat Wohlheter 6-1 at the SMCC duals, which bumped him way up. I like Foughty and Sanford to get the two and three spots here, as I see them on the next tier. I see the last spot coming down to Perkins or Clifford.

Troy is the toughest district at this weight, with four in the top seven. Oullette and Deiringer look to be slightly above Campbell and Huffman. Campbell has made huge strides since last year. I lean heavily on these four when looking at the district field.

220-

- Projected Champ: Jay Nino (Genoa Area) Junior – BG1
2. Carter Harris (West Jefferson) Senior – HE1
 3. Justin Post (Coldwater) Senior – TR1
 4. Adrian Harding (Greeneview) Senior – TR2
 5. Travis Jaramillo (Archbold) Senior – BG2
 6. Cody Carr (Brookville) Senior – TR3
 7. Dan Jones (Columbus Academy) Junior – HE2
 8. Seth Bloor (Wellsville) Junior – GH1
 9. Devin Richard (Delta) Sophomore – BG3
 10. Ben Sullivan (Nation Trail) Freshman – TR4
 11. Alex Stotter (Hawken) Junior – GH2
 12. Alex Scotton (Independence) Senior – GH3
 13. Cameron Conaway (South Central) Sophomore – BG4

14. Michael Furbee (St. Clairsville) Sophomore – HE3
15. Paully Flowers (Beachwood) Senior – GH4
16. Drake Reed (Margaretta) Junior – BG5
17. Mitch Murray (Norwayne) Senior – GH5
18. Bryan Jones (Cuyahoga Hts.) Senior – GH6
19. Alex Fry (Ayersville) Senior – BG6
20. Zach Sauber (Carey) Senior – BG7
21. Nicholas Wiseman (Elmwood) Sophomore – BG8
22. Michael McKinney (Reading) Senior – TR5
23. Tyler Brown (Ashland Crestview) Freshman – BG9
24. Henry Flores (Woodmore) Senior – BG10
25. Bobby Machna (Fremont St. Joseph) Sophomore – BG11
26. Cole Butler (Mohawk) Freshman – BG12
27. Caleb Tracy (Riverdale) Junior – BG13
28. Connor Davis (Orrville) Senior – GH7
29. Dustin McConnahea (Delphos Jefferson) Senior – TR6
30. Quinton Johnson (Marion Pleasant) Sophomore – HE4
31. Jared Crosswell (Bishop Hartley) Sophomore – HE5
32. Hayden Lowe (Belpre) Senior – HE6
33. Santos Miranda (Van Buren) Junior – BG14
34. Nathan Johns (Bucyrus) Senior – BG15
35. Brady Pitney (Ada) Senior – TR8
36. Brandon Cox (North Union) Freshman – HE7
37. Schuyler Muller (Westfall) Senior – HE8
38. Michael Mohollan (Mount Gilead) Sophomore – HE9
39. Ian Fries (Covington) Sophomore – TR9
40. Ryan Slone (Black River) Junior – GH8

Another wide open weight, I favor Nino slightly after beating the former favorite, Weber. Weber has since dropped to 195. I think anyone in the top five can win it on any given weekend.

Bloor is the favorite to win Garfield, a weight that only he is projected to place. After him, I see three of the next four ranked kids to get the final three spots. All seem about even. Stotter has beaten Scotton twice and Jones did catch and pin Scotton. Two other names to watch here are Ours (Smithville) and Fortune (West Salem Northwestern). Ours won their meeting this past weekend.

Nino looks to be the favorite at BG, but will be challenged by Jaramillo and Richard; both are in the top ten. Richard has big move ability and is never really out of a match, no matter the score. I have Conaway taking the four spot here, but I could see any of the first seven ranked here, all being in the mix.

Harris and Jones exit Heath as the top two, both moving up a weight from last year. Furbee looks to be above the rest of the field. I see him as third best. I see the fourth and final spot coming down to two kids, Johnson and Crosswell. Johnson beat Crosswell, 7-4, earlier in the year. Another name to watch here is Everett (Trimble).

Post, Harding and Carr all have the ability to win the Troy district. After those three, I favor the tough freshman Sullivan, to get the fourth spot, I do have the top four clearly above the rest in the rankings, but I do kind of see the fourth spot being open. Another name to watch here is Krouskop (Spencerville).

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Projected Champ: Patrik Garren (Bishop Ready) Senior – HE1

2. Ben Sexton (Garaway) Senior – HE2
3. Jacob Hanzel (Manchester) Senior – GH1
4. Cody Buckner (Genoa Area) Senior – BG1
5. Nate Jackson (Dayton Christian) Senior – TR1
6. Corey Durbin (Fremont St. Joseph) Senior – BG2
7. Chance Vellor (Delta) Sophomore – BG3
8. Matt Hunter (West Salem Northwestern) Senior – GH2
9. Jonathan Bodkin (Martins Ferry) Junior – HE3
10. Isaac Sexton (Van Buren) Junior – BG4
11. Connor Careless (Norwalk St. Paul) Senior – BG5
12. AJ Pinyard (Grandview Hts.) Senior – HE4
13. Logan Vandemark (Spencerville) Junior – TR2
14. Nate Schroeder (Delphos St. John's) Senior – TR3
15. Brandon Bennett (Patrick Henry) Sophomore – BG6
16. Charlie Smith (United) Senior – GH3
17. Justin Pfiester (Riverdale) Senior – BG7
18. Paul Deely (Independence) Junior – GH4
19. Jeremiah Koah (Westfall) Senior – HE5
20. Kelly Barthalow (Ridgewood) Junior – HE6
21. Norman Benjamin (Girard) Sophomore – GH5
22. Danaryl Green (Youngstown Liberty) Senior – GH6
23. Isaiah Harding (Greeneview) Freshman – TR4
24. Chad Demaree (Southeastern Local) Junior – HE7
25. Ben Ferguson (Miami East) Sophomore – TR5
26. Jordan Wolfe (Covington) Senior – TR6
27. Brian Kirk (West Jefferson) Senior – HE8
28. Shawn Shreves (Pymatuning Valley) Senior – GH7
29. Corley Lamb (Jackson-Milton) Senior – GH8
30. Grant Kinsinger (Liberty Benton) Junior – BG8
31. Adam Widder (Fairless) Junior – GH9
32. Tyler Thomas (Beachwood) Junior – GH10
33. Joseph Hatchett (Sherwood Fairview) Sophomore – BG9
34. Mitchell Hines (Ayersville) Senior – BG10
35. Billy Cadwallader (Williamsburg) Junior – TR7
36. Alec Kimball (Lima Central Catholic) Sophomore – TR8
37. Jacob Zimmerman (Orrville) Sophomore – GH11
38. Michael Knapp (Mechanicsburg) Sophomore – TR9

39. Hunter Hazlitt (Springfield Catholic Central) Freshman – TR10
40. Marty Nichols (Evergreen) Junior – BG11

Garren is the clear favorite here after winning the heavyweight state title last year. I see Sexton and Hanzel as his biggest challengers, but I do not see Garren losing.

Hanzel exits Garfield as the clear favorite, while Hunter is second best and a returning state qualifier. I see Hunter above the rest of the field, but this is heavyweight, so anything can happen. I like Smith and Deely to get the final two spots.

Bowling Green looks to be the second toughest district at this weight, behind Heath. I project three placers here in Buckner, Durbin and Vellor. I see anyone in the top three having the ability to win the district. Vellor missed half of the season due to transferring from Swanton. I see the fourth spot coming down to Sexton or Careless. Sexton pinned him in 45 seconds when they met at LCC, but Careless does have state experience. Bennett is a kid to watch if wrestling. He started the season, but I haven't seen any results for him recently and he didn't wrestle the second half of last season either, so his status is uncertain.

Heath looks to be the toughest district with the top two ranked guys exiting here. Bodkin looks to be third best and a possible placer in Columbus. I favor Pinyard slightly above the rest of the field here, but could be challenged by the former junior high stud, Koah. Barthalow is another kid in the mix to qualify.

Jackson is the clear favorite at Troy. A year ago, he was surprise qualifier and now is a legit heavyweight state wide. I favor Vandemark and Schroeder to be second and third best here. After the first three, I see the final spot wide open. I like Harding for the fourth spot here slightly above the rest, but wouldn't be surprised if anyone ranked took the fourth spot.

Division 3 Team Projections

Rank	School	Points	State Champs	State Placers	State Qualifiers
1	Delta	171	2	11	12
2	Dayton Christian	134	2	7	9
3	Covington	72	1	4	5
4	Waynedale	71	0	5	7
5	Archbold	55	0	4	6
6	Loudonville	53	1	3	3
7	Beachwood	53	2	2	5
8	Mechanicsburg	52	2	2	3
9	Greeneview	51	3	0	4
10	Genoa Area	43	1	2	4
11	Rootstown	40	1	2	2
12	West Salem NW	39	1	3	4