



BUCHANAN HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

August 30th, 2018

Dear Coach,

You are invited to attend the 17th Annual Zinkin Classic, **December 21st & 22nd, 2018** held at Buchanan High School in Clovis, CA. This is a 48-man bracket, true double elimination varsity tournament held on 9 mats with 3-sided digital clocks over two days. We will again have a large & small school team champion along with custom awards for all wrestlers earning 1st – 8th place.

The Zinkin Classic has become one of the premier wrestling tournaments in the western region. Twelve of the past Fifteen California State Team Champions began their season by participating in the Zinkin. Last year's tournament included 56 teams throughout the Western United States. Here is how the field fared at the 2017 California State Tournament:

- 5 State Champions & 9 Finalists
- 46 State Placers
- 139 State Qualifiers
- State Team Champions & 6 out of the top 12 overall

We are looking to add top tier teams that will improve upon these numbers, maintaining the Zinkin as California's best initial look at state contenders from all over!

Contracts have been sent out to the best teams in the Western United States, as well as the Midwest and back East, as we look to make the Zinkin a national caliber tournament. It is important to secure a spot for your team as soon as possible as we will only be taking the first 60 teams to sign and return their contract. Already we have top teams participating from around California and in nearby states, so look for the quality, top-end competition to continue to rise.

Our central location, combined with the Friday later start time (11am) and Saturday early end time (5pm), provides affordable travel as well as an early look at some of the best competition in and out of the state. If you would like to consider entering California's, and the Western United States', best early season tournament, please contact Gabe Flores at GabeFlores@cusd.com or call (559) 706-1503.

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9X Central Section Team Champions
1996-1998, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2016-2018

17X Conference Team Champions
1993-1998, 2000-2007, 2016-2018

**12 Top 5 Team Finishes at
California State Championships**

State Champions

Adam Tirapelle '96
Telly Sanders '98
Gerrard Contreras '01
Ryan Flores '06 & '07
Justin Arredondo & Andrew Balch '08
Durbín Lloren '15
Matthew Olguin, Ethan Leake & Zak Levatino '16
Cade Belshay '17
Anthony Montalvo '17 & '18
Maximo Renteria '18

Valley Champions

Sobaje '94 & Piero '94 & '95
Tirapelle & Sanders '96
Sanders & Lunn '97 & '98
Breceda '98, Silva & Fox '99
Weiner '00, Ingram '01-'02
Contreras & Goodman '01 & '02, Folmer '02
Schneider '04, Flores '05-'07
Velarde, Betancur, Boger & Parrish '06
Arredondo '06-'08, Done & Smith '07
Balch '07 & '08, West '08 & '09
Meredith, Waters & Papendorf '09
Hill '10, Arredondo '11, Hansen '13
Lloren, G. Gaxiola, A. Romero & Levatino '15-'16
E. Leake '15-17, Belshay '16-17,
Olguin '16-18, Villarreal '17
J. Romero & Montalvo '17 & '18
Renteria, C. Gaxiola & Ervin '18

State Placers

Piero '94, Breceda '96
T. Sanders '96 & '97, Mendez '97 & '98
Lunn & Baca '98, Ben Fox '98 & '99
Weiner & Estrada '00, Ingram '01 & '02
Contreras, Goodpaster, Folmer & Goodman '02
Fielding '04, Flores '05
Betancur & Arredondo '05 & '06
Boger '06, Done '07, West '08 & '09
Rodriguez, & Papendorf '09, Fabbian '09 & '10
Arredondo '09-'11, Marin '11, Cardenas '12
Lloren '13 '14 & '16, Francis '14-'15
A. Romero '14-'16, An '15, G. Gaxiola '15-'16
Villarreal, Belshay & Montalvo '16
J. Romero '16-'18, Olguin & E. Leake '17-'18
Deen, Ervin & Ortiz '17
H. Leake, C. Gaxiola & Zamilpa '18

National Champions

Adam Tirapelle '96
Chris Done '07
Abner Romero Jr '16
Matthew Olguin '16
Anthony Montalvo '16
Cade Belshay '17

National All-Americans

Sanders '98, Fox '99
Contreras & Ingram '02
Betancur '06
Flores, Papendorf, & Roberts '07
D. Lloren Jr '13-'16
Delacruz, Francis, Hansen,
A. Romero, G. Gaxiola & An '14
Sihavong, Villarreal & J. Romero '16
E. Leake '16 & '18, Deen '17
H. Leake & Peralta '18