



PAC-12 CONFERENCE

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STANFORD HOSTS 2020 PAC-12 WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 58th-annual Pac-12 Wrestling Championships will be held on Saturday, March 7 at Maples Pavilion, hosted by Stanford University. Six teams, led by defending Pac-12 Champion STANFORD and newcomer LITTLE ROCK, will vie for conference supremacy. At least one Pac-12 wrestler is ranked in the InterMat's Top 20 for all but two weight classes. The Pac-12 features eight wrestlers ranked among the top 10 in their respective weight classes: No. 10 **Brandon Courtney** (125), ARIZONA STATE; No. 3 **Real Woods** (141), Stanford; No. 9 **Jacori Teemer** (157), Arizona State; No. 3 **Shane Griffith** (165), Stanford; No. 7 **Josh Shields** (165), Arizona State; No. 9 **Anthony Valencia** (174), Arizona State; No. 9 **Kordell Norfleet** (197), Arizona State; No. 5 **Tanner Hall** (HWT), Arizona State. The first and second rounds, plus the consolation semifinals, will be streamed live on Pac-12.com. The championship rounds, which begin at 6 p.m. PT, will be televised live on Pac-12 Networks.

2020 PAC-12 WRESTLING STANDINGS

	Overall				Pac-12			
	W	L	T	PCT.	W	L	T	PCT.
Arizona State	15	2	0	.882	5	0	0	1.000
Stanford	11	4	0	.733	4	1	0	.800
Oregon State	8	6	0	.571	2	2	0	.500
CSU Bakersfield	7	6	0	.538	2	2	0	.500
Cal Poly	3	9	0	.250	0	4	0	.000
Little Rock	1	8	0	.111	0	3	0	.000

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Maples Pavilion, Stanford University

Saturday, March 7

Session I of Pac-12 Wrestling Championships

First and Second Rounds

8:30 a.m.	Doors Open
9:30 a.m.	Round 1
11:50 a.m.	Round 2
2:30 p.m.	Break - Pavilion cleared

Session II of Pac-12 Wrestling Championships

Consolation Semifinals, Championship Round

4:00 p.m.	Doors reopen
4:30 p.m.	Round 3
5:45 p.m.	Grand March
5:55 p.m.	National Anthem
6:05 p.m.	Championship Round (live on P12N) (awards given shortly after each event)
8:07 p.m.	Estimated start of team awards presentation

TOURNAMENT FIELD

There will be six institutions competing for the Conference Championship: Arizona State, Cal Poly, CSU Bakersfield, Little Rock, Oregon State, and Stanford.

TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets for the 2020 Pac-12 Wrestling Championships are available through the Stanford Ticket Office at 800-STANFORD (option 4).

TYPE

TYPE	Price
All-session Adult	\$25
All-session Youth/Senior	\$15
Single-session Adult	\$15
Single-session Youth/Senior	\$10
Single-session Students General Admission	\$5

COVERAGE

Competition on both mats of the first and second rounds, plus the consolation semifinals, will be streamed live on Pac-12.com. The finals will be televised live on Pac-12 Networks with the broadcast beginning at 6 p.m. PT. Results will be available after each match on the 2020 Pac-12 Wrestling Championships website: pac-12.com/wrestlingchamps

NATIONAL RANKINGS

NWCA/USA TODAY DIVISION I TOP-25

Feb. 25, 2020

Rank	School	W-L	Points
1	Iowa (14)	13-0	350
2	Penn State	12-2	334
3	NC State	15-0	323
4	Nebraska	11-3	309
5	Ohio State	10-4	292
6	ARIZONA STATE	15-2	260
7	North Carolina	14-03	253
8	Pittsburgh	10-4	244
9	Virginia Tech	11-3	238
10	Lehigh	12-3	237
11	Oklahoma State	13-3	236
12	Princeton	9-4	189
13	Minnesota	9-8	180
14	Wisconsin	11-6	165
15	Purdue	12-5	151
16	Northern Iowa	8-4	136
17	Army	10-3	127
18	Cornell	11-7	121
19	Campbell	11-2	92
20	Illinois	10-4	80
21	Iowa State	10-5	62
22	Michigan	7-6	58
23	Missouri	12-7	42
24	STANFORD	11-4	37
25	Rutgers	10-7	14

INTERMAT DIVISION I TOP-25 TOURNAMENT RANKINGS

Feb. 25, 2020

Rank	School	Points
1	Iowa	158.5
2	Penn State	103
3	Ohio State	78
4	Nebraska	56
5	Princeton	54.5
6	Wisconsin	53
7	Minnesota	49
8	NC State	48
9	Purdue	44
10	Oklahoma State	43
11	Northwestern	42
12	Lehigh	40.5
13	Iowa State	40
14	Northern Iowa	39
15	ARIZONA STATE	38
16	STANFORD	37
17	Michigan	34
18	Pittsburgh	33
19	Virginia Tech	30
20	Virginia	27.5
21	Cornell	25.5
22	Central Michigan	24
23	Campbell	21.5
24	North Carolina	21
25	Oklahoma	20.5

PAC-12 WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS PREVIEW

ARIZONA STATE

The Sun Devils have seven wrestlers nationally-ranked among the top 20 in the latest InterMat rankings. However, redshirt senior **Zahid Valencia**, three-time Pac-12 Champion and two-time NCAA Champion at 174, has been suspended indefinitely and his status for the Pac-12 Championships is to be determined. The All-American has posted a career record of 121-3. Four other Sun Devils have recorded 20 or more overall wins this season: **Brandon Courtney** (125, 23-5), defending Pac-12 Champion **Josh Shields** (165, 21-4), **Anthony Valencia** (174, 20-6), and **Tanner Hall** (HWT, 21-3). ASU ended the dual season 15-2 with seven top-25 wins and four top-15 wins. The win total is the most by a Sun Devil wrestling team since 1989-90, when the program finished with 18.

CAL POLY

The Mustangs are led by senior **Tom Lane** (197). Lane is 17-4 this season and currently ranked No. 12 nationally in his weight class. He's won eight of his last nine bouts with his only defeat coming to then-No. 16 Kordell Norfleet of Arizona State (Dec. 8-5). Redshirt freshmen **Bernie Truax** (165) has won seven of his last nine matches, with his only two losses coming against a pair of ranked conference foes - Stanford's Shane Griffith and Arizona State's Josh Shields.

CSU BAKERSFIELD

Senior **Russell Rohlfig** (149) is 21-7, 11-2 in dual meets, including a 4-0 mark in Pac-12 competition. Rohlfig has won his last nine consecutive bouts and has posted three straight 20-win seasons. With Arizona State's Zahid Valencia sidelined, redshirt sophomore **Josh Loomer** (184) looks to contend in the wide open weight class. Redshirt junior **Jarrod Snyder** (HWT) has won five of his last seven.

LITTLE ROCK

Junior **Paul Bianchi** (133) leads the Trojans during their first season of competition. He was a national qualifier at the 2018 NCAA Championships during his freshman season at North Dakota State. Bianchi was 2-1 in Pac-12 dual meets, with his only loss being a 8-6 decision to No. 10-ranked Devan Turner of Oregon State. Nineteen freshmen dot the Little Rock roster for its inaugural season.

OREGON STATE

OSU paces the Pac-12 with 23 league crowns. Redshirt junior **Devan Turner** (133), currently ranked No. 17 in the country, has won five straight and is 24-9 entering the Pac-12 Championships. Redshirt sophomore **Grant Willits** (141) is the defending Pac-12 champion at 141. Willits, who earned Pac-12 Wrestler of the Week (Jan. 29) following his 7-1 decision over No. 10 Josh Heil of Campbell, has won his last three and boasts a 21-8 record this season. Redshirt freshman **Brandon Kaylor** (125) is 17-5 this season, winning his last eight in a row.

STANFORD

After capturing its first-ever Pac-12 wrestling title, the defending champion Cardinal look to make it two in a row on its home mat. Stanford is led by a couple of nationally-ranked redshirt freshmen in **Real Woods** (141) and **Shane Griffith** (165). Woods is nationally-ranked at No. 3, and is 17-1 this season. Griffith, also ranked at No. 3, has an unblemished mark of 26-0 this season, which is the second longest winning streak in program history. Defending Pac-12 Champion redshirt junior **Nathan Traxler** (197), nationally-ranked at No. 11, is 19-4 this season and will face a talented field at the 197 weight class.

WRESTLING RANKINGS

PAC-12 COACHES RANKINGS

The Pac-12 coaches' panel ranks the top-six wrestlers in each weight class (as of Feb. 20).

125 POUNDS

1. Brandon Courtney, Arizona State
2. Brandon Kaylor, Oregon State
3. Jackson DiSario, Stanford
4. Jayden Carson, Little Rock
5. A. Hernandez-Figueroa, CSUB
6. Benny Martinez, Cal Poly

133 POUNDS

1. Devan Turner, Oregon State
2. Paul Bianchi, Little Rock
3. Gabriel Townsell, Stanford
4. Josh Kramer, Arizona State
5. Chance Rich, CSUB
6. Cole Reyes, Cal Poly

141 POUNDS

1. Real Woods, Stanford
2. Grant Willits, Oregon State
3. Angelo Martinoni, CSUB
4. Conner Ward, Little Rock
5. Jake Ryan, Cal Poly
6. Corey Crooks, Arizona State

149 POUNDS

1. Russell Rohlfing, CSUB
2. Lane Stigall, Oregon State
3. Requir Van der Merwe, Stanford
4. Tyler Brennan, Little Rock
5. Josh Maruca, Arizona State
6. Joshy Cortez, Cal Poly

157 POUNDS

1. Jacori Teemer, Arizona State
2. Tyler Eischens, Stanford
3. Wyatt Gerl, CSUB
4. Brawley Lamar, Cal Poly
5. Logan Meek, Oregon State
6. Jose Champange, Little Rock

165 POUNDS

1. Shane Griffith, Stanford
2. Josh Shields, Arizona State
3. Bernie Truax, Cal Poly
4. Jacob Thalín, CSUB
5. Aaron Olmos, Oregon State
6. Will Edgar, Little Rock

174 POUNDS

1. Anthony Valencia, Arizona State
2. Albert Urias, CSUB
3. Jared Hill, Stanford
4. Nathan Tausch, Cal Poly
5. Jackson McKinney, Oregon State
6. Cash Jones, Little Rock

184 POUNDS

1. Zahid Valencia, Arizona State
2. Josh Loomer, CSUB
3. Colt Doyle, Oregon State
4. Trent Tracy, Cal Poly
5. Nick Addison, Stanford
6. Matthew Muller, Little Rock

197 POUNDS

1. Kordell Norfleet, Arizona State
2. Nathan Traxler, Stanford
3. Thomas Lane, Cal Poly
4. JJ Dixon, Oregon State
5. Dom Ducharme, CSUB
6. Dylan Johnson, Little Rock

HEAVYWEIGHT

1. Tanner Hall, Arizona State
2. Jarrod Snyder, CSUB
3. David Showunmi, Stanford
4. Sam Aguilar, Cal Poly
5. Jamaricus Grant, Oregon State
6. Gunner Cash, Little Rock

PAC-12 IN THE INTERMAT TOP-20

(as of Feb. 25, 2020)

No. 1 wrestler and ranked Pac-12 wrestlers

125 POUNDS

1. *Spencer Lee, Iowa*
10. Brandon Courtney, Arizona State

133 POUNDS

1. *Seth Gross, Wisconsin*
17. Devan Turner, Oregon State

141 POUNDS

1. *Nick Lee, Penn State*
3. Real Woods, Stanford

149 POUNDS

1. *Sammy Sasso, Ohio State*

157 POUNDS

1. *Ryan Deakin, Northwestern*
9. Jacori Teemer, Arizona State

165 POUNDS

1. *Vincenzo Joseph, Penn State*
3. Shane Griffith, Stanford
7. Josh Shields, Arizona State

174 POUNDS

1. *Michael Kemerer, Iowa*
9. Anthony Valencia, Arizona State

184 POUNDS

1. *Hunter Bolen, Virginia Tech*

197 POUNDS

1. *Kollin Moore, Ohio State*
9. Kordell Norfleet, Arizona State
11. Nathan Traxler, Stanford
12. Thomas Lane, Cal Poly

HEAVYWEIGHT

1. *Gable Steveson, Minnesota*
5. Tanner Hall, Arizona State

2020 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

The NCAA Championships will take place March 19-21 at U.S. Bank Stadium - Minneapolis, MN. A total of 330 of the nation's best wrestlers will compete at the NCAA Championships. Of those 330, 290 will be determined via automatic qualification. The remaining 40 spots will be selected at-large by the NCAA Division I Wrestling Committee. Additional at-large selections will be announced on Wednesday, March 11 at 6 p.m. ET (NCAA.com). The Championship will be carried on either ESPNU or ESPN.

Thursday, March 19	Session 1	11 noon CT/ESPNU
Thursday, March 19	Session 2	6 p.m. CT/ESPN
Friday, March 20	Session 3	10 a.m. CT/ESPNU
Friday, March 20	Session 4	7 p.m. CT/ESPN
Saturday, March 21	Session 5	10 a.m. CT/ESPNU
Saturday, March 21	Session 6	6 p.m. CT/ESPN

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2020 PAC-12 WRESTLERS OF THE WEEK

Jan. 8 - Real Woods, 141, Stanford
Jan. 15 - Zahid Valencia, 184, Arizona State
Jan. 22 - Jackson DiSario, 125, Stanford
Jan. 29 - Grant Willits, 141, Oregon State
Feb. 5 - Shane Griffith, 165, Stanford
Feb. 12 - Jacori Teemer, 157, Arizona State
Feb. 19 - Shane Griffith, 165, Stanford
Feb. 26 - Jacori Teemer, 157, Arizona State

2019 PAC-12 CHAMPIONSHIPS RECAP/YEAR-IN-REVIEW

After competing for the Conference wrestling title since 1963, the STANFORD Cardinal finally earned its first-ever Pac-12 crown, edging host ARIZONA STATE by two points. It was the closest team competition since Oregon State edged Boise State by two points in 2010. The Cardinal posted 81.5 points behind two individual Pac-12 Champions – **Requir Van Der Merwe** (149) and **Nathan Traxler** (197). ASU picked up 79.5 points behind individual titles from **Christian Pagdilao** (157), **Josh Shields** (165) and **Zahid Valencia** (174), while OREGON STATE finished third just two points behind the Sun Devils with 77.5 points. The Beavers had four individual winners: **Ronnie Bresser** (125), **Grant Willits** (141), **Bob Coleman** (184) and **Amar Dhesi** (285). CSU Bakersfield, behind **Sean Nickell**'s (133) second Conference title, finished fourth with 49.5 points. CAL POLY was fifth with 15.0 points. Valencia was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the Championships after he posted a pair of wins, both by technical falls.

Valencia becomes the third all-time to be named Pac-12 Wrestler of the Year three times. The junior successfully defended his NCAA title at 174 pounds to finish the year with a 31-2 record. The three-time All-American became the seventh Pac-12 wrestler to post back-to-back NCAA titles. He was recipient of The Hammer award presented by *Amateur Wrestling News*. The award is presented to the wrestler who wins the national title at what the writers at *AWN* decide is the most competitive weight class. OSU's Willits was named Pac-12 Freshman of the Year after capturing the Pac-12 title at 141 pounds and qualified for the NCAA Championships. He finished with a 18-9 record. Stanford's **Jason Borrelli** was named Pac-12 Coach of the Year by his peers after leading the Cardinal to its first-ever Pac-12 title. Along the way, the Cardinal defeated three ranked opponents during the season and sent five wrestlers to the NCAA Championships.

2019 PAC-12 CONFERENCE WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS (57th Annual) Mar. 9 – Wells Fargo Arena, Tempe, Ariz. (Host: Arizona State University)

TEAM RESULTS

1. Stanford.....	81.5
2. Arizona State	79.5
3. Oregon State	77.5
4. CSU Bakersfield.....	49.5
5. Cal Poly	15.0

INDIVIDUAL SCORERS

125 Pounds

Championship

Ronnie Bresser (OSU) Def. Ryan Millhof (ASU), D; 5-4

Third Place

Gabe Townsell (STAN) Def. Edward Flores (CSUB), MD; 15

133 Pounds

Championship

Sean Nickell (CSUB) Def. Mason Pengilly (STAN), Inj.; 6:45

Third Place

Devan Turner (OSU) Def. Josiah Kline (ASU), MD; 14-6

141 Pounds

Championship

Grant Willits (OSU) Def. Brandon Kier (STAN), F; 3:38

Third Place

Carlos Herrera (CSUB) Def. Cory Crooks (ASU), D; 3-

149 Pounds

Championship

Requir Van Der Merwe (STAN) Def. Joshua Maruca (CSUB), D; 5-3

Third Place

Russell Rohlfing (CSUB) Def. Josh Reyes (OSU), D; 8-1

157 Pounds

Championship

Christian Pagdilao (ASU) Def. Hunter Willits (OSU), D; 6-2

Third Place

Paul Fox (STAN) Def. Brawley Lamer (CP), D; 4-2

165 Pounds

Championship

Joshua Shields (ASU) Def. Jacob Thalín (CSUB), D; 9-4

Third Place

Jared Hill (STAN) Def. Aaron Olmos (OSU), F; 2:109

174 Pounds

Championship

Zahid Valencia (ASU) Def. Bryan Batisto (CSUB), TF; 1.5 5:00 (20-4)

Third Place

Colt Doyle (OSU) Def. Rico Stormer (STAN), D; 4-2

184 Pounds

Championship

Bob Coleman (OSU) Def. Judah Duhm (STAN), D; 4-2

Third Place

Dom Ducharme (CSUB) Def. Jacen Petersen (ASU), SV-1; 4-2

197 Pounds

Championship

Nathan Traxler (STAN) Def. Tom Lane (CP), D; 6-5

Third Place

Austyn Harris (ASU) Def. Mark Penyacsek (CSUB), Inj.; 0:00

285 Pounds

Championship

Amar Dhesi (OSU) Def. Haydn Maley (STAN), MD; 17-3

Third Place

Brady Gililand-Danie (ASU) Def. Sam Aguilar (CP), D; 4-3

2019 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS (89th Annual)

March 21-23 – PPG Paints Arena, Pittsburgh, Pa.

TEAM RESULTS (Champion and Pac-12 teams)

1. Penn State.....	137.5
12. ARIZONA STATE	42.0
21. OREGON STATE.....	28.0
34. STANFORD.....	5.5
33. CSU BAKERSFIELD	5.0
62. CAL POLY	2.0

2019 ALL-AMERICANS

157	Christian Pagdilao, Arizona State
165	Josh Shields, Arizona State
174	Zahid Valencia, Arizona State (NCAA Champion)
285	Amar Dhesi, Oregon State

2019 PAC-12 WRESTLER OF THE YEAR: Zahid Valencia, Arizona State
2019 PAC-12 FRESHMAN/NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR: Grant Willits, Oregon State
2019 PAC-12 COACH OF THE YEAR: Jason Borrelli, Stanford
2019 PAC-12 SCHOLAR-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR: Paul Fox, Stanford



PAC-12 WRESTLING HISTORY

ALL-TIME PAC-12 CHAMPIONS

YEAR	TEAM
1963	Washington State
1964	UCLA
1965	Oregon State
1966	Oregon State
1967	Oregon State
1968	Oregon State
1969	Oregon State
1970	Oregon State
1971	Washington
1972	Oregon State
1973	Oregon State
1974	Washington
1975	Oregon
1976	Oregon State
1977	Oregon State
1978	Oregon State
1979	Oregon State
1980	Arizona State
1981	Oregon
1982	Oregon
1983	Oregon State
1984	Oregon State
1985	Arizona State
1986	Arizona State
1987	Arizona State
1988	Arizona State
1989	Arizona State
1990	Arizona State
1991	Arizona State
1992	Oregon State
1993	Arizona State
1994	Oregon State
1995	Arizona State
1996	CSU Bakersfield
1997	Arizona State
1998	Arizona State
1999	CSU Bakersfield
2000	Boise State
2001	Arizona State
2002	Boise State
2003	Arizona State
2004	Boise State
2005	Arizona State
2006	Arizona State
2007	Oregon State
2008	Boise State
2009	Boise State
2010	Oregon State
2011	Boise State
2012	Oregon State
2013	Oregon State
2014	Oregon State
2015	Oregon State
2016	Oregon State
2017	Arizona State
2018	Arizona State
2019	Stanford

NCAA Division I Team Champions

1988 Arizona State

NCAA Division II Team Champions

1966	Cal Poly
1968	Cal Poly
1969	Cal Poly
1970	Cal Poly
1971	Cal Poly
1972	Cal Poly
1973	Cal Poly
1974	Cal Poly
1976	CSU Bakersfield
1977	CSU Bakersfield
1979	CSU Bakersfield
1980	CSU Bakersfield
1981	CSU Bakersfield
1982	CSU Bakersfield
1983	CSU Bakersfield

NCAA Division I Individual Champions

Arizona State (10)

Curley Culp, ASU	HWT	1967
Eddie Urbano, ASU	150	1985
Dan St. John, ASU	158	1989
Dan St. John, ASU	167	1990
Markus Mollica, ASU	158	1993
Ray Miller, ASU	167	1993
Markus Mollica, ASU	167	1995
Eric Larkin, ASU	149	2003
Anthony Robles, ASU	125	2011
Bubba Jenkins, ASU	157	2011
Zahid Valencia, ASU	174	2018
Zahid Valencia, ASU	174	2019

Oregon State (12)

Don Conway, OSU	167	1961
Jess Lewis, OSU	HWT	1969
Jess Lewis, OSU	HWT	1970
Roger Weigel, OSU	134	1971
Greg Strobel, OSU	190	1973
Greg Strobel, OSU	190	1974
Larry Bielenberg, OSU	HWT	1975
Dan Hicks, OSU	142	1978
Dan Hicks, OSU	142	1979
Howard Harris, OSU	HWT	1980
Les Gutches, OSU	177	1995
Les Gutches, OSU	177	1996

Stanford (1)

Matt Gentry, STAN	157	2004
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CSU Bakersfield (9)

Joe Gonzales, CSUB	118	1980
John Azevedo, CSUB	126	1980
Dan Cuestas, CSUB	126	1981
Dan Cuestas, CSUB	126	1982
Adam Cuestas, CSUB	118	1983
Jesse Reyes, CSUB	142	1984
Paul Keysaw, CSUB	190	1991
Stephen Neal, CSUB	HWT	1998
Stephen Neal, CSUB	HWT	1999

Cal Poly (2)

Tom Kline, CP	191	1969
Mark DiGirolamo, CP	118	1976