



# OSWEGO COUNTY HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT 2006

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## Top Competition At Holiday Wrestling Tournament

### *Some Of State's Best Wrestlers Expected To Compete*

A quality field of competitors marks the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Oswego County Wrestling Tournament. Twenty-two wrestlers expected to compete in this tournament finished last season as sectional finalists or better.

Barring injuries and weight changes, a preview of each weight class, based on information available at press time, follows.

96 lbs – A wide-open weight class that includes Fulton's David Hall (Penfield Tournament Champ), Pittsford's CJ Howard (Attica and Haverling Tournament finalist), Fairport's Thomas Davis (3<sup>rd</sup> at Penfield) and Cato's Dominick Giacalone (3<sup>rd</sup> North Country Tournament).

103 lbs – Unatego's Cody Dill returns to try and win his second OCHT title. Among those expected to challenge Dill are Canton's Aaron Brown (North Country Tournament Champion) and Pittsford's Cam Kelly (Haverling Tournament Champion)

112 lbs – Fulton's Section 3 Champion Paul Slaver looks for his second OCHT title in a field that includes Lowville's Matt Birchenough (6<sup>th</sup> in Section 3)

119 lbs – Two-time NYS runner-up Ken Kampnich of Watertown-IHC leads the weight class. Other top competitors at this weight are Mexico's James Loomis (Section 3 finalist), Niagara-Wheatfield's Jehad Ali (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 6), Whitesboro's Joe Carstenbrock (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3) and Canton's Shawn Brown (North Country Tournament finalist).

125 lbs – Section 4 Champ Anthony Rundell from Whitney Point and Fulton's Matt Draper (Two-time Section 3 finalist and 2004 Section 3 Champion) lead a loaded bracket that is expected to also include Watertown-IHC's Brian Kampnich (Sec 3 finalist), Oswego's Ryan Blauvelt (Section 3 ClassAA finalist), Lowville's Aaron Ingersoll (Section 3 Class D Champ), Lyon's Owen Scott (3<sup>rd</sup> at Penfield) and Canton's Bandon Huckle (North Country finalist).

130 lbs – Mexico's Kevin Smith (Three-time State Place-Winner) will be looking for his fourth OCHT title. Also wrestling at this weight will likely be Fulton's Lee Arcadi (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3), Canton's Tyler Call (North Country Tournament finalist) and South Jefferson's Joe Beach (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3) or Tony DeFranco (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3).

135 lbs – Section 6 Champ Zachariah Lange from Niagara-Wheatfield leads this weight that includes Watertown-IHC's Antonio Doldo (Section 3 finalist); Fulton's Doug Miller (Penfield Tournament finalist), Pittsford's Scott Howard (Haverling Tournament finalist) and South Jefferson's Joe Beach (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3) or Tony DeFranco (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3).

140 lbs – NYS Tournament finalist Derek Brenon from Watertown-IHC will likely be top seed in a field that includes Fulton's Dillon Shue (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3 and Empire State Games Champion), Niagara-Wheatfield's Josh Sorley (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 6), Mexico's Jacob Burke (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3), Unatego's Chris Yaeger (3<sup>rd</sup> at Clyde Cole) and Lyon's Nathan Bailey (4<sup>th</sup> at Penfield).

145 lbs – Two state place-winners could meet at this weight in the finals with South Jefferson's two-time state finalist Justin Lister and Mexico's Ron Majerus (3<sup>rd</sup> NYS). Also expected to compete for tournament honors at this weight are Lowville's Tom Shaw (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3),

Fairport's Steve Elvin (3<sup>rd</sup> in Sec 5 Class and Penfield Tournament Champion), Whitney Point's Donnie Vinson (Section 4 finalist and Clyde Cole Champ) and Fulton's Chris Torrese (Waterloo Tournament Champion)

152 lbs – NYS Champion Mike Kampnich from General Brown is the headliner at this weight along with Mexico's two-time Section 3 Champ Mike LaDuke and Fulton's Matt Bogardus (Section 3 finalist and Empire State Games Silver Medalist).

160 lbs – Whitesboro's Matt DeMichael (3<sup>rd</sup> in NYS) leads another loaded weight class. General Brown's Tyler Flath (Section 3 Champion) and Fulton's Cameron Mills (Section 3 finalist) round out the likely top three seeds. Also in the hunt for tournament honors will be Waterloo's Josh Mateo (Waterloo Tournament Champ and Penfield finalist), Lowville's Tyler Thomas (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3 Class) and Fairport's Steve McGinn (5<sup>th</sup> Section 5).

171 lbs – Niagara-Wheatfield's NYS finalist Jake Koshinski is the likely top seed at this weight. Fulton's Jeremiah Richardson (Section 3 finalist), Watertown-IHC's Nunzio Doldo (4<sup>th</sup> Section 3) and Pittsford's Brandon Dwyer (Attica and Haverling Tournament finalist) round out the top four.

189 lbs – Fulton's Dan Johnson (Waterloo Tournament Champion) and Aaron Congdon (3<sup>rd</sup> at Byron-Bergan Tournament) from Mid-Lakes lead this wide-open weight class.

215 lbs – Depending on which wrestler goes what weight, either Mexico's Tyler Peter (Section 3 finalist) or Kevin Miller (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3) will likely lead this weight. Rounding out the group will be Fulton's Connan Ingham (Waterloo Tournament finalist), Canton's Chris Rickett (North Country Champion) and Fairport's Steve Pittinaro (3<sup>rd</sup> in Section 5 Class)

275 - Either Mexico's Tyler Peter (Section 3 finalist) or Kevin Miller (3<sup>rd</sup> Section 3) will likely lead this weight along with Pittsford's Kenny Woodward (Attica Tournament Champion) and Fulton's Adam Kinney (4<sup>th</sup> Clyde Cole Tournament)

Team Race – Fulton's depth in this 21-entry tournament makes the Raiders the favorite to take the team title once again. Mexico placed second to Fulton last year in this tournament but went on to best the Raiders for the second consecutive year at the Section 3 Interclass Tournament. The Tigers bring to this Holiday Tournament three returning sectional champions, two sectional runner-ups and two third place finishers. The strength of the Mexico team could make the team race very interesting. Also expected to contend for team honors are: Niagara-Wheatfield (the top-ranked large school in Section 6) and South Jefferson (currently ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> among Section 3 small schools).