

## Team ND Elementary Dual Qualifier 2017

Announcing the qualifying tournament for the National Elementary Duals:

North Dakota will be sending **2 teams to the 2017 USA Elementary Duals on April 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. This event is held in Council Bluffs, Iowa. They are expecting 40 elementary teams this year!!

**NOTE:** To be selected for 1 of the teams, you must place in the top 2 of your weight bracket at the Qualifier held in Mandan ND on Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**Registration:** <http://www.trackwrestling.com/registration/BasicPreReg1.jsp?tournamentGroupId=256001009>

**Complete online Trackwrestling registration by Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 9am.**

### **Qualifier information:**

Venue: Mandan Middle School, 2901 12th Avenue NW, Mandan, ND. (North of Exit 152)

Weigh-in times: 4:30pm to 5:00pm

Wrestling will start at 6:00pm.

Weights: 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 105, 112, 120, 130, 140, 160 (17 total weights)

Wrestlers must be in 1st-6th grade and must be younger than 14.

Cost: \$10. Proceeds will go towards the trip to Iowa. **MUST PAY ONLINE**

All wrestlers must have a USA card to wrestle in Iowa. You can get your USA card at [www.usawmembership.com](http://www.usawmembership.com)

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**PLEASE NOTE:** Because the qualifier is being held to select 2 teams, we ask that you **do not attend the qualifier if you cannot go to the USA Elementary duals in April**. If you wrestle in the qualifier and place in the top 2, **the organizers expect you to represent ND at this event in April**.

### **Additional information for the Elementary Duals:**

The cost for each individual to attend the Elementary Duals is \$300, which includes transportation by bus from Bismarck, team entry fees, and team gear package. You will be responsible for your meals except for the Thursday evening meal. We will be using the **RED** team ND singlet; it is an additional \$50 if you need this singlet.

Please note that we are trying to make this as affordable as possible and have come up with another option for you to pay for your portion of the trip. You can either pay \$300 to go on the trip, or you can sell 15 Raffle tickets (\$20 apiece) and have USAWND take care of the \$300 portion for you. There is not an obligation to sell raffle tickets this year, but we would encourage it. If you choose the Raffle Ticket route, you will need to write a check out for \$300 for the Raffle tickets and then when you sell them, you can keep the cash.

Information will be emailed out to the top 2 place winners from each weight class providing additional instructions such as: practice in Bismarck Wednesday evening, what time we leave Bismarck Thursday, what time we get back to Bismarck Saturday, contact information, etc. We will need a check for the full amount (\$300) before you leave the qualifier on Friday.

We will have room for a few extra riders on the bus at \$50 each on a first come first serve basis.

We have booked extra hotel rooms for any parents that want to attend with their wrestler. **If you do attend it's expected that your wrestler will stay with you in your room**, so if this is **NOT** true you need to tell us. You will need to be ready to specify if you need a motel room at the qualifier since we need to book them that week.

In the past a booklet was made with team member bios for parents and coaches. The cost of the book is not covered by our budgeted money for the trip. If anyone would like to take this task on this year we are looking for a volunteer to create the book and find donations to have the book created. If you're interested please let us know ASAP.

This will be a satellite weigh in for the Black Hill Nationals Tournament in Spearfish, SD on March 18. Must let us know during weigh in's so we can email your weight to them.