

# Memo

**To:** Board of Trustees  
**From:** Shay Swan, Activities Director  
**CC:** Rob Sauer  
**Date:** 12/6/23  
**Re:** BOARD REPORT - Homedale Middle School - Athletics

## Winter Sports Boys & Girls Wrestling (6th-8th)

Treasure Valley Championships

On November 18th, the Homedale Middle School wrestling team was able to claim victory in the largest middle school wrestling tournament hosted in the treasure valley. There were 36 teams entered in the tournament. The top five teams are listed below.

1. Homedale Middle School - 119
2. Middleton Middle School - 84
3. Heritage Middle School - 75
4. Meridian Middle School - 72
5. Emmett Middle School - 62

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### Sports

#### Four firsts push HMS wrestlers to Treasure Valley title

Four individual champions propelled the Homedale Middle School wrestling team to the Treasure Valley Championships varsity crown.

The Trojans came out on top in a 36-team tournament held Nov. 17-18 at Bethel High School in Boise. Homedale scored 119 points, and second-place Middleton chimed in with 84 points.

Varsity bracket champions included:

• Jakobe Valle, eighth-grader at 100 pounds, edging Lowell Scott's Cooper Hastings, 3-2, in the title bout.

• Peter Swan, eighth-grader at 105, knocking off Kaleb Watson from Lometa, 7-2, for the crown.

• Braxton Arnold, eighth-grader at 115, beating Cruz Ramirez of Meridian, 6-2.

• Emmitt Bridgewater, sixth-grader at 132, pinning Heritage's Koen Walton in 34 seconds.

These four wrestlers scored the most points for the Trojans in the tournament.

Mario Black, eighth-grader, was runner-up at 120 pounds.

Third-place wrestlers included eighth-graders Micah Higley (85), Khyler Maxwell (135) and seventh-grader Hunter Bell (145).

Sixth-grader Jalen Asunden was fourth at 75 pounds. Sixth-place wrestlers included seventh-grader Jackson Nelson (90), and eighth-graders Gibson Rice (110), and Tuff Nelder (130).

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Overall, according to track wrestling.com, the Trojans scored the third-most points in the tournament behind Heritage and Kama. But the total points included junior varsity and girls' matches, while organizers counted only points earned in varsity matches to decide the champion in the 36-team extravaganza.

The Trojans scored 141 overall points, one more than Fruitland.

Homevale returns to 3A Snake River Valley conference

Both meets begin at 4:15 p.m.

The 3A SRV championship meet takes place Saturday, Dec. 9 at McCain Middle School in Payette. The state meet is scheduled Saturday, Dec. 16 at the Ford Idaho Center in Nampa.



The Homedale Middle School wrestling team and its coaches take to the mat for a photo after the Treasure Valley Championships earlier this month in Boise. Submitted photo

The SRV District Wrestling Tournament is scheduled to take place at McCain Middle School on December 9th. The team will then compete in the state tournament the following weekend at the Idaho Center.

## Girls Basketball

At this point in the season, both the 7th and 8th grade girls teams have played five "league" games. Listed below are the records of each team.

<u>Team:</u>	<u>Wins - Loses (League Play)::</u>
8th grade A	2-3
8th Grade B	5-0
7th Grade A	5-0
7th Grade B	4-1

The Seventh Grade "A" Team has locked up the number one seed for the district tournament and we will host the first playoff game on December 13th at HMS starting at 5:00pm. We will hopefully be able to host the championship game on December 14th at HHS.



## Boys Basketball

Boys Basketball is scheduled to start on January 8th with their first practice/try out. Their first game is scheduled for January 25th versus Ontario Middle School.

## Cheerleading

The cheerleaders had their first performance on Saturday, December 2nd, in Kuna and were very successful. They ended up placing first in the middle school coed show cheer. They will have two more competitive events throughout the year.

