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**2018 Michael J. Baker Essex High School Wrestling Classic
Friday/Saturday, January 19 & 20, 2018**

TIME SCHEDULE:

Please DO NOT arrive before 2:00 p.m. due to Essex being in school.

FRIDAY:

- **WEIGH-INS: 2:15 p.m.** THIS WILL BE THE ONLY WEIGH-IN FOR THE TOURNAMENT. Weigh-ins will be by team and will be conducted as per the NFHS Rule Book.
- **SCRATCH MEETING: 3:15-3:30 p.m.** Back of the auditorium – be there! Wrestling begins at 4:00 SHARP and will be continuous until 3 rounds are completed in the championship bracket and the consolation bracket. (See attached pairing sheet).

SATURDAY:

- Wrestling begins at 10:00 a.m. and is continuous throughout the day (breaks will be taken as needed). All medal rounds 1st-2nd, 3rd-4th, and 5th-6th will occur simultaneously.

ENTRY FEE:

- **\$300.00 per school.** Please make arrangements to have this to me on or before January 20. A \$25 per wrestler entry fee will be assessed for individual wrestlers or teams of 5 or fewer members. There are many expenses associated with running a tournament of this size and I would like to pay these expenses in a timely fashion.

SEEDING INFORMATION & TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

1. **WEIGHT CLASSES** per NFHS rule book
2. **SEEDING:** Please fill out the attached seeding information sheet and fax to 802-872-0900 no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 1/11/17. Entries may also be emailed to iisham@ccsuvt.org. All seeding and pairing is done prior to your arrival, so it is extremely important that you cooperate – we do not have time to

call you for your seeding information. THE SEEDING & PAIRINGS WILL BE DONE AT 7:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 12th. IF THERE ARE CHANGES IN YOUR LINE-UP OR SIGNIFICANT RESULTS AFTER YOU HAVE RETURNED THE FORM, PLEASE CALL MIKE BAKER AT 802-578-0383, or Ira Isham 802-999-6402. IF YOU HAVE LAST MINUTE CHANGES BEFORE YOU LEAVE FOR ESSEX ON FRIDAY, CALL MIKE BAKER AT 802-578-0383 WITH YOUR CHANGES.

PLEASE NOTE

A WRESTLER CAN BE ENTERED IN ONLY ONE WEIGHT CLASS AND THAT IS THE ONLY WEIGHT CLASS IN WHICH HE/SHE MAY WRESTLE. IF A WRESTLER DOES NOT MAKE WEIGHT FOR THE WEIGHT CLASS IN WHICH HE/SHE IS ENTERED, HE/SHE CANNOT WRESTLE IN THE TOURNAMENT, EVEN IF YOU HAVE NO ONE ENTERED AT THE NEXT HIGHER WEIGHT CLASS. AT THE WEIGH-IN A WRESTLER MAY ONLY BE REPLACED DUE TO INJURY OR ILLNESS.

3. **PAIRINGS:** A 32 man bracket will be used. We will wrestle 3 rounds in the championship bracket and 3 rounds in the consolation bracket on Friday night. All wrestlers will be guaranteed a minimum of 2 matches. Scoring will be for 6 places.

TOURNAMENT NOTES

1. The Essex Boosters will operate a first class concession stand throughout the tournament.
2. Souvenir t-shirts will be available for purchase.
3. Violations of good conduct by a wrestler (violations not covered by the National Federation Rule Book) will result in disqualification from the tournament.