

NORTH HILLS WRESTLING

OWN IT – One Team, One Tribe...



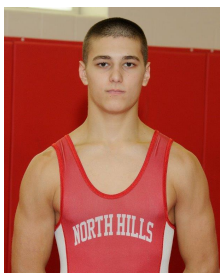
INDIANS FINISH THIRD IN SECTION 3

Qualify for WPIAL Team Playoff's

The varsity wrestling team traveled to Shaler Area High School on Wednesday to compete in the first round of Team Section Championships. North Hills wrestled their first match against Seneca Valley; the difference between team scores was never any bigger than seven points. Jake Stotz, the second match of the night, was the only Indian to achieve bonus points for a fall, he pinned his opponent in the second period. Seniors Devon Cuda and Gage Curry both won their matches with major decisions. Nathan Mankey, Sean Bright, Keagan Lawson, and Luke Fotta each contributed three points to the team score winning by decision. Going into the last match the score was 26-30, Seneca Valley. Senior Valente Caruso, also won his match with a decision, but it was not enough to close the gap between the two schools. North Hills fell to Seneca, losing by just one point.

The Indians returned to the mat with renewed spirit, determined to beat North Allegheny and snag a third place finish. North Hills found their momentum as Devon Cuda pinned his opponent in the second period. Gage Curry, Armend Murtezi, and John MacPherson followed suit and all pinned their wrestlers within the first period. Sean Bright won his match with a decision, collecting 3 team points. For the second time, the dual meet came down to the final match of the dual with the score tied at 33. This time the Indians put their trust in Sophomore Nathan Mankey to get the job done. After a close match Mankey came through with the victory, helping the Indians earn a third place section three finish. It also was the Indians first victory in North Hills wrestling history against the North Allegheny Tigers.

In bouncing back from the loss against Seneca Valley, the Indians demonstrated great Grit, Toughness and Resilience in staying focused on the task and finishing with a great performance. As the Indians close out Sectional Team Championships, they embrace the most exciting challenge of the year so far, WPIAL Team Playoffs. A challenge the Indians have been working for all season. These Indians learned a lot from team duals this year and one of the most important details they continue to apply is to leave it all out on the mat and that every point matters. Rise up INDIANS! Own IT!



Nathan Mankey

Indian of the week:

This Indian wrestler went 2-0 in the team section playoff's. In his second win of the night he helped the Indians clinch a team victory over the Tigers and earn the Indians a third place team finish in section 3. This week's Indian of the week goes to North Hills Sophomore Nathan Mankey. Congratulations Nathan!

Coach's Message

"Take pride in how far you have come. Have faith in how far you can go."

-- Author Unknown

Next Up - WPIAL Team Playoff's - 2/3/16

The Indians will be back in action this Wednesday at Canon-McMillan High School where they will take on the Greater Latrobe Wildcats at 6:00pm in the first round of the WPIAL Team Playoff's. The winner of this match-up will wrestle a second match later in the night at 7:30pm in the quarter-finals. Please come out and support your Indians as they look to tame the Wildcats.

TEAM SECTION 3 CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS & WPIAL PLAYOFF BRACKET:

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