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2024 Tournament Preview

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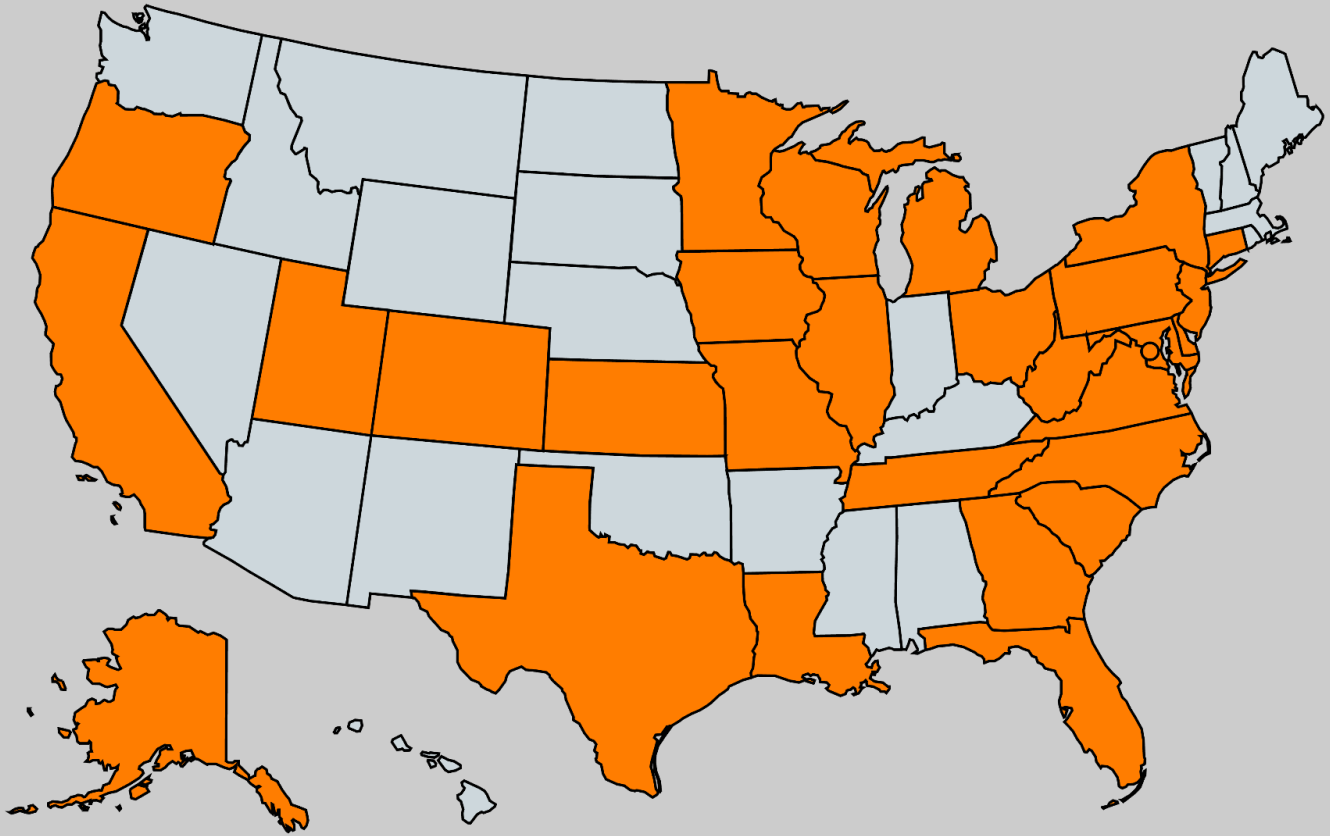


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- 75 teams, 1000+ wrestlers, 37 mats, 4 division titles on the line.
- 28 States represented... at least
- 45 Nationally Ranked wrestlers in Top 10 MS Rankings
- 6 Nationally Ranked #1 wrestlers
- Over 100 Super 32/ Tulsa All-Americans
- # of State Champs/ Placewinners = too many to count..
- # of wrestlers getting better this weekend by challenging themselves against top competition = Every single one of them.

Elite teams and wrestlers from all over the country are set to collide this weekend at the 2024 McDonogh Duals. Top competitors and rising talent from around the nation will step on the mat to battle it out in what is regarded as one of the toughest dual tournaments in the country. High level wrestling will be on display all weekend long. Numerous great matchups are lined up, upsets are bound to go down. Wrestlers are eager to get after it. Check out some of the top teams and wrestlers to watch out for this weekend.



States represented: PA, NJ, MD, VA, NY, CO, CA, FL, NC, OH, DE, MI, TN, IL, MO, TX, IA, CT, OR, GA, KS, WI, SC, LA, UT, MN, WV, AK

Middle School Division: 28 Teams

Elementary 6th Grade & Under Division: 32 Teams

Elementary 4th Grade & Under Division: 10 Teams

Girls K-8 Division: 5 teams



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#1 Nationally Ranked MS wrestlers set to compete:

- Fred Bachmann (PA) - **#1 P4P**, #1 at 100 lbs. (Team Gotcha-1)
- Keegan Bassett (PA) - #1 at 85 lbs. (POWA)
- Connor Whitely (OH) - #1 at 105 lbs. (POWA)
- Anthony Lopera (NJ) - #1 at 75 lbs. (Team Shutt)
- Matty O'Neill (PA) - #1 at 120 lbs. (Team Gotcha-1)
- Chase Hetrick (PA) - #1 at HWT (Team Shutt)

(From MatScouts - Latest National JH Rankings After Tulsa)

Nationally Ranked MS wrestlers

(weights listed = competing at this weekend)

72 lbs. - AJ Slominsky - #3 NR (Team Gotcha-2)

72 lbs. - Leo Murillo - #7 NR (Stellar Trained Krayt)

76 lbs. - Nelson Villafane - #4 NR (Mat Assassins)

76 lbs. - Jaxon Kraemer - #9 NR (POWA)

80 lbs. - Rylan Wax - #4 NR (POWA)

80 lbs. - Riley Crandall - #6 NR (Steller Trained Krayt)

80 lbs. - Nathan Schuman - #8 NR (Mat Assassins)

80 lbs. - Kooper Deputy - #3 NR (POWA)

84 lbs. - Carter Smith - #3 NR (Team Shutt)

84 lbs. - Evan Restivo - #4 NR (Steller Trained Krayt)

88 lbs. - Laz McEwen - #6 NR (POWA)

88 lbs. - Dakota Sandy - #7 NR (Mat Assassins)

88 lbs. - Nico Emili - #9 NR (Team Shutt)

88 lbs. - Arav Pandey - #8 NR (Team Shutt)

92 lbs. - Tyler Verceles - #5 NR (Headhunters)

92 lbs. - Gabe Benyo - #8 NR (Mat Assassins)

96 lbs. - Corey Brown - #4 NR (Headhunters)

96 lbs. - Tommy Wurster - #7 NR (POWA)

96 lbs. - Alex Marchetti - #10 NR (Mat Assassins)

100 lbs. - Brayden Wenrich - #2 NR (Team Gotcha-1)

100 lbs. - Jojo Burke - #4 NR (Team Shutt)

100 lbs. - Stefano Garcia - #8 NR (Team Gotcha-2)

100 lbs. - Jacob Benyo - #10 NR (Mat Assassins)

105 lbs. - Cruz Little - #4 NR (Team Shutt)

105 lbs. - Martez Sheard - #5 NR (POWA)

115 lbs. - Weston Borgers - #5 NR (POWA)

115 lbs. - Kamdyn Borrero - #9 NR (Team Gotcha-1)

120 lbs. - Cole Speer - #4 NR (Team Shutt)

120 lbs. - Izaiah Chavez - #6 NR (POWA)
130 lbs. - Harrison Murdock - #3 NR (POWA)
130 lbs. - Thunder Page - #5 NR (Team Gotcha-1)
140 lbs. - Gideon Gonzalez - #4 NR (Team Shutt)
140 lbs. - Tom Schechterly - #6 NR (Mat Assassins)
140 lbs. - Alek Palko - #8 NR (Steller Trained Krayt)
140 lbs. - Jason Dube - #7 NR (PA Alliance)
160 lbs. - Samuel Almedina - #2 NR (Mat Assassins)
160 lbs. - Jake Hughes - #4 NR (Team Shutt)
160 lbs. - Asher Bacon - #5 NR (POWA)
210 lbs. - Kendahl Hoare - #3 NR (Team Gotcha-1)

Needless to say... the MS field is stacked! The elementary divisions and girls division also have a ton of rising talent.

As you saw above, the majority of the ranked wrestlers will be competing on 1 of the top 5 seeded MS teams. And we can't wait to watch those teams go at it! The Gold Pool which will be determined after round 3 will be must-watch wrestling! We're talking incredible high-level matchups between the top wrestlers in the country. The team race for the title is going to be intense!



McDonogh Duals Preview

MS Division

Pool A		Pool B
POWA		Team Gotcha - 1
PA Alliance		Daniel Comier WA
FL Scorpions		Mat Assassins Red
84 Athletes		Terps Xpress

Pool C		Pool D
Team Shutt		Mat Assassins Black
Kraken		Steller Nihl
Warhawks		Terps Xtreme
Terps East Coast Elite		Bitetto Trained

Pool E		Pool F		Pool G
Steller Krayt		Team Gotcha - 2		Black Fox
Rough House		Ohio Gold		Rebellion
Finger Lakes		Headhunters		Germantown
Centurion		Mat Warriors		NC National Team

ES6 Division

Pool A		Pool B		Pool C		Pool D
POWA		Dynasty Ruthless/U2		Rebellion		PA Alliance
Dragon United		Armory Athletics		Mat Assassins White		Warhawks
Rough House		Ohio Gold		Brawler Elite		Black Fox
Mat Warriors		Daniel Cormier		FL Scorpions		Savage Barn Brothers
Mat Assassins Grey		NC National Team		Finger Lakes Elite		Kraken
Mayfield Mat Academy		Team Germantown		Headhunters		Bitetto Trained
Terps Xtreme		Terps East Coast Elite		Quest Wrestling		Terps Xpress
Xtreme Team		Kraken Red		Kraken White		Virginia Patriots

ES4 Division & Girls K-8

Elementary 4th
ACES
Brawler Elite
Fair Lawn Cutters
Finger Lakes Elite
Finger Lakes Elite White
FL Scorpions
Mat Assassins Blue
Rangers WC
Smyrna
So Cal Hammers

Girls
Finger Lakes Elite
Mat Assassins
Misfits Blue
Misfits Red
So Cal Hammers

See Pools on TrackWrestling as well

The defending double McDonogh Duals Champs, POWA, is looking to go back-to-back in both the MS and ES6 divisions. And they sure have the firepower to do it! They are the #1 seed in both divisions. 12 of the 17 wrestlers on their MS squad are Nationally ranked in the top 10... Both of their MS & ES6 teams have multiple Super 32 & Tulsa Champs/ AA. These other teams are going to have to fight hard and wrestle near perfect duals to beat POWA. Let's see if POWA can crush their hopes again and become back to back double champs.

Team Gotcha won a VAC Duals title in December and now they're seeking gold at McDonogh. Team Gotcha hasn't competed here in a few years, so they'll look to make a splash immediately. They are #2 seed heading into the weekend and will be led by two #1 nationally ranked wrestlers in Matt O'Neill and P4P #1 Freddy Bachmann.

Team Shutt as always is loaded with talent from all over. The entire lineup is State Champs from 7 different states. 10 ranked wrestlers on this roster but that number is basically even higher if you count previous rankings. Team Shutt is eager to taste gold again after falling just short to the Mat Assassins at Tyrant Duals 3 weeks ago as well as their runner-up finish to POWA at

Mcdonogh last year. Shutt also has two #1 nationally ranked wrestlers in Anthony Lopera and Chase Hetrick. Expect Team Shutt to score big points this weekend.

The **Mat Assassins** have been on a tear. As a team and on an individual level as multiple boys and girls from their club just either won or placed at Tulsa. They'll be the 4th overall seed after finishing 4th here last year. Mat Assassins just recently won Tyrant Duals and Bison Winter Duals in dominant fashion and now they'll look to upset even more all-star teams with their homegrown club wrestlers. 8 NR wrestlers are on this MS team. Multiple PA State Champs. The Assassins can take on any team at any time, so expect them to fight hard to the final whistle. Mat Assassins will have a team compete in all 4 divisions.

Steller Trained Krayt is another very strong club team ready to take on these loaded all-star squads. Coach Chance Marsteller will have these guys well prepared and ready to step up in the moment. They also have several nationally ranked wrestlers. Expect Steller Krayt to wrestle smart and go hunting for bonus points.

Other teams to keep an eye on in the stacked MS division:

- Team Gotcha-2
- Black Fox (CO)

- PA Alliance (2023 McDonogh 3rd place)
 - Daniel Cormier WA (CA)
 - Kraken (PA).
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In the ES6 division, **POWA** is the favorite to win it all. Lineup is stacked with not just All-Americans but champs/ finalists from Super 32, Tulsa, etc. **Dynasty Ruthless/U2** presents a strong threat to their title defense. They have a roster full of State Champs, Super 32/ Tulsa AA from multiple states including: PA, MN, VA, CO, FL, TX. Dynasty Ruthless will also have Ukrainian Freestyle National Champ Izmail Kuchma compete for them this weekend!

Rebellion, the 2023 ES6 Runner-up, rolls in as the 3 seed. They arrive with another strong lineup. **PA Alliance**, 3rd place last year, is the overall 4 seed on the weekend.

Top team from each of the 4 ES6 pools will move on to the gold bracket to determine the Champ.

This is the first year McDonogh Duals will have a ES4 and Girls K-8 division.

The ES4 Division has teams representing: PA, NY, NJ, FL, VA, CA, DE.

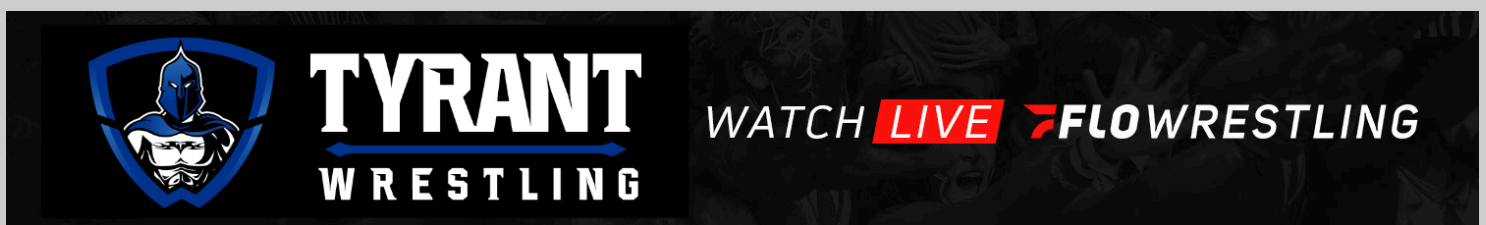
The Girls Division has teams representing: PA, NY, and CA.

Mat Assassins has a few Tulsa finalists in Scarlett McKeown and Piper Full who was Champion. Misfits Power seems to be the favorite in this division though, as they have several wrestlers listed in the PA P4P Girls JH rankings including:

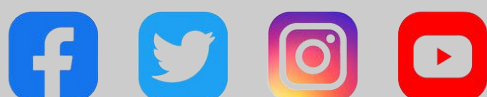
- Morgan Hyland - #4 P4P in PA
- Neve O'Byrne - #8 P4P in PA

So Cal Hammers has a couple CA State Champs. We expect them to show these east coast girls how the west coast rolls!

We'll be sure to cover these 2 new divisions throughout the weekend!



It is expected to be an action packed weekend with tough wrestling on display nonstop. Catch all the action on [FloWrestling](https://www.flowrestling.com) and follow along on social media [@TyrantWrestling](https://twitter.com/TyrantWrestling).



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