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# 2025 Tournament Preview

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**Richmond, VA**



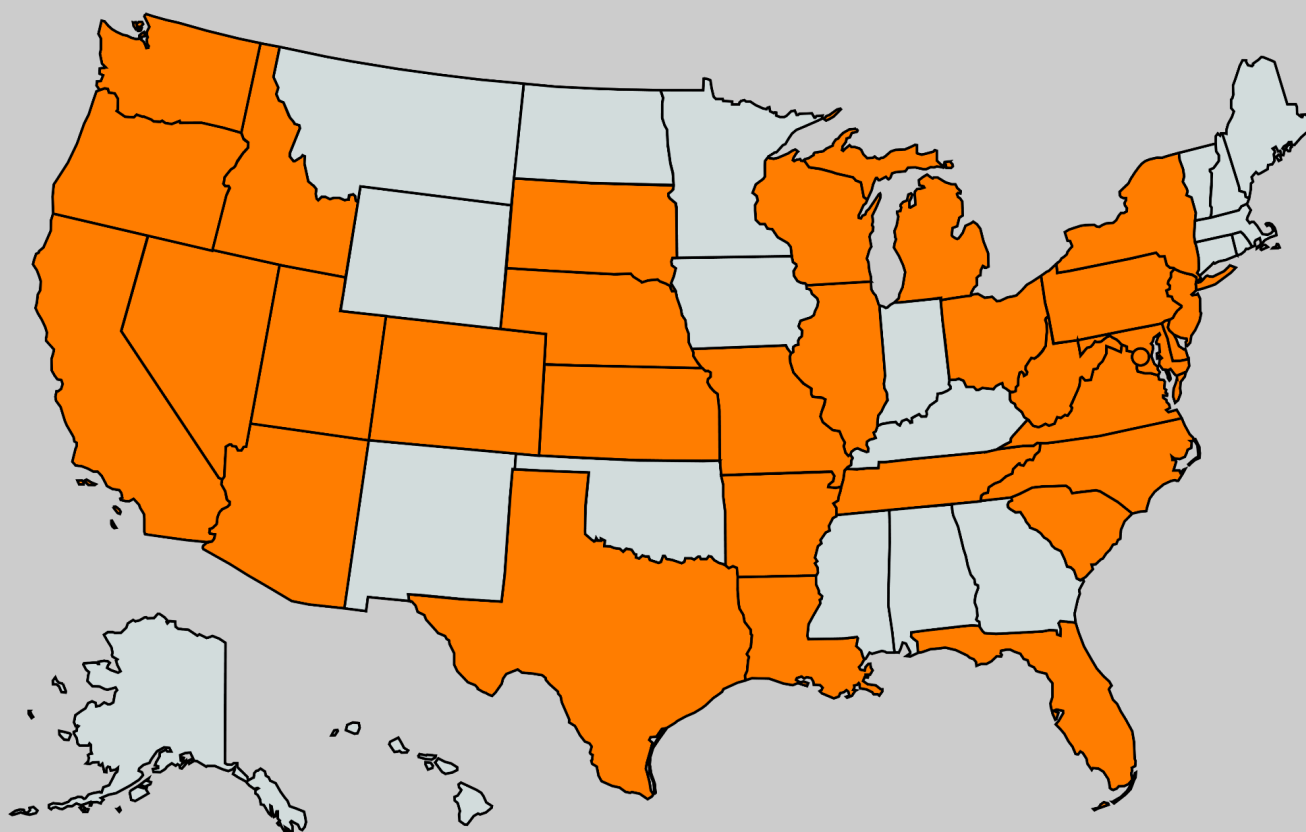
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- 61 teams, 900+ wrestlers, 30 mats, 3 division titles on the line.
- 30 States represented... at least
- 47 Nationally Ranked wrestlers in Top 12 MS Rankings
- 6 Nationally Ranked #1 wrestlers
- Over 100 Super 32/ Tulsa All-Americans
- # of State 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 2025 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: AR, AZ, CA, CO, DE, FL, IL, ID, KS, LA, MI, MD, MO, NC, NE, NJ, NV, NY, OH, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV.**



*Middle School Division: 28 Teams*

*Elementary 6th Grade & Under Division: 24 Teams*

*Elementary 4th Grade & Under Division: 9 Teams*

**#1 Nationally Ranked MS wrestlers set to compete:**

- Nelson Villafane - #1 at 80 lbs. (Mat Assassins Black)
- Jaxon Kraemer - #1 at 85 lbs. (Team Shutt)
- Cohen Reer - #1 at 90 lbs. (Burnett Trained)
- Stetson Gabel - #1 at 128 lbs. (POWA)
- Donovan Symalla - #1 at 145 lbs. (POWA)
- Asher Bacon - #1 at 157 lbs. (POWA)

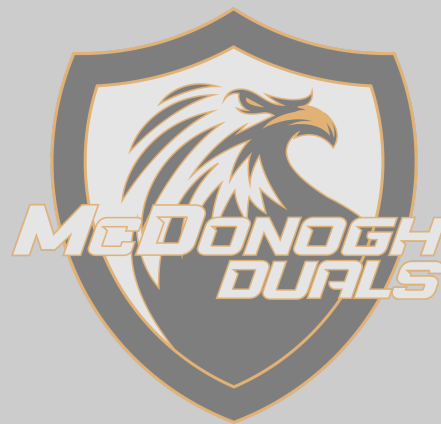


***(From MatScouts - National JH Rankings: 24-25 updated as of 2/3/25)***

## **Nationally Ranked MS wrestlers**

*(weights listed = competing at this weekend, NR may be for other weight class)*

- 72 lbs. - Bradey Bleich - #9 NR (Mat Assassins Black)
- 72 lbs. - James Messina - #11 NR (Ruthless)
- 76 lbs. - Ethan Spatz - #8 NR (POWA)
- 76 lbs. - George Dipsey - #10 NR (Ruthless)
- 80 lbs. - Jaxon Holtz - #2 NR (POWA)
- 80 lbs. - Michael Nicosia - #3 NR (Mat Assassins Black)
- 80 lbs. - Bowen Lefler - #6 NR (NC National Team)
- 80 lbs. - Chase Miller-Smith - #7 NR (Ohio Gold)
- 84 lbs. - Rocco Palilian - #4 NR (POWA)
- 84 lbs. - Dominic Schuman - #8 NR (Mat Assassins Black)
- 84 lbs. - Dane Malone - #4 NR (Junior Terps Xtreme)
- 84 lbs. - Vito Naljayan - #9 NR (Mat Assassins Red)
- 88 lbs. - Nelson Villafane - #1 NR (Mat Assassins Black)
- 88 lbs. - Reese Babcock - #7 NR (POWA)
- 88 lbs. - Leo Murillo - #11 NR (Team Gotcha)
- 92 lbs. - Jaxon Kraemer - #1 NR (Team Shutt)
- 92 lbs. - Cohen Reer - #1 NR (Burnett Trained)
- 92 lbs. - Bryce Fiore - #3 NR (Team Gotcha)
- 92 lbs. - Rylan Wax - #10 NR (POWA)
- 96 lbs. - Carter Smith - #2 NR (Team Shutt)
- 96 lbs. - Brody Campau - #6 NR (POWA)
- 96 lbs. - Lucas Layne #12 NR (Team Gotcha)
- 100 lbs. - Jacob Saunders - #2 NR (Team Shutt)



100 lbs - Arav Pandey - #6 NR (Team Shutt)  
100 lbs. - Dakota Sandy - #8 NR (Mat Assassins Black)  
100 lbs. - Nolan Deshon - #10 NR (Ohio Gold)  
100 lbs. - Jaden Washington - #12 NR (Team Gotcha)  
105 lbs. - Shiloh Joyce - #2 NR (Ruthless)  
105 lbs. - Mason Brown - #5 NR (Team Shutt)  
105 lbs. - Jeremy Aiden Carver - #4 NR (Mat Assassins Black)  
110 lbs. - Alex Marchetti - #3 NR (Mat Assassins Black)  
110 lbs. - Case Gustafson - #8 NR (Team Gotcha)  
110 lbs. - Chad Artman - #9 NR (POWA)  
110 lbs. - Cole Schwartz - #10 NR (Team Shutt)  
115 lbs. - Cole Rebels - #11 NR (Ruthless)  
120 lbs. - Sean Elliot - #6 NR (Ruthless)  
120 lbs. - Rocco Lombardo - #7 (Team Gotcha)  
120 lbs. - Caleb Kosko - #8 NR (Team Shutt)  
120 lbs. - Hayden Lauterback - #12 NR (POWA)  
130 lbs. - Jake Causey - #7 NR (POWA)  
130 lbs. - Sully Karmen - #2 NR (Ohio Gold)  
130 lbs. - Joe Whitford - #3 NR (Team Shutt)  
140 lbs. - Stetson Gabel - #1 NR (POWA)  
160 lbs. - Donovan Symalla - #1 NR (POWA)  
160 lbs. - Asher Bacon - #1 NR (POWA)  
160 lbs. - Carter Barrio - #2 NR (Team Shutt)  
160 lbs. - Cohen Olsen - #12 NR (Team Gotcha)  
210 lbs. - Zach Leftwich - #7 NR (Team Shutt)  
210 lbs. - Ryder Bernholz - #9 NR (Ruthless)





## Top 8 Seeds:

1. Team Shutt
2. POWA
3. Team Gotcha
4. Mat Assassins Black
5. Ruthless
6. Ohio Gold
7. Kraken
8. NC National Team

Needless to say... the Middle School field is stacked! The Gold Pool rounds are going to be a must-watch event filled with potential future NCAA All-Americans & even World Medalists. 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.

Be on the lookout for more coverage of these top teams and unreal projected matchups.

*Brackets & match results can be found on [Trackwrestling](#).*

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# McDonogh Duals Preview

## MS Division

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C
Team Shutt	POWA	Team Gotcha
FCA Hurricanes	Top Dawg Academy	Rough House
Daniel Cormier	BTWC	Legacy Dragons
VA Patriots	Full Circle	Hanover Hawkeye
Pool D	Pool E	Pool F
Mat Assassins Black	Ruthless	Ohio Gold
VA Predators	Burnett Trained WC	Warhawks Wrestling
Pittbull Terps	Riverheads MS Wrestling	Richmond WC
Brawler Elite	Reaper WC	Junior Terps Xtreme
	Pool G	
	Kraken	
	NC National Team	
	Crossroads Wrestling	
	Mat Assassins Red	

## ES6 Division

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C
POWA	Mat Assassins Black	Cali Red
Capital City WC	SouthWest Elite	Quest
Warhawks Wrestling	Triangle WA	Crossroads Wrestling
Jaguar Warriors	Brawler Elite	New Kent WC
Pool D	Pool E	Pool F
Buxton	Kardiac Kidz	CP Wrestling Academy
Ohio Gold	Rough House	Team Gotcha
Irontide	Mat Assassins Red	Midlothian Miners WC
Junior Terps	Rangers WC	Southern Fury

## ES4 Division

Elementary 4th
84 Athletes
Aggression Legionnaires
Brawler Elite
Capital City WC
Full Circle
Irontide
Mat Assassins
Reaper WC
Warriors WC

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The defending double Mcdonogh Duals Champs, **POWA**, is looking to go back-to-back-to-back in both the MS and ES6 divisions. Having won both divisions now for 2 years straight! And they sure have the firepower to do it. They are the #2 seed in the MS division and #1 in ES6. POWA is projected to do work again this weekend with nationwide stacked rosters of wrestlers who aren't just thrown a squad, but have competed (and won) together before on POWA rosters or others. So many familiar names of up-and-coming top wrestlers who are friends that share similar goals and commitment. It can be an unstoppable force and it has been in the past. We'll dive into their rosters more before the weekend.



... but the **Mat Assassins** ... are relentless. That club is next level and is just simply on a mission every single weekend. And they mean business. Any given day the Mat Assassins are ready to go and they seek out the big matches. The “Iron Sharpens Iron” describes how the Mat Assassins operate. Expect them to be sharp this weekend from the first whistle. 5 teams across 3 divisions other teams will have to watch out for. A #4 seeded squad in MS and a #2 in the ES6 division.

**Team Shutt** is another known powerhouse at all the top tournaments. Always having fun and sharing knowledge amongst top guys from the north, south, east, and west. All corners. Shouldn't need to say much else. You saw the names above. They score big points and have fun doing it. They are the #1 seed in the MS division. Can't speak for them but we have a feeling they're pretty hungry to make a statement and take home gold after several recent top 4 or runner-up finishes in the past year. Their lineup deserves it's own breakdown as well.

**Team Gotcha** is #4 seed in MS. Again, just another squad that even if they seem a little outmatched.. Boom Gotcha! 3 quick pins you didn't see coming. Bunch of top guys on this team as well that you know are ready for battle.

More stats, insight into top rosters, wrestlers, and must-see projected matchups on the way. Stay tuned **ES6 division** we didn't forget about you.

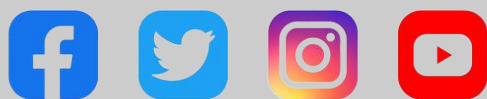
**Cali Red** at the 3 seed

**Buxton** and all their Tyrant hardware over this past year at the 4 seed.

**The ES4 Division** has teams representing: PA, NY, NC, WA, VA but young skilled wrestlers from all over. This will be a round-robin format for their duals to determine the champ and top 4 teams. Look out for highlights we post that you didn't think you'd ever see a 7 year old be capable of! These little scrappers are fierce!



It is expected to be an action packed weekend with tough wrestling on display nonstop. Catch all the action on FloWrestling and follow along on social media [@TyrantWrestling](#).



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