PIAA Class AA State Rankings

Pre-Season

#	School	2015--2016		2014--2015		2013--2014		Head Coach	District
1	Reynolds	S3	23-3	S3	23-4	S2	24-3	Casey Taylor	10
2	Brookville Area	S1	29-0	SQ	18-3	SQ	23-4	Dave Klepfer	9
3	Saucon Valley	S2	26-1	SQ	24-4	SQ	25-4	Chad Shirk	11
4	Southern Columbia	SQ	18-2	-	11-2	-	14-4	Jerry Marks	4
5	Boiling Springs	S4	16-4	S1	18-3	S4	15-3	Rodney Wright	3
6	Wyalusing Valley Area	SQ	22-3	S4	27-2	SQ	19-6	Gary Haley	4
7	Chestnut Ridge	SQ	16-4	S2	16-3	SQ	20-5	Greg Lazor	5
8	Montoursville Area	SQ	24-3	SQ	21-4	SQ	17-9	Jamie Yonkin	4
9	Northern Lebanon	SQ	17-3	SQ	15-4	-	12-1	Rusty Wallace Jr.	3
10	Greenville	SQ	15-7	-	13-3	SQ	21-5	John Reynolds	10
11	Benton Area	-	13-4	SQ	14-4	-	12-7	Bryan Hart	4
12	Huntingdon Area	SQ	18-3	SQ	19-4	SQ	21-3	Jon Mykut	6
13	Freedom Area	SQ	16-3	-	7-6	-	5-8	Jim Covert	7
14	Bermudian Springs	D3	21-2	-	21-2	-	20-6	David McCollum	3
15	Northwestern Lehigh	SQ	20-7	-	12-6	-	4-14	Jim Moll	11
16	Line Mountain	-	16-3	-	20-2	-	12-8	Mike Martz	4
17	Hamburg Area	-	17-4	-	13-6	SQ	21-5	David Kline	3
18	West Branch	-	19-3	SQ	24-3	SQ	22-2	Jason Bainey	6
19	Burrell	SQ	11-7	SQ	12-7	S3	16-4	Josh Shields	7
20	Athens Area	-	12-3	-	14-4	-	6-10	Dale Jarvis	4
21	Mount Union Area	SQ	22-4	-	21-4	-	21-5	Corey Wertz	6
22	Central	-	13-6	-	19-2	-	5-9	Dave Marko	6
23	Lewisburg Area	-	24-4	-	13-11	-	18-7	Jim Synder	4
24	Derry Area	-	17-4	-	13-11	-	9-4	Mike Weinell	7
25	Newport	-	18-3	-	14-5	-	9-10	Mike Capozzoli	3

#1 Reynolds

106 lbs.
Cole Bayless (Fr.)/Adam Wilcox (Fr.)

113 lbs.
Beau Bayless (So.)

120 lbs.
Andrew Isco (So.)

126 lbs.
Gage Bayless (Sr.)

132 lbs.
Hunter Michaels (Jr.)

138 lbs.
Chaise Hauck (Sr.)

145 lbs.
Cole Matthews (Jr.)

152 lbs.
Matt Gosser (Jr.)/Ben Wilcox (Sr).

160 lbs.
Ben Wilcox (Sr.)/Hunter Thompson (So.)

170 lbs.
Hunter Thompson (So.)/Bryce McCloskey

182 lbs.
Gavin Wilkerson (Sr.)/Joel Leise (Sr.)

195 lbs.
Gavin Wilkerson (Sr.)/Joel Leise (Sr.)

220 lbs.
Xavier Coburn (Jr.)/Wyatt Owne (So.)

285 lbs.
Cole Rickert (Sr.)

Ten times Reynolds has left Hershey, PA with PIAA State Dual Team hardware and 2017 will likely be the same. The perennial State power has finished in the top three at Team States over the last four seasons with a third place finish in 2016. The Raiders dropped (29-27) defeat in the semifinals to eventual Champions Brookville Area in a dual that could have been the finals.

This season Reynolds will again be a favorite to capture their fourth career PIAA State Dual Team Championship with a talented group returning. Head Coach Casey Taylor returns six PIAA State Qualifiers four PIAA State Medalists including 2015 PIAA State Champion Cole Matthew. Seniors Chaise Hauck, Gage Bayless and Cole Rickert lead a strong and well balanced line-up.

An added bonus is the addition of senior 2x PIAA State Qualifier Gavin Wilkerson who comes over from neighboring Greenville High School.

Key Losses:

Seth Houge, Gene Ringer.

Key Returners:

Beau Bayless, Gage Bayless, Cole Matthews, Chaise Hauck, Joel Leise, Cole Rickert.

Key Additions:

Cole Bayless, Adam Wilcox, Gavin Wilkerson.

#2 Brookville Area

106 lbs.
Cabe Park (So.)/Parker Fleming (Fr.)

113 lbs.
Brodie Joiner (Jr.)/Cabe Park (So.)

120 lbs.
Keelan Kunselman (Jr.)

126 lbs.
Gavin Park (Sr.)

132 lbs.
Kai Sorbin (Jr.)

138 lbs.
Dontae Constable (Jr.)/Darius Sorbin (Fr.)

145 lbs.
Jacob Campbell (So.)/Zak Gilbert (Sr.)

152 lbs.
Jacob Campbell (So.)/Zak Gilbert (Sr.)

160 lbs.
Josh Keesecker (Sr.)/Cole LaBenne (Fr.)

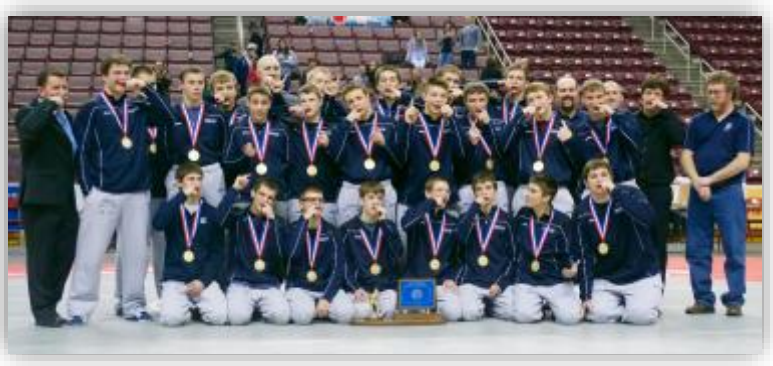
170 lbs.
Caleb Hetrick (Jr.)

182 lbs.
Xavier Molnar (Jr.)/Noah Cieleski (Sr.)

195 lbs.
Xavier Molnar (Jr.)/Noah Cieleski (Sr.)

220 lbs.
Tyler Cook (Jr.)

285 lbs.
Tanner LeBenne (So.)



The 2016 PIAA State Champions went undefeated last season (29-0) winning both the State Dual and Individual State Championship Team titles. Head Coach Dave Kelpfer lost PIAA State Champion Tate Ortz to graduation along with seniors Cole Aaron and Bryce Town.

The Raiders will again be in the hunt for a PIAA State Championship with a ton of talent returning including three PIAA State Medalists Keelan Kunsleman, Gavin Park, and Caleb Hetrick. They will have one of the best upper-weight core from 170 lbs. to Heavyweight. There will be many young wrestlers in the line-up getting their first varsity experience.

Two freshmen who are hoping to make an impact are Darius Sorbin and Cole LaBenne.

Just as it was in 2016 Reynolds and Brookville will likely battle it out for the top spot in Pennsylvania's Class AA.

Key Losses:

Taylor Ortz, Cole Aaron, Dane Clever, Bryce Town.

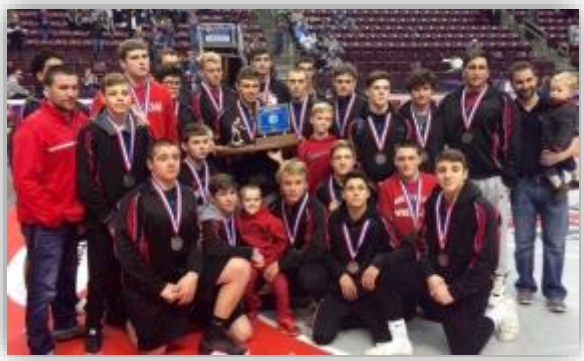
Key Returners:

Keelan Kunsleman, Gavin Park, Kai Sorbin, Caleb Hetrick, Xavier Molnar, Noah Cieleski, Tyler Cook.

Key Additions:

Darius Sorbin, Cole LaBenne.

#3 Saucon Valley



106 lbs.
Thomas Spirk (Fr.)

113 lbs.
Nick Rosengrant (So.)

120 lbs.
Paul Miller (Sr.)

126 lbs.
Andrew Jones (Jr.)

132 lbs.
Josh Jones (So.)

138 lbs.
Dane Csencsits (Fr.)/Kyle Coronado (So.)

145 lbs.
Angelo Mahaffy (Jr.)/Dane Csencsits (Fr.)

152 lbs.
Jason Jones (Jr.)/Justin Kyra (So.)

160 lbs.
Jason Jones (Jr.)/Justin Kyra (So.)

170 lbs.
Jarret Hirschbeck (So.)

182 lbs.
Nate Kehs (Sr.)

195 lbs.
Abraham Lugo (Sr.)/Jared Harka (So.)

220 lbs.
Devin Fontenez (Sr.)

285 lbs.
Trey Polak (Sr.)

The Saucon Valley Panthers had a solid PIAA State Dual Team post-season entering the GIANT Center with an undefeated record. The District 11 Champions advanced into the State Finals where they fell to Brookville Area. Head Coach Chad Shirk will return several top names but will need to replenish a talented 2016 graduation class.

They lost four seniors who qualified for the PIAA State Tournament in 2016 but will return four PIAA State Qualifiers including State Medalist Devin Fontenez.

There will be several wrestlers trying to break onto the varsity scene including rookie Dane Csencits who was a District 11 Junior High Champion. Saucon Valley will battle for the top spot in District 11 and could push for another PIAA Team trophy in Hershey.

Key Losses:

Jack Hill, Jonah Zych, Nathan Harka, Dylan Yonney, Blayne Hirshbeck.

Key Returners:

Nick Rosengrant, Josh Jones, Jason Jones, Devin Fontenez, Trey Polak.

Key Additions:

Dane Csencits.

#4 Southern Columbia Area

106 lbs.
Ethan Johnston (So.)/Gordon English (Fr.)

113 lbs.
Gordon English (Fr.)/Ethan Johnston (So.)

120 lbs.
Jaret Lane (Jr.)

126 lbs.
Shane Casey (Sr.)

132 lbs.
Michael Miner (So.)

138 lbs.
Jake Renn (Jr.)

145 lbs.
Todd Lane (Sr.)

152 lbs.
Cade Linn (Fr.)/Max Tillet (Fr.)

160 lbs.
Cade Linn (Fr.)/Max Tillet (Fr.)

170 lbs.
Preston Zachman (Fr.)/Cal Haladay (Fr.)

182 lbs.
Gaige Garcia (Fr.)/Lear Quinton (Fr.)

195 lbs.
Gaige Garcia (Fr.)

220 lbs.
Connor Fullmer (Jr.)

285 lbs.
Andrew Bell (Jr.)

One team that will benefit from a talented class of rookies in Southern Columbia Area who have four PA Power Wrestling TIF of 2017 including stud #5 Gaige Garcia. The Tigers lost Blake Marks and Steve Toczylousky to graduation but are recharged with a ton of freshmen talent.

A pair of PIAA State Runner-up's, cousins Todd and Jaret Lane, will look to lead a young line-up for Head Coach Jerry Marks. Last season they placed third in the District 4 Dual Team Tournament but want (4-2) at the PIAA State Dual Team Tournament.

Southern Columbia's success this season will, in large part, depend on the performance of those young wrestlers who are expected to compete for the Tigers. The undefeated PIAA State Football Champions, with many wrestlers in the line-up, are in the State playoffs and their season could be extended another two weeks.

Key Losses:

Blake Marks, Steve Toczylousky.

Key Returners:

Jaret Lane, Shane Casey, Todd Lane.

Key Additions:

Cade Linn, Max Tillet, Preston Zachman, Cal Haladay, Cameron Haladay, Gaige Garcia.

#5 Boiling Springs

106 lbs.
Mason Herrara (Fr.)

113 lbs.
Andrew Stafford (Fr.)/Mason Herrara (Fr.)

120 lbs.
Josiah Haulman (Jr.)

126 lbs.
Caleb Holley (Sr.)/Collin Nester (Jr.)

132 lbs.
Kollin Myers (So.)

138 lbs.
Jalin Hankerson (Sr.)

145 lbs.
Tristian Hanshaw (Sr.)

152 lbs.
Cameron Palmer (Sr.)

160 lbs.
Kaiden Karper (Jr.)/Collin Morton (Fr.)

170 lbs.
Colby Tennyson (So.)/Lucas Shoop (So.)

182 lbs.
Nick Kostyak (So.)

195 lbs.
Josh Martin (Fr.)

220 lbs.
Austin Taylor (Jr.)

285 lbs.
Rickie Ott (Sr.)

The Boiling Springs Bubblers have finished in the Top 4 of the PIAA State Dual Team Tournament over the last three seasons winning the State Championship in 2015. Despite falling in the District 3 Championship last season the Bubblers pulled off three solid wins to find themselves in the PIAA State Semifinals where they fell to Saucon Valley. Head Coach Rod Wright and his squad advanced into the consolation finals where they finished fourth.

Several talented seniors have graduated including PIAA State Runner-up Cole Wetzel but a slew of returners will provide Coach Wright with power. PIAA State Runner-up Kollin Myers will return for his sophomore season as well as Clarion recruit Jalin Hankerson.

Never count out the Bubblers who always seem to come through in big matches and the right time. Coach Rod Wright is able to develop young wrestlers which is what will need to be done in 2017 if they will make it four straight years leaving Hershey with hardware.

Key Losses:

Cole Wetzel, AJ Kostyak, Travis Wickard.

Key Returners:

Kollin Myers, Caleb Holly, Jalin Hankerson, Tristian Hanshaw, Austin Taylor.

Key Additions:

Mason Herrara.

PIAA Class AAA State Rankings

Pre-Season

#	School	2015--2016		2014 -- 2015		2013 -- 2014		Head Coach	District
1	Bethlehem Catholic	S1	20-1	S3	14-1	S1	18-0	Jeff Karam	11
2	Nazareth Area	S4	19-4	-	13-7	S3	18-4	Dave Crowell	11
3	Kiski Area	SQ	23-2	-	13-4	-	16-3	Chris Heater	7
4	North Allegheny	-	8-8	S4	19-5	SQ	16-3	Sonny Abe	7
5	Northampton Area	-	7-8	-	9-7	-	9-8	Seth Lisa	11
6	Canon-McMillan	SQ	12-4	-	11-4	D4	16-2	Jason Cardillo	7
7	Cumberland Valley	SQ	16-4	S2	20-2	S4	20-3	Dave Heckard	3
8	Council Rock South	SQ	18-3	SQ	14-4	SQ	15-2	Brad Silimperi	1
9	Belle Vernon Area	S3	20-2	SQ	22-3	-	17-3	Mike Doppelheuer	7
10	Cathedral Prep	SQ	16-3	D2	10-5	-	8-4	Mike Hahesy	10
11	Exeter Township	SQ	22-5	SQ	19-6	SQ	22-7	Jonathan Rugg	3
12	Central Dauphin	SQ	23-3	SQ	22-4	SQ	18-5	Jeff Sweigard	3
13	Central Mountain	D2	15-1	D2	11-1	SQ	15-3	Biff Walizer	6
14	Boyertown Area	S2	22-1	SQ	20-2	SQ	25-2	Pete Ventresca	1
15	Wilson	-	18-5	-	11-6	SQ	20-6	Ken Thomason	3
16	Upper Darby	SQ	22-5	-	18-4	-	17-5	Bob Martin	1
17	Spring Grove Area	-	12-3	-	13-4	-	20-4	Tony Miller	3
18	Parkland	-	15-5	SQ	19-5	SQ	21-4	Ryan Nunamaker	11
19	Easton Area	-	16-4	-	16-7	-	13-8	JaMarr Billman	11
20	Waynesburg Central	-	14-5	-	16-5	-	7-10	Joe Throckmorton	7
21	Mifflin County	SQ	17-6	SQ	17-5	-	17-5	Kirby Martin	6
22	Franklin Regional	-	15-4	S1	22-1	S1	23-1	Matt Lebe	7
23	McDowell	-	11-7	-	12-7	SQ	9-1	Mike Caro	10
24	Chambersburg Area	-	9-4	-	7-5	-	10-5	Matt Mentzer	3
25	General McLane	-	12-4	SQ	14-3	D2	13-5	Ryan Cook	10

#1 Bethlehem Catholic

106 lbs.
Dillon Murphy (So.)/Nathan Lackman (So.)

113 lbs.
Zach Glenn (Jr.)/Matthew Lackman (Fr.)

120 lbs.
Cole Handlovic (Fr.)/Kenny Herrmann (Fr.)

126 lbs.
Ryan Anderson (So.)

132 lbs.
Luke Carty (Sr.)/Colin Reddington (Sr.)

138 lbs.
Luca Frinzi (So.)/Mikey Lewis (Jr.)

145 lbs.
Jarred Papcsy (Jr.)/Garhett Gibson (So.)

152 lbs.
Ryan Zeiner (Jr.)/Joe Kurtz (So.)

160 lbs.
Tavion Banks (Fr)/Luc Mauro (Jr.)

170 lbs.
Michael Labriola (Sr.)

182 lbs.
Robert Spezza (Jr.)

195 lbs.
Jody Crouse (Sr.)

220 lbs.
Jase Crouse (So.)

285 lbs.
Niko Camacho (Sr.)

The 6x PIAA State Dual Team Champions will again be in the hunt for a State Championship in 2017. Last season Head Coach Jeff Karam and the Golden Hawks captured their first career Class AAA State Championship and look primed for a repeat.

Although they lost PIAA State Champions Luke Karam and Joey Gould to graduation, returning are several NCAA Division I recruits including State Champion Mikey Labriola and PIAA Medalists Zach Glenn and Niko Camacho.

The National power will also benefit from several newcomers including five freshmen who were featured on the TIF Report of 2017. Leading those rookies are Cole Handlovic, Kenny Herrmann, and Tavion Banks. Additionally, transfers Dillon Murphy and Robert Spezza will add balance to an already star studded line-up.

Key Losses:

Luke Karam, Joey Gould, Cole Karam, Stephen Maloney, Adam Soldridge.

Key Returners:

Zach Glenn, Ryan Anderson, Luke Carty, Jarred Papscy, Mikey Labriola, Jody Crouse, Niko Camacho.

Key Additions:

Kenny Herrmann, Cole Handlovic, Tavion Banks, Dillon Murphy, Robert Spezza.

#2 Nazareth Area

106 lbs.
Andrew Cerniglia (Fr.)

113 lbs.
Sean Pierson (So.)

120 lbs.
Ryan O'Grady (Jr.)

126 lbs.
Trevor Tarsi (Sr.)

132 lbs.
Ian Pulli (Jr.)

138 lbs.
Nathan Stefanik (Fr.)

145 lbs.
Sammy Sasso (Jr.)

152 lbs.
Tommy Manos (So.)

160 lbs.
Brock Wilson (Sr.)

170 lbs.
Travis Stefanik (Sr.)

182 lbs.
Cade Wilson (Jr.)

195 lbs.
AJ Vlasaty (Sr.)

220 lbs.
Tucker Klump (So.)

285 lbs.
Mohamed Marchese (Jr.)

One of the most impressive teams in 2017 will be the high scoring Nazareth Area Blue Eagles. Last season Head Coach Dave Crowell added yet another PIAA State Dual Team trophy to the case with a fourth place finish in Hershey.

Nazareth returns majority of their line-up including six returning PIAA State Qualifiers and three PIAA State Medalists. Leading the group are 2x PIAA State Medalist Sammy Sasso, FloNationals Champion Travis Stefanick and PIAA State Runner-up Brock Wilson. Their biggest departure to graduation was 2x PIAA State Champion Tyson Klump but several young studs are more than willing to jump into his place.

Rookie Andrew Cerniglia, a PA Power TIF of 2017, projects to have an immediate impact at either 106 or 113. They will give BECA a serious challenge in both District 11 and the State in what expects to be a tight dual.

Key Losses:

Tyson Klump, Ricky Fornaciari.

Key Returners:

Sean Pierson, Ryan O'Grady, Trevor Tarsi, Sammy Sasso, Brock Wilson, Travis Stefanik, Cade Wilson.

Key Additions:

Andrew Cerniglia

#3 Kiski Area

106 lbs.
Julian Jones (So.)

113 lbs.
Darren Miller (So.)

120 lbs.
Matt Siszka (Sr.)

126 lbs.
Noah Levett (Jr.)

132 lbs.
Jack Blumer (Fr.)

138 lbs.
Cam Connor (So.)

145 lbs.
Joey Blumer (Sr.)

152 lbs.
Collin Murray (So.)/Nick Delp (Fr.)

160 lbs.
Logan Pollick (Jr.)/Brad Nagy (Sr.)

170 lbs.
Vinny Romano (Sr.)/Danny Starr (Jr.)

182 lbs.
Vinny Romano (Sr.)/Danny Starr (Jr.)

195 lbs.
Tommy Starr (Sr.)

220 lbs.
Zack Insko (So.)

285 lbs.
Isaac Reid (Jr.)

There will be very few holes in the Kiski Area line-up this season with a solid group encompassing the Cavaliers. Head Coach Chris Heater will have plenty of options throughout the line-up as he returns eleven wrestlers that all had winning varsity records including PIAA State Medalists Joey Blumer, Noah Levett, and Isaac Reid.

Sophomores Darren Miller and Cam Connor are primed for successful seasons after each grabbed over 25 wins as freshmen. In 2016 Kiski Area was impressive at the PIAA State Dual Team Tournament defeating District 3 Champions Cumberland Valley in the first round and falling one point shy of a semifinal appearance. In the quarterfinals Kiski and Nazareth battled to a (32-32) deadlock which Nazareth won on criteria. The Cavaliers then won two duals in the consolation round before falling to Belle Vernon.

Depth is the key to Kiski Area's success this season and expect a ton of talent from the program.

Key Losses:

Alex Delp, Tyler Worthing, Chad Kuhn.

Key Returners:

Darren Miller, Cam Connor, Noah Levett, Matt Siszka, Joey Blumer, Vinny Romano, Isaac Reid.

Key Additions:

Jack Blumer, Nick Delp.

#4 North Allegheny

106 lbs.
Frederick Junko (Fr.)

113 lbs.
Jacob Downing (Jr.)

120 lbs.
Gabe Falo (Jr.)

126 lbs.
Nick Marcenelle (Fr.)

132 lbs.
Luke Landefeld (Sr.)

138 lbs.
Zach Stedeford (Sr.)/Will Bairel (Sr.)

145 lbs.
Jake Hinkson (Sr.)

152 lbs.
AJ Boeh (Sr.)/Jon Hoover (So.)

160 lbs.
Eric Hong (Sr.)

170 lbs.
Sean Hoover (Sr.)/Jacob Smalley (Jr.)

182 lbs.
Jacob Fritch (Sr.)

195 lbs.
Jake Woodley (Sr.)

220 lbs.
Kevin Tang (Sr.)

285 lbs.
Derek Devine (Jr.)

Last season there was a lot of hype surrounding the North Allegheny Tigers to start the season but a series of injuries hampered their success as a dual team. Head Coach Sonny Abe will again return a considerable group led by PIAA State Champion Jake Woodley.

With five returning PIAA State Qualifiers and two PIAA State Medalists North Allegheny will push for a top spot in the WPIAL. One considerable loss is the transfer of Francis Duggan who returned home to Central Pennsylvania after spending a season in Wexford.

The biggest addition to the program came a few weeks ago when National Prep stud Eric Hong enrolled at North Allegheny. The 2x National Prep Finalist and 2014 National Prep Champion returned home to the Pittsburgh area for his senior season. The Oakmont, PA native will make an tremendous impact for an already impressive middle-weight.

Key Losses:

Francis Duggan, Sean Kalmeyer.

Key Returners:

Jacob Downing, Luke Landefeld, Jake Hinkson, AJ Boeh, Sean Hoover, Jake Woodley.

Key Additions:

Frederick Junko, Eric Hong.

#5 Northampton Area

106 lbs.
Ethan Szerencsits (Fr.)

113 lbs.
Logan Ninos (Jr.)

120 lbs.
Julian Chlebove (So.)

126 lbs.
Dan Moran (Sr.)

132 lbs.
KJ Fenstermacher (Sr.)

138 lbs.
Devon Britton (So.)

145 lbs.
Michael Kistler (So.)

152 lbs.
Chance Wandler (Jr.)

160 lbs.
Zack Rooks (Sr.)

170 lbs.
Shaun Miller (So.)

182 lbs.
Cade Moisey (Sr.)

195 lbs.
Curtis Heckman (Sr.)

220 lbs.
Austin Britton (Sr.)

285 lbs.
Alex Darabaris (Sr.)

From 113 lbs. to 145 lbs. Northampton Area will be solid but it is how the other half performs that will dictate the success of the Konkrete Kids. The trio of TIF of 2016 return with a year of high school competition under their belt with Julian Chlebove, Devon Britton, and Michael Kistler. Chlebove leads the charge as a 2016 PIAA State Champion his rookie season.

A pair of returning seniors add experience and consistency for head coach Seth Lisa with 3x PIAA State Medalist and Lehigh recruit Dan Moran along with Cade Moisey. Additionally, a new Konkrete Kid is in town as 2x PIAA State Medalist KJ Fenstermacher transferred in during the off season from Liberty. The Pitt recruit will add yet another layer to the middle-weights.

Some may think this is a favorable rank for a team that went (7-8) a season ago but I think the pieces are in place for a successful season.

Key Losses:

Mark Schuon.

Key Returners:

Logan Ninos, Julian Chlebove, Dan Moran, Devon Britton, Michael Kistler, Cade Moisey.

Key Additions:

KJ Fenstermacher.