



Ohio Wrestling Officials Association



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RE: Three new banners to be used at the OHSAA State Wrestling Tournaments
(Phase 1 of a potential multi-phase project)

Dear Member Associations of the OWOA:

The Executive Committee of the OWOA asks for your support, and more importantly your generosity, in contributing to the cost to manufacture three (3) new wrestling banners to be strategically placed at the Schottenstein Athletic Center during the OHSAA Individual State Wrestling Championship Tournaments. Our long time and highly respected official, Steve Long, has kindly offered to design the illustration of the wrestlers, and possibly the officials, on these banners. This project is intended to be the first phase of a multi-phase project to completely encircle the Schottenstein Center with banners depicting wrestlers, coaches and officials.

Of equal importance, if not more so, is the fact that this project offers us an opportunity to work in collaboration with the High School Wrestling Coaches Association as well as the OHSAA. This project is a joint endeavor of all three (3) organizations; with each contributing to the cost of the development and manufacture of these banners. The initial estimated cost for the three (3) banners needed for the first phase is approximately \$7,000, a cost to be shared equally between all three groups, that is, the State of Ohio High School Wrestling Officials, the State of Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches, and the OHSAA.

Our (the wrestling officials) contribution to this first phase of the project would be approximately \$2,335. There are 18 local Wrestling Officials Associations that are members of the OWOA. Your Executive Committee is requesting each Association to consider contributing \$150 per Association to this first phase. Your kind consideration of this request is sincerely appreciated by your Executive Committee, the High School Wrestling Coaches Association, and the OHSAA.

This is not only a great opportunity for all of us to contribute back to the high school sport of wrestling which we love so deeply, but more importantly, provides us an opportunity to assist the High School Wrestling Coaches and the OHSAA in their goal to make and keep the OHSAA Ohio High School Individual State Wrestling Tournament the best in the country.

We, the Executive Board of the OWOA, are confident that each Association will give this request their serious attention and their support to the best of their ability. If you need more information as to this endeavor, feel free to have one of your officers contact Ray Anthony, Sr. who is spearheading this great project on behalf of the Ohio Wrestling Officials.

Again, thank you sincerely for your kind consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

Ray Anthony, Sr.
Executive Committee Member

OWOA State Clinic 11-12-16 @ Little Bear Golf Course
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OHSAA Tour. 3/9-11-17 at Ohio State University.
OWOA.org or at OHSAA.org "Wrestling"