

Early predictions by the Numbers

3A SC Wrestling 2020-2021

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Apologies in advance if I miscalculated points at the state tournament or missed a move of classification. Just want to provide some content as the season gets closer

Still one set of Warriors in 3A

Indian Land has enjoyed being the state champion Warriors for the past two years but the Warriors of West Oak are the only ones left in 3A after the new realignment and I am sure they are fine with that. Indian Land and May River move up to 4A leaving very few that can challenge Coach Brewer and West Oak for the state title this year. Coach Brewer has state champs; A.J. Dickerson and Ryan Dobbs coming back as well as runner up Josh Collins but he will look to some unproven youth to get them back to the top. Another state title for Greg Brewer would put him in the top 10 of coaches with state titles

Contenders

The contenders will be interesting here. Powdersville is the first to come to mind. They return 47 points from the state tournament in 4 placers/qualifiers. Coach Mascaro has been building something solid in Powdersville and he will have to fill in a few more pieces to make a run at West Oak. BHP is the other team that I think can make a run at West Oak. Coming down from 4A makes you think they do have a bit of an advantage and it does not hurt to bring a returning state champ with you (Will Hendricks). Coach Strickland will no doubt be excited for a region showdown with West Oak.

Sleepers

Not really sure anyone else has a shot at West Oak other than the two mentioned above but I am interested in 3A Lower State. North Charleston comes up from 1A/2A and has four coming back with experience at the state tournament. Those boys are always strong and athletic. They can surprise you if you relax for just a second. The other team to keep an eye on is Brooklyn-Cayce. They return the most placers/qualifiers from 2020 in all of 3A even though they came down from 4A. That kind of experience could push a graduation depleted Gilbert for a lower state title? All of this is based on numbers but should still be fun to watch.

New Schools Coming Up-North Charleston

New Schools Coming Down-BHP, Palmetto, Lower Richland, Berea, Blue Ridge, Brooklyn Cayce

| Schools | Returning Individual State Points | Returning State Champions, Placers, Qualifiers |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| West Oak | 61 | 2-1-0 |
| Powdersville | 47 | 0-3-0 |
| BHP | 29 | 1-0-3 |
| North Charleston | 25 | 0-2-2 |
| Chapman | 16.5 | 0-1-1 |
| Woodruff | 15 | 0-1-0 |
| Brooklyn-Cayce | 13 | 0-1-4 |
| Aynor | 11 | 0-1-2 |
| Hanahan | 7 | 0-1-3 |
| Gilbert | 6 | 0-4-0 |
| Battery Creek | 6 | 0-0-2 |