

Avonworth Wrestling Program is in Trouble

Not only do college get cut but now a small Local school is in danger of being cut. We are on the chopping board to be cut from the athletic options at Avonworth High School. We are a co-op with Northgate High School and that would mean Men and Women from both schools then would not have a option of wrestling in the winter months. As most of you know we are a small program but we do our best to battle everyone we wrestle the best we can. Some of our history:

2004 - 2005 6-18 4 WPIAL qualifiers
2005 - 2006 12-14 3 WPIAL qualifiers 1 State Place winner
2006 - 2007 5 - 14 2 WPIAL qualifiers
2007 - 2008 7-10 6 WPIAL qualifiers
2008 - 2009 7-10 5 WPIAL qualifiers 1 WPIAL Place winner

Everyone knows wrestling is a battle on and off the mat. I have been wrestling since I was 5 years old, and I was lucky to be in a large wrestling community of Ridgway Pennsylvania and from there I wrestled for Pitt @ Johnstown and Finished my wrestling at Edinboro University. All these are great places to wrestler and I have life long memories and friends from this. I want the same opportunity for all the young people in these 2 school districts and I will be a little selfish, I have 4 boys and I want them to also have those opportunities. I honestly believe I would not have the job I have today or be were I am today without wrestling and the people I have met along the way in wrestling. I am not a teach at the school so coaching is even harder, I work Downtown Pittsburgh in the software industry and have been lucky to find a place that is flexible with me coaching.

What would be great from everyone if you would please contact the people below, Avonworth currently does not have a Athletic Director so email these people and let them know what wrestling means to you and If you have wrestled for Avonworth/Northgate or wrestled against us let them know how you feel. Wish us luck also because there is a athletic board meeting Monday 4/5 and again at Northgate on 4/12. Please forward this on to anyone you know that could help us.

Thank you all for your time.

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