



MENTOR PROGRAM

Welcome to the St. Louis Wrestling Officials Mentor Program. This program has been designed to help officials become better officials and set guidelines to achieve this in a professional manner. A lot of research has taken place to put this program together from several programs across the United States. SLWOA believes it is a unique program to help this Association become an innovative Association and set the bar higher than ever.

General Guidelines

New officials and current officials that will take part in this program will be known as Mentees and the training Officials will be known as Mentors.

1. Mentees will be evaluated for the first two years unless the Mentors believe the Mentee has the skills and knowledge to allow them to be released for Varsity matches.
2. Mentees will be allowed to officiate varsity matches by themselves, once three or more Mentors have agreed to the status of the Mentee. Mentees would be allowed to officiate if they have an assistant Varsity Official (not necessarily a Mentor) or if no other official is available.
3. Any current lower level Official (Little League, Freshman or JV), with 2 years membership with SLWOA, has the opportunity to be evaluated by the Mentors for approval to officiate varsity matches.
4. New Officials will be permitted to do lower level (Little League, 7th & 8th grade, Freshman and Junior Varsity) without a Mentor. Varsity matches will be allowed once three or more Mentors, along with the opinion of the MSHSAA Interpreters and/or Evaluators, have evaluated the Official.
5. Any Official wanting to be a Mentor must be approved by the SLWOA Board and agree to follow the guidelines as set forth by the Board.
6. Nick Rallo must approve all match assignments to confirm the official is qualified for the new assignment.
7. Mentees will be evaluated at the end of each event by the evaluator and should receive a written review of the event within 48 hours.

It is the goal of this program to help as many Officials as possible become better Officials.