



SEAMAN WRESTLING



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2019-20 Seaman High School Wrestling season preview

Head Coach:
Patrick Kelly (12th year)

Assistant Coaches:
Dawson Elliott, Tim Horgan, Jon Ray,
Cole Schreiner

2018-19 Dual record: 13-12

2018-19 Centennial League finish: 4th

2018-19 Regional finish: 7th

2018-19 State finish: 24th

Top Returners

(name, year, wgt class, 2018-19 record, career record, credentials)

Landon Willard (12), 145, 29-12, 79-53
2X State Qualifier

Dylan Williams (12), 160, 34-17, 74-50
State Qualifier, State 5th place

Cameron Smith (12), 132, 22-20, 42-41
State Qualifier

Austin Lady (12), 113, 21-20, 21-20
State Qualifier

Baily Meredith (12), 152, 15-23, 26-45
2X State Qualifier

Blake Smith (12), 170, 21-23, 21-23
State Qualifier

Ezra Shove (12), 220, 15-23, 18-25
State Qualifier

Chandler Buessing (11), 120, 25-24, 34-39
State Qualifier

Kyle Adams (11), 113, 21-8, 26-25
2X State Qualifier

Top Newcomers:

Justin Kruse (10) 106 pounds

Ewan Mills (11) 285 pounds



The 2019-20 season looks to be an improvement over the last several team performances. Nine individuals on the roster have State experience, including the first returning place-winner in three seasons. The team has eleven seniors on the roster; the most since at least the 2007-08 season.

Dylan Williams returns for his senior season after an outstanding finish to his junior campaign when he placed 5th at 160 pounds in Class 5A. After a productive off-season, Williams is poised for a memorable finish to his high school career. He enters the season just twenty-six wins shy of the century mark.



*2019 State Medalist,
Dylan Williams*

Landon Willard is seeking his first podium finish at State after qualifying as a freshman and sophomore. An injury at Regionals last season prevented him from his third State Qualifier credential. Twenty-one wins will put him at one hundred for his career.

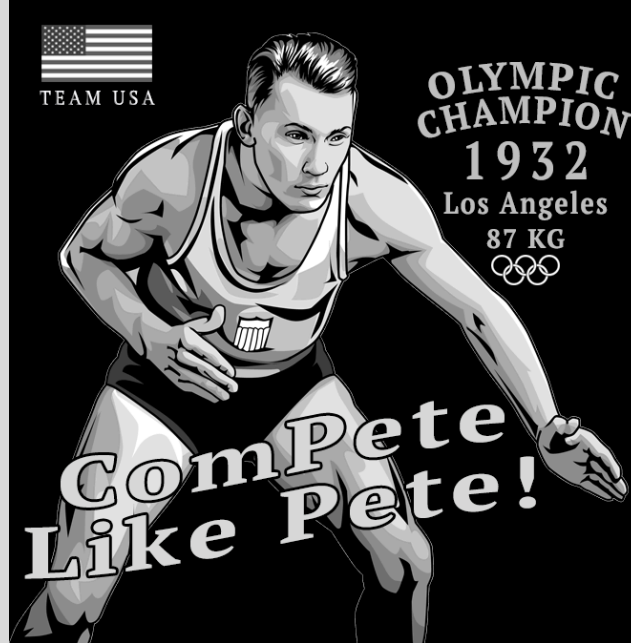
Both Willard and Williams are also chasing accolades in the number of "Falls in a Season" category. They had twenty-two and twenty-three respectively a season ago. The all-time record at Seaman stands at thirty-one.

Baily Meredith and Kyle Adams have qualified for State the past two seasons and are looking for more in 2019-20. Brothers Cameron and Blake Smith, along with Austin Lady, Ezra Shove, and Chandler Buessing round out the State Qualifier list from 2018-19. Shove is the only returner among this list with a win from the 2019 State tournament.

This year's theme is "ComPete like Pete" in recognition of Peter Mehringer; the only Olympic Champion in the sport of Wrestling to hail from the Sunflower State. Mehringer won two State titles at Kinsley High School before earning All-American honors for KU. He was an Olympic Champion at the 1932 Olympics, which were hosted in Los Angeles.

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2019-20



Date	Competition/Event
December 7, 2019	Riley County Dual Tournament (V)
	Emporia Tourney (JV)
December 13-14, 2019	Colby Dual Tourney (V)
December 14, 2019	Shawnee Heights Tourney (JV)
December 18, 2019	Shawnee Heights Dual (V/JV)
December 20, 2019	Council Grove Tourney (JV)
December 21, 2019	Al DeLeon Invitational (V) (Britt, IA)
January 11, 2020	Seaman Duals (V)
	Seaman JV Tourney
January 14, 2020	Emporia/Paola Double Dual (V/JV) (HOME)
January 18, 2020	Kapaun Tournament (V)
	St. Marys Tourney (JV)
January 24, 2020	Holton JV Tourney
January 24-15, 2020	BVNW Tourney (V)
January 31, 2020	Manhattan JV Tourney (JV)
February 1, 2020	Chanute Tourney (V)
February 8, 2020	Centennial League Tourney (V) (Emporia)
	Silver Lake Tourney (JV)
February 15, 2020	Burlington Tourney (JV)
February 21-22, 2020	Regional Tourney (V)
February 28-29, 2020	State Tourney (V)
March 5, 2020	Post-Season Gathering