

Seeding Mechanics and Criteria

USA Wrestling's Performance Index (PIN)

USA Wrestling's Performance Index (PIN) will be used for seeding the NYSPHSAA Girls Wrestling Championships starting with the 2024-25 season. All Girls Sectional Championships and any regular season girls freestyle tournaments are encouraged (though not required) to utilize USA Wrestling's Performance Index (PIN) for seeding.

About USA Wrestling's Performance Index (PIN)

- The USA Wrestling Performance Index (PIN) measures consistency over time and rates the probability of a person winning against an opponent based on their bodies of work. This is the primary tool used for seeding all major USA Wrestling competitions held throughout the United States.
- A person with a higher PIN is considered more likely to beat someone with a lower PIN and the closer the PINs are between athletes, the closer the probability gets to 50/50 chances.
- This does not reward the one-time win or head-to-head over an opponent. What it does reward is an athlete's consistency over time. If you consistently beat people with higher PINs, you will gain PIN points to surpass them in the index, given that you do not lose to lesser competition along the way.
- The more you wrestle, the more opportunity you have to change your PIN.
- The baseline number for a person's PIN is 1,000 points. The more points your PIN has above 1,000 reflects positive success against your opponents.

PIN Numbers Updated Weekly Using Trackwrestling

- The USA Wrestling Performance Index (PIN) system will automatically pull all match results from the girls portal in Trackwrestling every Monday in order to generate updated PINs for each athlete. In order to maintain the most up-to-date PINs for every athlete, all results from the current week **MUST** be entered into the girls portal of Trackwrestling by end of day on Sunday. If results are not entered into Trackwrestling, they will not be accounted for in the updated PINs for the upcoming week's events.
- The USA Wrestling Performance Index (PIN) system will **NOT** utilize results from mixed competition matches or folkstyle matches in calculating a PIN.

Using PIN Numbers for Seeding

- Athletes in each weight class will be sorted in numerical order from highest to lowest based on PIN. Seeding will then be applied in that same order with the highest PIN receiving the 1st seed, the second highest PIN receiving the 2nd seed, etc.
- In the event of an exact tie, seeding will be determined based on the following criteria (all criteria **MUST** be from the current girls high school freestyle season; results from mixed competition matches or folkstyle matches should **NOT** be utilized): (a) most recent head-to-head; (b) most pins; (c) most technical falls; (d) most wins; (e) highest win percentage.