**THSPA - Region 2 – Division 1** (5A & 6A schools)

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Coaches-

Welcome to 2024 powerlifting season. You will find some useful information enclosed in this letter. Good luck to all coaches and lifters. I hope the season is productive.

**THSPA MEMBERSHIP DUES**

They must be post marked by **January 24, 2024**. On the THSPA website, you can locate the Membership Form. Member schools will posted on this website for you to verify your dues were received by THSPA. Please don’t wait until the last minute to check. Dues are $75.00 per school. Mail the membership form and check to:

**THSPA**

**Box 1072**

**Crowley, Texas 76036**

**DUES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 24, 2024. ANY SCHOOL THAT** WISHES **TO LIFT IN THE REGIONAL MEET WILL PAY A $200.00 FINE BEFORE A LIFTER CAN COMPETE. THIS FINE MUST BE PAID BY THE MONDAY BEFORE THE LAST QUALIFIERS MEET, FEBRUARY 19, 2024 OR THE SCHOOL’S LIFTERS WILL NOT BE ELGIBLE TO COMPETE AT REGIONALS OR STATE.**

**W-9 FORMS**

If your school requires a W-9 form from THSPA, then the THSPA Website has an updated copy online. Please let your finance department know this

**2024 RULEBOOKS**

Rulebooks can be downloaded from the THSPA website. Check the 2024 Rulebook at the beginning of the season for any rule changes.

**INVITATIONAL MEETS**

Dual meets are no longer allowed. Tri and Quad meets must have all judges being certified. All meet results must be sent via-e-mail as a .psm file attachment. PowerScore software is provided free to member schools and the Meet Director must have the latest version downloaded from the THSPA website. Meet results are due by 4:00pm the Monday following your meet. I will not accept results after this time. It is your responsibility to tell the meet director to send them to me. If something was to occur and you cannot have the results to me, make sure to contact before the deadline.

All meets must **NO** longer be certified through the THSPA website prior to you hosting the meet, however I need you to send me an email the week of your meet. So I will be anticipating your results by Sunday. Meet results from schools that have not paid membership dues by the deadline will be withheld or dropped from the standings.

**REGIONAL STANDINGS & LIFTER / SCHOOL NAMES**

Results are posted on the THSPA website. Check the standings weekly. If an error occurs in a lifters’ or schools name, send me an email so I can correct them. Please don’t use all CAPITAL LETTERS when hosting a meet.

**LAST CHANCE TO QUALIFY MEETS**

The last date to qualify is Feb 24th, 2024. All results from these Last Chance meets must be received by 12:00 midnight on this date to be counted. This is important, because everyone is sending in results across the region. If you do not see your lifters results, please contact the meet host first. Meets not submitted on time will not be uploaded on the site.

**WEIGHT CLASS DECLARATIONS**

The deadline for declaring a lifter who has qualified for the regional meet in more than one weight class or who is scratched is Monday, Feb 26th, 2024 at 4:00pm. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ENRTY FEE AFTER THIS DATE IF A LIFTER IS SCRATCHED.**

**WEIGHT CUTTING OR GAINING WARNING**

THSPA does not condone athletes cutting or gaining weight. Excessive weight loss or weight gain to a lifter can result in harm to the athlete’s health. THSPA wants the health of your lifters to be held in upmost regard. There is no rule against this type of training just a warning that THSPA or any Regional Directors will not be held liable for lifters who chose to cut or gain excessive weight.

**REGIONAL MEET**

Saturday March 9th, 2024 the regional meet will be held at Joshua High School in Joshua, Texas. I will post more information as we get closer, so check the THSPA website.

**SCHOLARSHIPS & ACADEMIC ALL-STAR NOMINATIONS**

Paperwork for scholarships is due at the Regional Meet and can be found in the Rulebook. Coaches will nominate their Academic All-Star lifters online. There should be more information posted on the website at a later date.

**STATE MEET INFORMATION**

The State Meet will be held at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene on March 22nd – 23rd, 2024. Division 2 and 3 will be on the 22nd, while Divisions 1 and 4 will be on the 23rd. More information will follow, so check the website for updates on this.

We are all coaches. Getting a hold of me on the phone can be difficult. But, please don’t hesitate to call, text, or email me if I can help or be of any assistance to you. E-mail is the best way to contact me. I wish all of you the best of luck in the upcoming season. Let’s make Region 2 the strongest region in the THSPA!

Thank you,

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