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### ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Merrimack Youth Association Wrestling Program, to be referred to in these bylaws as the Program.

### ARTICLE II: OBJECT

The object of this Program shall be to promote the sport of Wrestling in the Town of Merrimack, New Hampshire; and to provide an opportunity for the youth of Merrimack to learn and enjoy the sport of Wrestling regardless of ability.

### ARTICLE III: MEMBERS

Any parent or legal guardian of a child that is registered to wrestle in the Merrimack Youth Association Wrestling Program shall be a member of the Program during the season said child is registered and shall continue to be a member until the first practice of the following season; in addition, any Program volunteer coach who is at least eighteen years old, or any Program Board member, shall be a member of the Program.

### ARTICLE IV: AFFILIATIONS

#### Section 1: MYA

The Program is a participating sports program within the Merrimack Youth Association. The Program, as a part of the Merrimack Youth Association, shall make no policy or rule that conflicts with the bylaws or rules of the Merrimack Youth Association.

#### Section 2:

The Program shall be a member of the New Hampshire Youth Wrestling Association. The Director of the Program shall be the representative director to the New Hampshire Youth Wrestling Association.

### ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

#### Section 1: Officers

The mandatory officers of the Program shall be a Director, an Assistant Director, and a Treasurer.

The optional officers are, a Secretary, an Equipment Manager, a Scheduler and a Fundraising Manager.

#### Section 2: Nomination Procedure, Time of Elections

The officers shall be elected at the regular annual meeting in April. Nominations shall be from the floor at the March Board meeting or by email.

#### Section 3: Ballot Election, Term of Office

The officers shall be elected by ballot to serve for one year or until their successors are elected, and their term of office shall begin at the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected.

### ARTICLE VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

#### Section 1: Director

The Director shall perform those duties prescribed by these bylaws, those duties prescribed for the Program Director in the Merrimack Youth Association bylaws, and other such duties applicable to the office of 'President' as prescribed by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Program. The Director shall appoint coaches and ensure that adequate background checks are accomplished for all coaches.

#### Section 2: Asst. Director

The Assistant Director shall: perform the Director's duties in the Director's absence; assume the office of Director for the unexpired term in the event of a vacancy in the office of Director; and shall perform all other duties prescribed by these bylaws, those duties prescribed for the Assistant Program Director in the Merrimack Youth Association bylaws, and other such duties applicable to the office of 'Vice President' as prescribed by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Program.

#### Section 3: Secretary

The Secretary shall perform those duties prescribed by these bylaws, those duties prescribed for the Program Secretary in the Merrimack Youth Association bylaws, and other such duties applicable to the office as prescribed by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Program.

The Secretary shall also serve as registrar of the Program, and as such shall have charge of the records of the registered youth participants.

#### Section 4: Treasurer

The Treasurer shall perform those duties prescribed by these bylaws, those duties prescribed for the Program Treasurer in the Merrimack Youth Association bylaws, and other such duties applicable to the office as prescribed by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Program.

#### Section 5: Equipment Manager

The Equipment Manager shall: act as liaison between the Program Board and the coaches and teams; recommend, get quotes and purchase equipment upon approval of the board; set up for home Wrestling meets and tournaments; and perform other such duties as prescribed by these bylaws.

#### Section 6: Scheduler

The Scheduler shall: work with the board to enlist coaches for the program; schedule referees for any home tournaments; work with the High School wrestlers on the mentoring program; register MYA Youth wrestlers for various tournaments.

#### Section 7: Fundraising Manager

The Fundraising Manager shall: organize and manage the fundraising efforts of the Program; report on fundraising activities to the Program Board and the membership; and perform other such duties as prescribed by these bylaws.

### ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS

#### Section 1: Regular annual meeting

The regular annual meeting of the Program shall be held in April at a date, time, and location determined by the Program Board, and shall be for the purpose of electing officers, receiving reports of officers and committees, and for any other business that may arise. Notice of the date, time, and location of the annual meeting shall be provided by the Program Board at least 30 days in advance of the meeting.

#### Section 2: Special meetings

Special meetings of the membership may be called by the Director or by the Program Board, and shall be called upon the written request of five (5) members

of the Program. The purpose of the special meeting shall be stated in the call, and except in cases of emergency, at least three days' notice shall be given.

#### Section 3: Notice of meetings

Notice, or the call, of a meeting of the membership shall be provided by posting on the Program web site, if one is available, and by mailing to known Program members.

#### Section 4: Quorum

The quorum at any regular or properly called meeting of the membership consists of a simple majority of the current Program Board.

### ARTICLE VIII: PROGRAM BOARD

#### Section 1: Board Composition

The officers of the Program shall constitute the Program Board.

#### Section 2: Board's Duties and Powers

The Program Board shall have full power and authority over the affairs of the Program except as otherwise provided for in these bylaws.

#### Section 3: Board Meetings

Regular meetings of the Program Board shall be held each once a month from September to June, inclusive, on a date and time to be determined by the board at least 30 days in advance of each meeting. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the Director and shall be called upon the written request of two members of the board. The purpose of the special meeting of the board shall be stated in the call, and except in cases of emergency, at least three days' notice shall be given.

### ARTICLE IX: COMMITTEES

Such committees not otherwise provided for in these bylaws, standing or special, shall be appointed by the Director as the Program or the Program Board shall from time to time deem necessary to carry on the work of the Program. The Director shall be ex officio a member of all committees.

### ARTICLE X: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Program in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws, Merrimack Youth Association bylaws and any special rules of order the Program may adopt.

#### ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENT

These bylaws may be amended at any regular or properly called special meeting of the membership by a 2/3 vote, provided that previous notice has been given in the call of the meeting.

This version of the bylaws is current as of the amendments adopted at the November 2, 2015 regular meeting.

Adopted:	November 2, 2015
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	Gary G. Krupp, Director