



17X CIF Team Champions

1996-1998, 2000, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2016-2020 & 2022-2026

24X Conference Team Champions

1993-1998, 2000-2007, 2016-2020 & 2022-2026

19 Top 5 Team Finishes at California State Championships

1996, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2006-2009, 2015-2020, 2022-2026

State Championships—32

Adam Tirapelle—1996
Telly Sanders—1998
Gerrard Contreras—2001
Ryan Flores—2006 & 2007
Justin Arredondo—2008
Andrew Balch—2008
Durbin Lloren Jr.—2015
Matthew Olguin—2016 & 2019
Ethan Leake—2016
Zakary Levatino—2016
Cade Belshay—2017
Anthony Montalvo—2017 & 2018
Maximo Renteria—2018, 2019 & 2020
Cristelle Rodriguez—2019 & 2020
Jack Gioffre—2022
Michael Gioffre—2022
Joseph Martin—2022
Brenda Nunez—2023
Rocklin Zinkin—2024, 2025 & 2026
Christina Estrada—2025 & 2026
Ashton Besmer—2026
Paul Ruiz—2026
Alex Marin—2026

State Placers—154

Valley Champions—123

All-Americans—82



BUCHANAN HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

March 17th, 2026

Dear Coach,

You are invited to attend the 24th Annual Zinkin Classic, **December 18th & 19th 2026** held at Buchanan High School in Clovis, CA. This is a 48-man bracket, true double elimination varsity tournament held on 8-11 mats with 3-sided digital clocks over two days. We will again have awards for the top 3 teams, overall outstanding performer, and custom awards for all wrestlers earning 1st – 8th place.

The Zinkin Classic has become one of the premier wrestling tournaments in the western region. Eighteen of the past Twenty-two California State Team Champions began their season by participating in the Zinkin. Last year's tournament included over 70 teams. Here is how the field fared at the 2026 California State Tournament:

- 40 State Placers & 7 State Champions
- 225 State Qualifiers
- Team State Champions & 3 out of the top 6 teams

We are looking to add top tier teams that will improve upon these numbers, maintaining the Zinkin as California's best initial look at state contenders from all over!

Our central location, combined with the Friday later start time (10am) and Saturday early end time (5pm), provides affordable travel as well as an early look at some of the best competition in the state. If you would like to consider entering California's, and the Western United States', best early season tournament, please contact Tournament Director Kai Dill @ kaidill@cusd.com or (559)930-1225.

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