



## #1 The Referee and the OHSAA



## OHSAA Licensing Criteria

- Renew license each year; June 1st. – June 30th.
- Attend one (1) NFHS Rules Presentation hosted by OHSAA presented by state rules interpreters
  - Ray Anthony, Dick Loewenstine & Jim Vreeland
- Member of a local association and attend a minimum of four local association meetings.





## Levels of Officiating

- **Class 1: May officiate all levels.**
- **Class 2: Primarily officiates Jr. High, Freshman and JV matches, but may also officiate all levels.**
- **Class 3: Currently a high school student, may officiate junior high matches.**



## Knowledge and Growth

- Attend local clinics and State OWOA Clinic
- Read, study the Rule, Case and Green books
- Read NFHS Wrestling Guide & Official Quarterly
- Understand match procedures, such as awarding points, pre and post duties, legal/illegal moves, starting positions, etc.
- **First Priority—Safety of the Athlete**



## **Advancement and Opportunities**

- **Work with a mentor for continuous improvement**
- **Watch and critique yourself on film**
- **Be observed by coaches and the OHSAA wrestling observation team**
- **Observations and discussions will assist with progress and success**
- **Referees should strive to improve their schedule**



## OHSAA

**OHSAA provides post season event contract.**

- **Two (2) Wednesday night Regional Dual meets**
- **Dual Team State Tournament**
- **Sectional**
- **District**
- **Individual State Tournament**

**Referees selected based on votes**

- **OHSAA**
- **Assigned by either District Athletic Board or OHSAA**

