

2015 Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling 53rd Annual State Championship

A. A Note to Wrestlers:

Congratulations on your quest to be a contender for a Pa Junior Wrestling State Champion. The Tournament Committee, Area VIII, and the City of Erie welcomes you to the Erie Insurance Arena for the 53rd Annual Youth State Championship. We hope you have a memorable experience as you compete for the gold. Best of luck to all!!!

B. A Note to the Wrestling Families:

Erie is very excited to host this year's PJW State Championship and we are all working hard to make this experience a memorable one for the wrestlers and their families. Hopefully, you will find Erie a very hospitable and friendly city with plenty of accommodations and things to do. If there are any suggestions on how to improve things for next year please email them to Don Pollard (pollard@tbscc.com) or Tom Agnello (agnello@velocity.net).

C. Tournament Location:

The 2015 and 2016 PJW State Championship tournaments will be held at the Erie Insurance Arena located at 809 French Street in Erie PA.

Directions to the Arena and a map can be found further down in this document.

D. Schedule: The tournament will consist of 3 sessions.

Session I: Friday, March 20 at 9:00AM (*doors open at 8:00AM*)

Session II: Saturday, March 21 at 9:00AM (*doors open at 8:00AM*)

Session III: Saturday, March 21 at 4:00PM (*doors open at 3:00PM*)

A detailed schedule of rounds can be found further down in document.

E. General Admissions Costs:

\$25.00 Adult both days

\$15.00 Adult one day only

\$15.00 Student both days

\$10.00 Student one day only

Tickets and programs may be purchased during weigh-ins at the Millcreek Mall on Thursday evening or at the Erie Insurance Arena box offices on Friday or Saturday.

F. Weigh-ins:

Weigh-ins will be conducted at the Millcreek Mall on Thursday, March 19th, 4PM - 8PM only.

- At weigh-ins each wrestler will be given a weigh-in packet which will contain a coach's band and 2015 PJW memento along with other information.
- If additional coach's bands are needed, please ask your Area Chairman.
- There will be no weigh-ins on Friday March 20th.
- There is no weight allowance and the decision of weigh-in officials is final.
- There will be a physician at weigh-ins to review any skin issues.
- In the event that you have a pre-existing skin issue, you must have with you a completed PJW Skin form signed by a qualified Physician before you can get weighed in.
- In the event that you have a skin issue and either you do not have a PJW skin form or your PJW skin form is aged then the onsite physician's determination is final.

Directions to weigh-ins can be found at the end of this document.

G. Apparel:

Tournament apparel will be sold during weigh-ins at the Millcreek Mall as well as at the Erie Insurance Arena during the tournament.

H. Locker Facilities:

Locker facilities are plentiful at the Erie Insurance Arena. There will be specific locker rooms available for wrestlers to change and shower in, and will have signs identifying them. These locker rooms will be closely monitored by the tournament security staff, and no misconduct or vandalism will be permitted. Personal items should not be left in the locker rooms. Area VIII, Erie Insurance Arena, or the Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling Committee will not be responsible for lost or stolen items from these facilities.

I. Concessions:

The Arena concessions will be operating throughout the tournament for spectator convenience. The concessions are operated solely by the Erie Insurance Arena and PJW or Area VIII is in no way affiliated with these concessions.

You are not permitted to bring food or drinks into the arena from the outside.

J. Parking:

Information regarding Event parking can be found at the end of this document along with a map identifying parking locations.

K. General Information:

- Medals will be awarded to the top 8 place finishers.
- Wrestling will begin promptly at 9:00AM each day of the event.
- Wrestlers will begin being called to the staging area at approximately 8:45AM.
- All rounds will begin with the 8 & Under Division.
- Please do not go to warm up / staging area prior to being called on the PA system.
- Access to the Arena floor is restricted to wrestlers and properly wrist banded coaches.
- Only 2 coaches per wrestler will be allowed to enter the Arena floor.

- Coaches wrist bands are for access to the arena floor through staging only and not valid for admission to the event.
- Hats are not permitted on the Arena floor.
- PJW and PIAA Rules will be strictly enforced.
- Wrestlers, Coaches, Parents and Spectators are expected to demonstrate good sportsmanship and conduct on and off the mats. Unsportsmanlike conduct will be penalized. Misconduct in any form, including destroying or defacing Erie Insurance Arena facilities, Hotels, Motels, Restaurants, etc. will result in eviction and prosecution.
- Erie Insurance Arena will remove any noise makers, laser pointers, or weapons at the entrance.
- The use of cameras, video recorders, camera phones, etc is prohibited on the arena floor. All photos and recording must be from the spectator seating area. Violators will be escorted from the venue and coaches wristband removed for the remainder of the event.
- No outside food or drinks are permitted by the Erie Insurance Arena to be brought into the Arena and/or Tournament.

L. **Detailed Wrestling Schedule:** There will be 10 rounds of wrestling. Round times are estimated and wrestlers should be ready at least 1 hour prior to estimated start time.

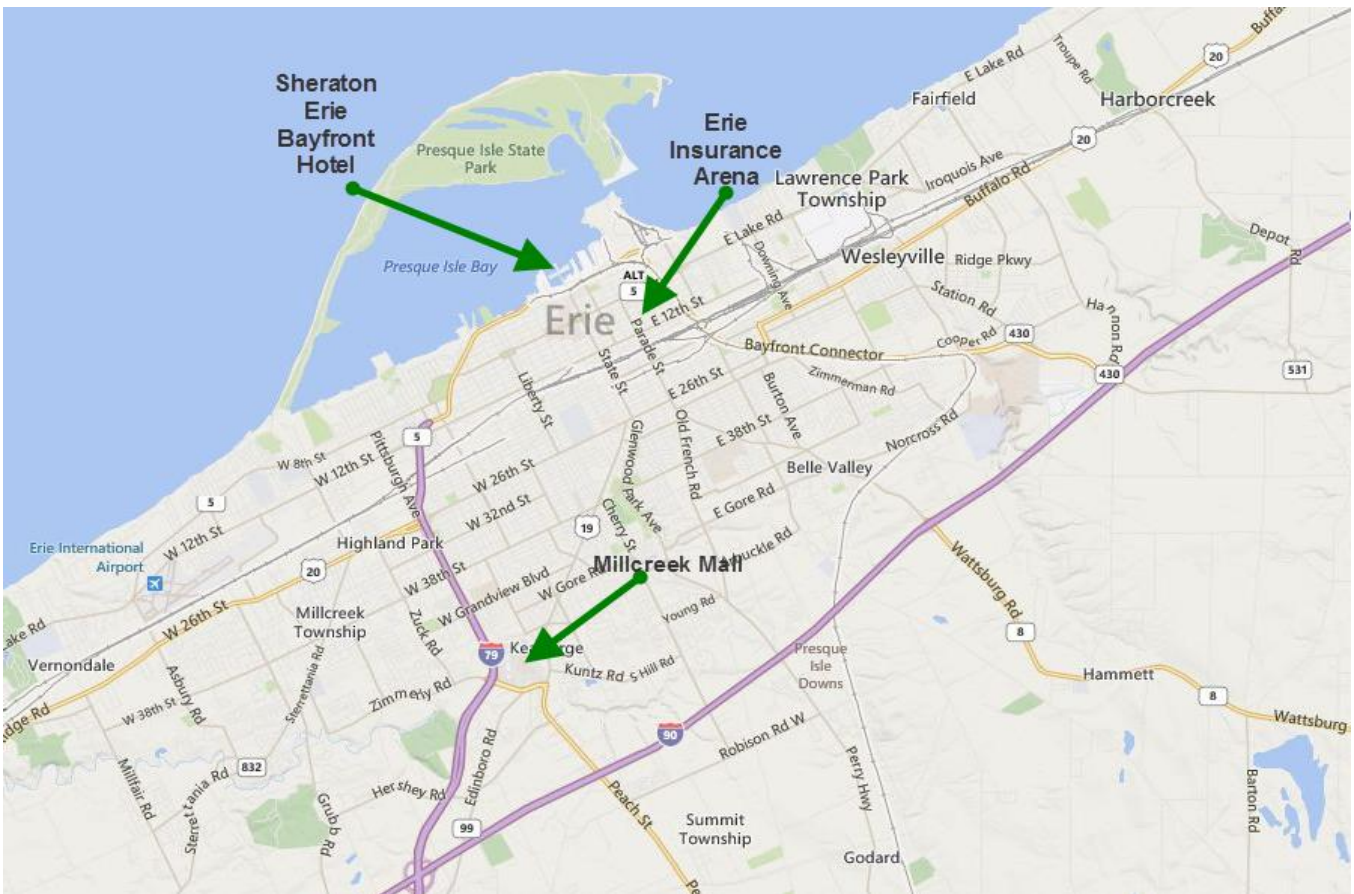
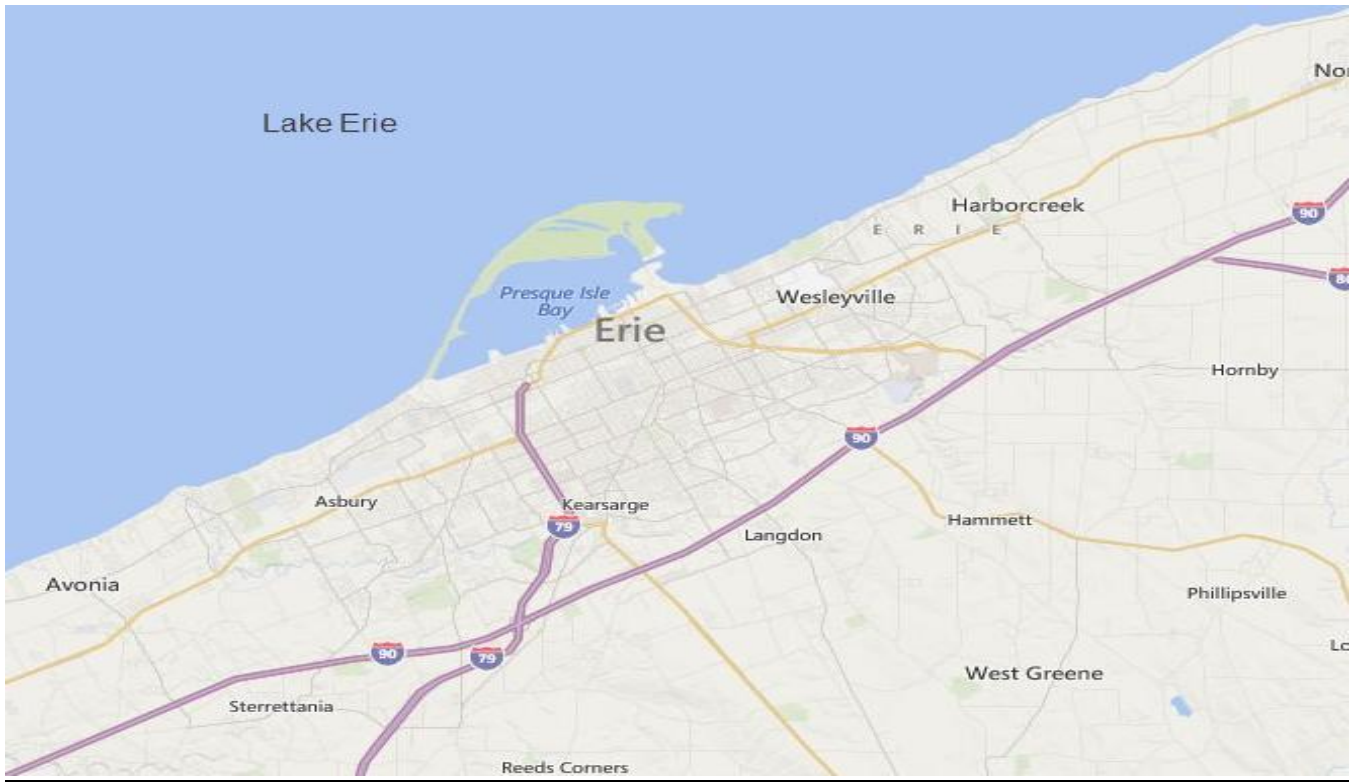
Round	Round Description	Estimated Time
	Day 1	Friday, March 20 th
1	Pigtails (round of 32)	9:00 AM – Noon
2	Preliminary (round of 16)	Noon – 2:00PM
3	Consolations Round #1	2:00PM - 3:00PM
4	Champion Qtr finals	3:00 PM – 4:00PM
5	Consolations Round #2	4:00 PM – 6:00PM
	Day 2	Saturday, March 21 st
6	Consolations Round #3	9:00 AM – 10:00PM
7	Consolations #4	10:00 AM – 11:00PM
8	Consolations Round #5 & Semi Finals	11:00 AM – 12:15PM
9	Consolations Round #6	12:15 PM – 1:00PM
	Break	1:00PM – 4:00PM
	Parade of Champions/Finals show	4:00 PM (doors open at 3PM)
10	Finals	5:00 PM – 7PM

Hotel Listing:

The following hotels have agreed to support PA youth wrestling by offering a discounted rate for the PJW State Tournament in 2015. Please indicate you are coming to Erie specifically for this tournament when making your reservations. This list will be updated periodically on the PJW website.

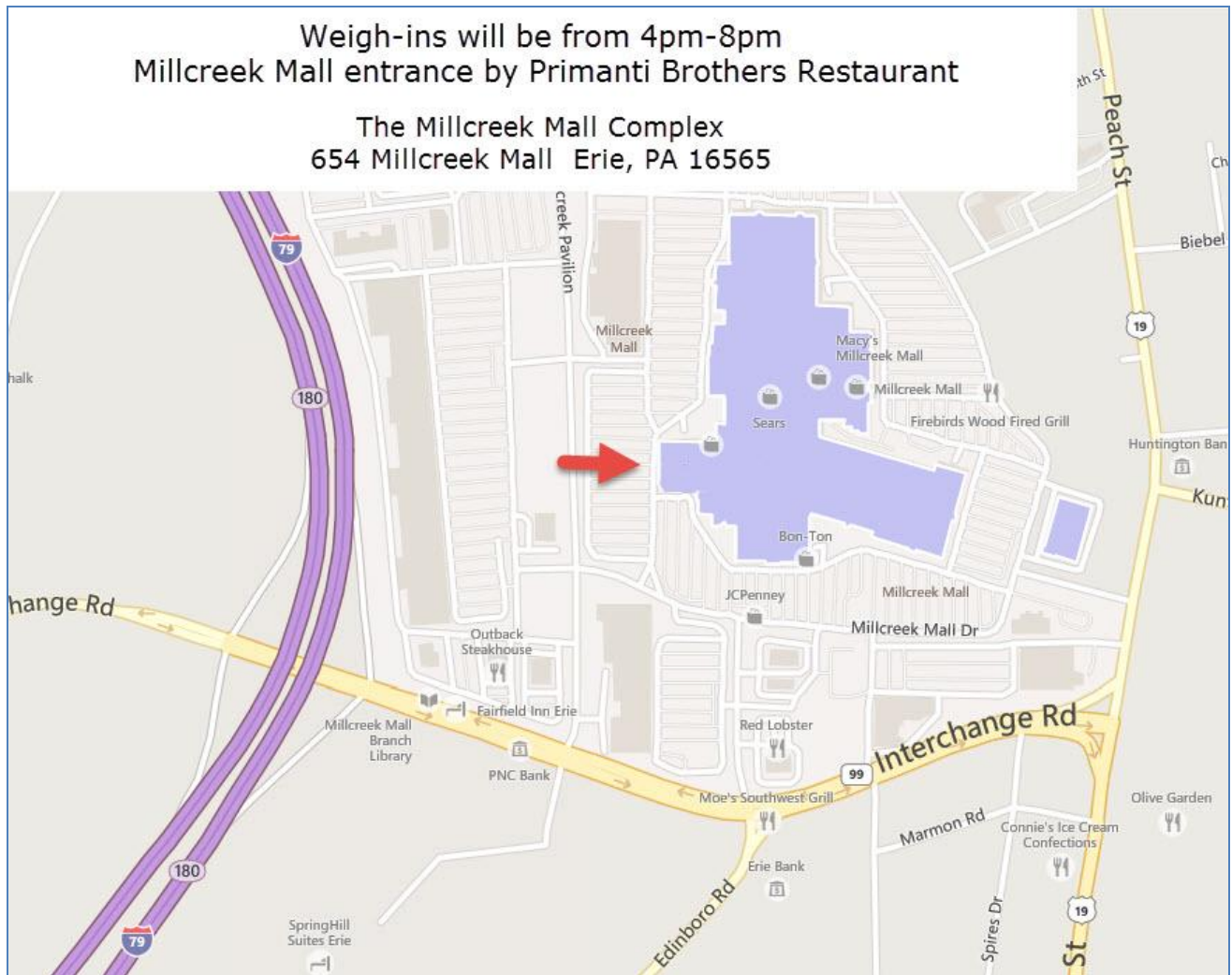
<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Avalon Hotel	16 W. 10 th St, Erie, PA 16501	814-459-2220	\$89
Bayfront Sheraton (HOST)	55 W. Bay Rd, Erie, PA 16507	814-454-2005	\$135
Bayfront Inn	2540 W. 8 th St, Erie, PA 16505	814-838-7841	\$69.99
Baymont Inn & Suites	8170 Perry Highway, Erie, PA 16509	814-866-8808	\$119
Clarion Lake Erie Hotel	2800 W 8th St, Erie, PA 16505	814-833-1116	\$94.99
Comfort Inn Presque Isle	3041 W 12th St, Erie, PA, 16505	814-835-4200	\$89.99
Courtyard by Marriott	7792 Peach St, Erie, PA 16509	814-860-8300	\$99
Day's Inn	7415 Schultz Rd, Erie, PA 16509	814-868-8521	\$79
El Patio Motel	2950 W. 8 th St, Erie, PA 16505	814-838-9772	\$65
Hampton Inn	8050 Old Oliver Rd, Erie, PA 16509	814-866-6800	\$109
Hilton Garden Inn	2225 Downs Dr, Erie, PA 16509	814-866-1390	\$109
Red Roof Inn	7865 Perry Hwy, Erie, PA 16509	814-868-5246	\$119
Springhill Suites	2087 Interchange Rd, Erie, PA 16509	814-864-5000	\$109
TownPlace Suites	2090 Interchange Rd, Erie, PA 16565	814-866-7100	\$119/\$139
Wingate by Wyndham	8060 Oliver Rd, Erie, Pennsylvania 16509	814-860-3050	\$105
Quality Inn	6467 Sterrettania Rd, Fairview, PA 16415	814-838-7647	\$80

Maps of Erie:



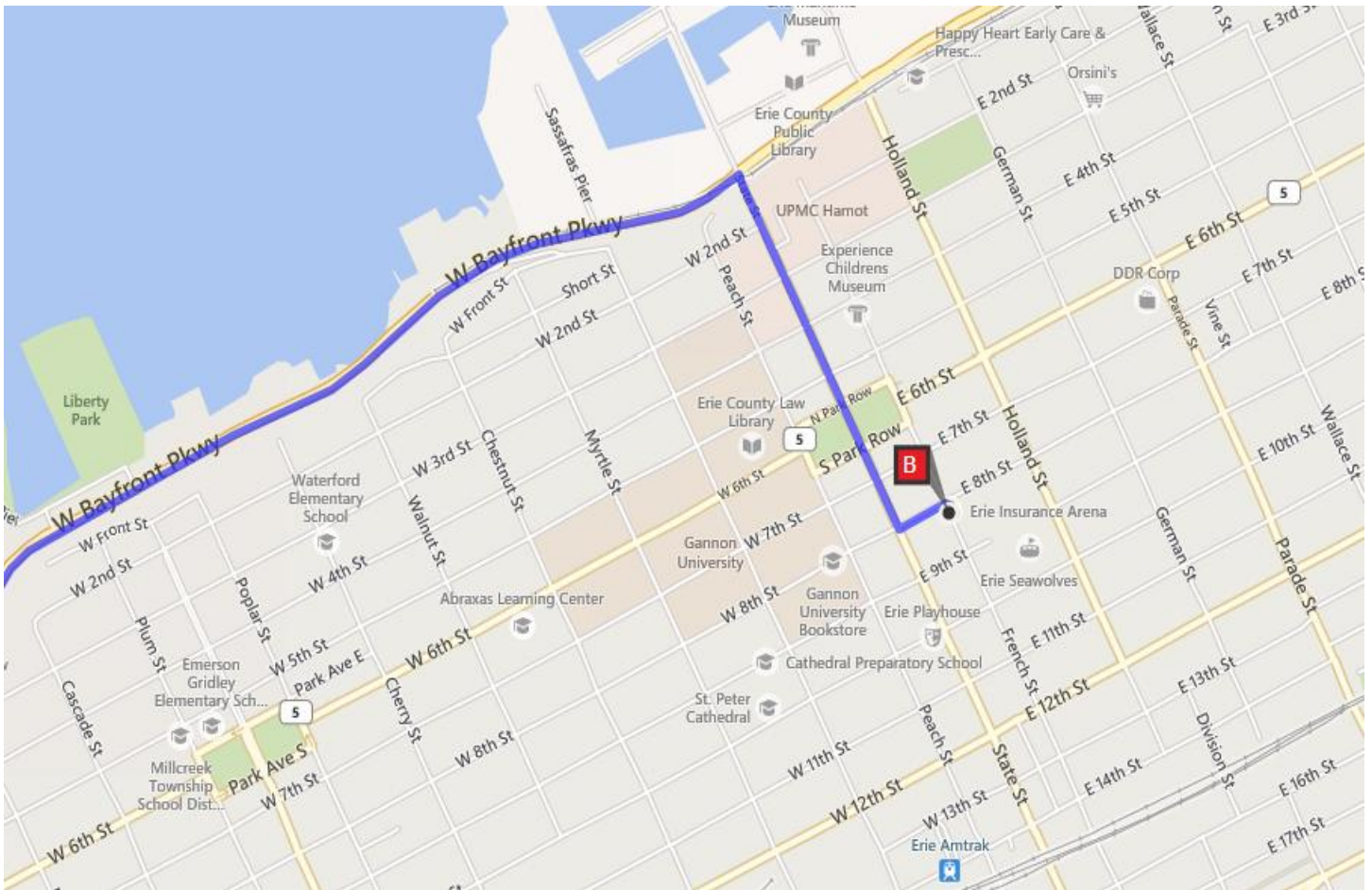
Weigh-ins Location:

- Take Interstate 79 North to the Kearsarge exit;
- Turn right at the stop light at the exit.
- Go to the second stop light and turn to the left, the mall will be in front of you.
- Go to the left side of the mall (where the red arrow is below) and park and enter the mall at the entrance between the Primanti Bros and Mad Mex restaurants.
- Someone will be waiting at the entrance to direct you.



Directions to Erie Insurance Arena

- Take Interstate 79 North to Bayfront Parkway (approximately 2.7 miles).
- Turn right onto State Street
- Continue on State Street and make a left onto 8th street
- Go one block and Arena is on the corner of 8th and French street (809 French St.)



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Erie Insurance Arena Event Parking

The tournament organizers have met with the Erie Parking Authority to discuss parking logistics for this tournament. Saturday parking will be free and plentiful although Friday may be a bit more challenging since individuals working in the city will consume the typical event parking. Below the Erie Parking Authority has identified where they believe parking will be available. There may be a nominal charge for parking on Friday at some locations as identified below.

Friday (3/20/15)

- 495 spaces at Garage B (10th and French St.): Hourly rate parking, maximum fee \$10
- 563 spaces at Garage C (West 9th Street garage, entrance on West 9th Street between Peach and Sassafras Streets): \$4 All Day Parking – *must tell cashier at exit that they are with wrestling to receive the \$4 rate*
- 371 spaces at Garage D (8th and Peach St.): \$4 All Day Parking – *must tell cashier at exit that they are with wrestling to receive the \$4 rate*
- 250 spaces at the Liberty Street Park n' Ride lot (Parking is Free and pickups occur every 15 minutes by Bayliner Trolley Service which is free). There are also other bay front park and ride locations, that are being investigated and will be posted on the PJW web site as arrangements are confirmed.
- There are numerous downtown street parking spaces and small lots that may charge a daily fee.
- Garage A (8th and French St.) and the Erie Insurance lot are not available Friday due to weekday employee parking.

Saturday (3/21/15)

- 1,000 spaces at Erie Insurance lot (next to Erie Insurance Arena): Free
- 310 spaces at Garage A (8th and French St.): Free
- 495 spaces at Garage B (10th and French St.): Free
- 563 spaces at Garage C (West 9th Street garage, entrance on West 9th between Peach and Sassafras Streets): Free
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PA JUNIOR WRESTLING PARKING OPTIONS

**GARAGE A (310) = Not Available Friday
Free Saturday**

**GARAGE B (495) = Friday Hourly Rate- Max. \$10
Free Saturday**

**GARAGE C (563) = \$4 All Day Parking Friday
Free Saturday**

**GARAGE D (371) = \$4 All Day Parking Friday
Free Saturday**

**ALL GREEN BLOCKS ARE ERIE PARKING
AUTHORITY GARAGES.**

