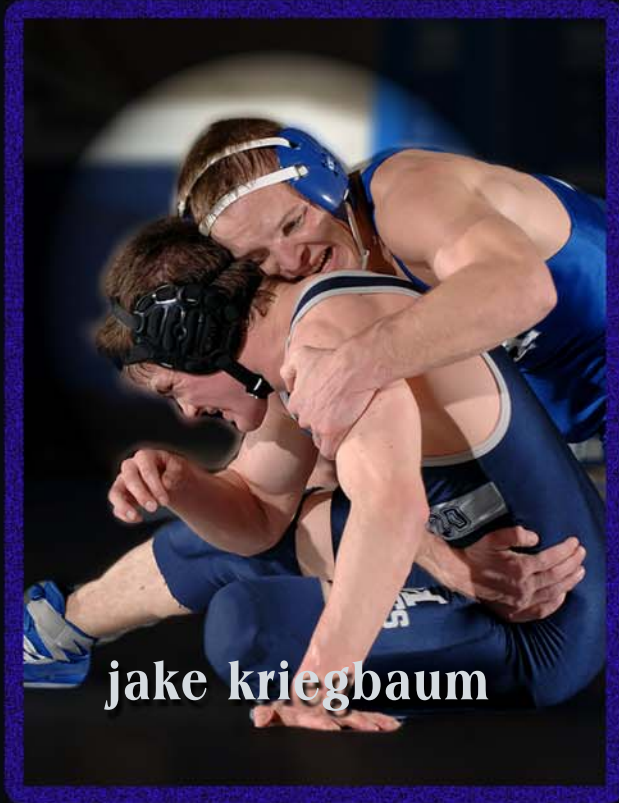


# air force wrestling



jake kriegbaum



bridger lord

AF



zach lord

2006-07 media guide

# western wrestling

# AF conference



In April 2006, the formation of the Western Wrestling Conference (WWC) was announced. The NCAA Division I wrestling-only alliance begins competition in the 2006-07 season.

Charter members of the Western Wrestling Conference include the United States Air Force Academy, North Dakota State University, the University of Northern Colorado, the University of Northern Iowa, South Dakota State University, Utah Valley State College and the University of Wyoming.

With league members spread out over six states and two time zones, schools will only be required to compete against five league schools in dual action to be eligible for the regular season conference championship. Schools are encouraged to schedule as many conference schools as possible.

Air Force, UNI and Wyoming currently compete in the NCAA West Regional, while Northern Colorado, North Dakota State, South Dakota State and Utah Valley State are transitioning their programs to the Division I level. UNC, NDSU, SDSU will be eligible for the NCAA Championships in 2006-07, while UVSC will be eligible for the postseason in 2009-10.

The 2007 NCAA West Regional will still serve as the NCAA qualifying tournament and will be hosted by the University of Northern Iowa. The goal of the league is to replace the West Regional with the conference tournament, which would then serve as the NCAA qualifier.

The WWC will submit its application for formal recognition to the NCAA.

The WWC plans to recognize student-athletes on both a weekly and full-season basis. Individual awards will include Wrestler of the Week; All-Conference teams; an Academic All-Conference team; and Wrestler, Newcomer and Coach of the Year awards. The league will also crown a team champion following the conclusion of the regular season conference competition and the postseason tournament.

The governance of the Western Wrestling Conference will remain primarily with the member institutions. Scheduling of contests, assignment of officials and certain media relations functions will remain with member institutions.

Colonel William Walker of the United States Air Force Academy will serve as the Conference Commissioner, while Colin McDonough of UNI will serve as the WWC Media Relations Director.



**class of 2007**

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*top row (l-r): andrew teigeler, peter bozynski, chris nissen. bottom row: zach lord, bridger lord, matt crippes.*



**class of 2008**

class of 2008  
*top row (l-r): a.j. harris, jake kriegbaum, jacob devlin, anthony stegeman, duane miller. bottom row: tony dorward, zach valdez, chris szabolcs, jason bahmer.*

**class of 2009**



class of 2009

*(l-r): juancarlos pino, jordan tribble, stephen crozier, casey butikofer.*

class of 2010

*top row (l-r): daniel dreier, derek potter, steve larson, michael erickson, tyler french. middle row: jacob johnston, joshua lopez, akira nervik, felix abeyta, alec schwartz, justin shadrix. bottom row: thomas gorry, randall mitchner, samuel sheppard, kurt spranger, stephen makuka, patrick arkwright.*



**class of 2010**



## 2006-07 schedule

date	opponent	location	time
nov. 11	cowboy open	laramie, wyo.	all day
nov. 18	kaufman-brand open	omaha, neb.	all day
nov. 25	oklahoma open	norman, okla.	all day
dec. 1-2	cliff keen las vegas invitational	primm, nev.	all day
dec. 2	fort hays open	hays, kan.	all day
dec. 8	western state	gunnison, colo.	7:00 pm
dec. 9	colorado school of mines	usafa, colo.	7:00 pm
dec. 29-30	midlands invitational	evanston, ill.	all day
jan. 6	lone star duals	grand prairie, texas	all day
jan. 6	tournament of champions	colby, kan.	all day
jan. 20	pittsburgh	pittsburgh, pa.	2:00 pm
jan. 20	glen brand open	omaha, neb.	all day
jan. 21	wendy's duals	ashland, ohio	all day
jan. 27	north dakota state*	usafa, colo.	5:00 pm
jan. 27	adams state	usafa, colo.	7:00 pm
jan. 27	borah duals	gunnison, colo.	all day
jan. 28	portland state	greeley, colo.	4:00 pm
feb. 3	all-academy championships	usafa, colo.	all day
feb. 10	south dakota state*	usafa, colo. #	2:00 pm
feb. 16	wyoming*	laramie, wyo.	7:00 pm
feb. 17	utah valley state*	oreem, utah	7:00 pm
feb. 20	northern colorado*	usafa, colo. #	7:00 pm
march 3	naaa west regional	cedar falls, iowa	all day
march 15-17	naaa championships	auburn hills, mich.	all day

all times local to site; all home matches held in cadet east gym, unless otherwise denoted  
 # - held in clune arena; \* - western wrestling conference match