

2007 NAVY WRESTLING ROSTER

2007-08 NAVY WRESTLING

Name	Yr.	Wt.	Hometown / High School
Joel Ahern	Jr.	149	Herkimer, N.Y. / Herkimer
Joe Baker	Jr.	133	Poway, Calif. / Poway
Ben Beitler	So.	141	Fogelsville, Pa. / Northwestern Lehigh
John Bever	So.	149	Atlanta, Ga. / Wesleyan School
Mike Billings	So.	165	Waterford, Mich. / Waterford Kettering
Joey Boone	Fr.	125	Poway, Calif. / Poway
Justin Bowser	Fr.	141	Odenton, Md. / Arundel
Joe Breaux	So.	HWT	Bossier City, La. / Parkway
Joey Breen	Fr.	141	Pasadena, Md. / McDonogh
Joe Butcher	Sr.	157	Westwood, N.J. / Westwood
Casey Caldwell	Jr.	184	Liberty, Ind. / Union County
Charles Carafano	So.	184	Germantown, Md. / Home Schooled
Josh Ciocco	Fr.	157	Jacksonville, Fla. / Samuel W. Wolfson
Jason Coyne	Jr.	165	Trafford, Pa. / Penn Trafford
Paul DeLuca	So.	165	Cheswick, Pa. / Fox Chapel
Matt DeMichiel	Fr.	165	Whitesboro, N.Y. / Whitesboro
Nick Detweiler	So.	165	Ephrata, Pa. / Ephrata
Jesse Dewan	Fr.	184	Pottstown, Pa. / Boyertown Area
Brian DeYoung	So.	133	Lake Forest, Ill. / Lake Forest
Bobby Harned	So.	133	Panama City, Fla. / Bay
Ethan Harvey	Fr.	125	Edgewater, Md. / South River
Dave Ingram	So.	149	East Islip, N.Y. / East Islip
Andrey Ivashchenko	Jr.	165	Library, Pa. / South Park
Justin Jacobs	Sr.	165	LeRoy, Mich. / Pine River
Robert Johnston	Sr.	174	Satellite Beach, Fla. / Satellite
Russ Kropp	So.	174	Pittsburgh, Pa. / Upper St. Clair
Mike Landis	Fr.	HWT	Hershey, Pa. / Hershey
Anthony Laurita	Jr.	174	Delta, Colo. / Delta
Caleb Levee	Jr.	141	Mandeville, La. / Mandeville
Phil Lukanich	Fr.	125	La Grange, Ill. / Lyons Township
Phil Mahne	So.	133	River Ridge, La. / Jesuit
Spencer Manley	Sr.	149	Chattanooga, Tenn. / McCallie
Eli Michel	Fr.	133	Columbia City, Ind. / Columbia City
Tyler Moyer	Jr.	197	Bremerton, Wash. / Broadneck (Md.)
Philip Neese	Jr.	184	Lexington, S.C. / Lexington
Robby Neill	Fr.	157	Brick, N.J. / The Peddie School
Adam Newton	Fr.	184	Greenwood, S.C. / Emerald
Ben Nichols	Sr.	174	Ellicott City, Md. / McDonogh School
Kyle O'Neill	So.	141	Gaylord, Mich. / Gaylord
Matt Orzechowski	Fr.	157	Hughesville, Md. / La Plata
Dustin Packard	So.	157	Meridian, Idaho / Mountain View
Matt Pagan	So.	133	Carteret, N.J. / Bishop George Ahr
Matt Parsons	Sr.	184	Dunkirk, Md. / Northern
Brad Pendock	So.	184	Crofton, Md. / Arundel
Luke Penner	Jr.	141	Corvallis, Ore. / Corvallis
Ed Prendergast	Sr.	HWT	St. Louis, Mo. / DeSmet Jesuit
Josh Priebe	Sr.	HWT	St. Clair, Mich. / Marine City
Greg Prioleau	Fr.	184	Poway, Calif. / Poway
Matt Reck	Fr.	197	Stafford, Va. / Colonial Forge
Eric Ruby	So.	165	Willow Grove, Pa. / Upper Moreland
Bryce Sadoris	Fr.	149	Spring Creek, Nev. / Spring Creek
Michael Sandy	Fr.	149	Spirit Lake, Iowa / Spirit Lake
Adam Shemon	Jr.	133	Hastings, Minn. / Hastings
Glenn Shober	So.	141	Reading, Pa. / Schuylkill Valley
Scott Steele	Jr.	HWT	Baltimore, Md. / Towson
Allan Stein	Fr.	125	Portland, Maine / Deering
Matt Stolpinski	Sr.	174	Westfield, Mass. / Phillips Exeter Acad. (N.H.)
Louis Troisi	Fr.	133	Cutchogue, N.Y. / Mattituck
Tommy Walton	So.	197	Portland, Ore. / Benson
Caleb Weintraub	Jr.	149	Sherborn, Mass. / Dover-Sherborn
Mike Wentz	Sr.	141	Vincent, Ohio / Warren
Drew Willis	Fr.	133	St. Ingoes, Md. / St. Mary's Ryken

Head Coach: Bruce Burnett (8th season, Idaho State '73)

Assistant Coach: Brian Antonelli (2nd season, Navy '97)

Assistant Coach: Scott Owen (3rd season, Northern Illinois '03)

Captain: Matt Stolpinski

Mids by Weight

125 (4): Boone, Harvey, Lukanich, Stein
133 (9): Baker, DeYoung, Harned, Mahne, Michel, Pagan, Shemon, Troisi, Willis
141 (8): Beitler, Bowser, Breen, Levee, O'Neill, Penner, Shober, Wentz
149 (6): Ahern, Bever, Manley, Sadoris, Sandy, Weintraub
157 (5): Butcher, Ciocco, Neill, Orzechowski, Packard
165 (8): Billings, Coyne, DeLuca, DeMichiel, Detweiler, Ivashchenko, Jacobs, Ruby
174 (5): Johnston, Kropp, Laurita, Nichols, Stolpinski
184 (7): Caldwell, Carafano, Neese, Newton, Parsons, Pendock, Prioleau
197 (3): Moyer, Reck, Walton
HWT (5): Breaux, Landis, Prendergast, Priebe, Steele

Mids By Class

Seniors (10): Butcher, Jacobs, Johnston, Manley, Nichols, Parsons, Prendergast, Priebe, Stolpinski, Wentz
Juniors (12): Ahern, Baker, Caldwell, Coyne, Ivashchenko, Laurita, Moyer, Neese, Penner, Shemon, Steele, Weintraub
Sophomores (19): Beitler, Bever, Billings, Breaux, Carafano, DeLuca, Detweiler, DeYoung, Harned, Kropp, Levee, Mahnee, O'Neill, Packard, Pagan, Pendock, Ruby, Shober, Walton
Freshmen (19): Boone, Bowser, Breen, Ciocco, DeMichiel, Harvey, Landis, Lukanich, Michel, Neill, Newton, Orzechowski, Prioleau, Reck, Sadoris, Sandy, Stein, Troisi, Willis

Mids By State

California (3): Baker, Boone, Prioleau
Colorado (2): Ahern, Laurita
Florida (3): Ciocco, Harned, Johnston
Georgia (1): Bever
Idaho (1): Packard
Illinois (2): DeYoung, Lukanich
Indiana (2): Caldwell, Michel
Iowa (1): Sandy
Louisiana (3): Breaux, Levee, Mahne
Maine (1): Stein
Maryland (10): Bowser, Breen, Carafano, Harvey, Nichols, Orzechowski, Parsons, Pendock, Steele, Willis
Massachusetts (2): Stolpinski, Weintraub
Michigan (4): Billings, Jacobs, O'Neill, Priebe
Minnesota (1): Shemon
Missouri (1): Prendergast
Nevada (1): Sadoris
New Jersey (3): Butcher, Neill, Pagan
New York (3): Ahern, DeMichiel, Troisi
Ohio (1): Wentz
Oregon (2): Penner, Walton
Pennsylvania (9): Beitler, Coyne, DeLuca, Detweiler, Ivashchenko, Kropp, Landis, Ruby, Shober
South Carolina (2): Neese, Newton
Tennessee (1): Manley
Virginia (1): Reck
Washington (1): Moyer



125 Pounds

◁ **Projected Starter: Joey Boone**

• A 2007 graduate of Poway High School, Joey Boone garnered All-State (Calif.), All-America and Academic All-America recognition as a senior. He was also named a Junior All-American and Academic All-American as a junior. A four-time state qualifier, he placed second in 2005, third in 2006 and was crowned the state champion in 2007. Poway finished third in the state in 2004 before winning the team title in 2005. In 2006, Poway produced an undefeated record en route to winning the state title and was the runner-up in '07.

***Burnett on Boone** — "Joey is among a weight class that is predominately underclassmen, but he has risen above the rest of the room. He has the talent to really make an impact this season. I look for him to get to the podium at the National Championship."*

▷ **Challengers: Allan Stein, Phil Lukanich**

• Allan Stein led Deering High School to three straight region and state wrestling titles between 2004 and '06 behind a combined 133-16 record. He received All-State (Maine) honors his senior year.

• Lyons Township High School graduate Phil Lukanich received All-State (Ill.) honors in 2004 and was a state qualifier in 2005 and '06. He is the younger brother of former Navy wrestling captain Patrick Lukanich.

Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Boone Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Donahoe - Nebraska	NA
Amateur Wrestling News	Donahoe - Nebraska	NA
The Wrestling Report	Donahoe - Nebraska	NA
The Wrestling Mall	Donahoe - Nebraska	NA
W.I.N. Magazine	Donahoe - Nebraska	NA



141 Pounds

◁ **Projected Starter: Glenn Shober**

• After spending his rookie season wrestling at 149 pounds, Glenn Shober will drop to the 141-pound weight class. As a freshman, he turned in an 18-10 record that included wins in eight of his first 10 matches. Shober was exposed to some of the top competition in the country last year wrestling at the Eastern Michigan Open, as well as the Southern Scuffle, while posting a seventh-place finish at the Nittany Lion Open.

***Burnett on Shober** — "Glenn is off to a great start. He really worked hard in the off-season and it's paying dividends. I was unsure about his move down to 141 pounds, but he's doing a great job."*

▷ **Challengers: Caleb Levee, Kyle O'Neill, Justin Bowser**

• Levee produced a 4-6 record in his second season with the Midshipmen after opening up his career with a 14-10 mark as a rookie. Levee placed third at the Central New Jersey Open last year and won four of his six matches at the Nittany Lion Open.

• O'Neill returns for his sophomore campaign after turning in a 6-7 record that featured a pair of wins by fall. He recorded a 3-2 record at the Eastern Michigan Open before placing fifth at the Central New Jersey Open.

• A 2006 graduate of Arundel High School, Bowser his high school to four-straight (2003-06) county and region wrestling titles. In 2005 and '06, Arundel claimed the state wrestling crown. Bowser garnered All-State (Md.) recognition as a junior and senior, while earning all-county and all-region honors all four years of high school.

Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Shober Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Lang - Northwestern	NA
Amateur Wrestling News	Lang - Northwestern	NA
The Wrestling Report	Lang - Northwestern	NA
The Wrestling Mall	Lang - Northwestern	NA
W.I.N. Magazine	Lang - Northwestern	NA



133 Pounds

◁ **Projected Starter: Joe Baker**

• A two-time NCAA Championship qualifier, Joe Baker returns for his junior campaign in what he hopes to be a healthy year on the mat. Last season Baker fought off multiple injuries to post a 21-9 record. He opened the year with a second-place finish at the Eastern Michigan Open and closed out the month of December with a third-place showing at the Southern Scuffle.

He went on to finish fifth at the EIWA Championship to earn his second trip to the NCAA Championship where he bowed out with a 2-2 record. Baker enters the season ranked among the top 10 in three polls, including Amateur Wrestling News who has him as the No. 9 wrestler. Three of the top four wrestlers heading into the 2007-08 campaign were on Baker's docket a year ago, including No. 1 ranked Coleman Scott who dropped Baker, 9-3, at the Lone Star Duals.

***Burnett on Baker** — "Joe has a ton of talent, but the key is to keep him healthy. He's like a coiled spring and the spring has broken a few times. He needs to stay healthy long enough to put himself in a position to succeed at the right time of the year. He has been to the NCAA Tournament twice, so he has all the potential to stand on that podium."*

▷ **Challengers: Matt Pagan, Joey Breen**

• Pagan wrestled the first two months of his freshman season at 125 pounds where he placed fourth at the Navy Classic, as well as the West Virginia Open. He ended the season at 133 pounds where he replaced an injured Joe Baker at the All-Academy Championship and finished third. Pagan concluded his rookie season with a 14-7 record.

• Breen earned All-State (Md.), all-city and all-county kudos in his final two seasons at McDonogh school in Owings Mills, Md. He captured the individual state title in 2005 and '06 and led McDonogh to the state title in 2006.



Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Baker Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Scott - Oklahoma State	16th
Amateur Wrestling News	Scott - Oklahoma State	9th
The Wrestling Report	Scott - Oklahoma State	9th
The Wrestling Mall	Scott - Oklahoma State	8th
W.I.N. Magazine	Scott - Oklahoma State	10th



149 Pounds

◁ Projected Starter: Joel Ahern

• Junior Joel Ahern has patiently awaited his time to shine, though some might say he did just that a year ago with a 21-8 record as John Cox's backup. Ahern took second at the West Virginia Open by winning four of his five matches to start the season and went on to finish third at the Navy Classic, sixth at the Nittany Lion Open. Additionally, he

placed second at the All-Academy Championship, subbing in for Cox who was injured. Ahern saw action in five duals where he produced a 3-2 record and included wins over NC State, East Stroudsburg and Brown. Heading into the season, he owns a 34-17 career mark.

Bumett on Ahern — "Joel has spent the last two seasons wrestling behind John Cox and has really done a nice job. Last year, he topped 20 wins against some solid competition. Joel is a guy who we can rely on. All that said, I wouldn't be surprised if Bryce Saddoris ends up as our starter by year's end."

▷ Challengers: Bryce Saddoris, Spencer Manley

• A four-year standout wrestler, Saddoris led Spring Creek High School to back-to-back-to-back state titles in 2004, '05 and '06. He was named the 2006 Nevada Most Valuable Wrestler of the Year and was the state recipient of the 2006 Dave Schultz High School Excellence Award. Awarded annually since 1996, the honor is given to high school seniors who demonstrate excellence in wrestling, scholastic achievement, character, citizenship and community service. Additionally, he was the Nevada State Individual Champion from 2003-06.

• Manley is a proven wrestler who spent his first two years at 141 pounds before making the push to 157 pounds a year ago. He owns a 33-30 career record.

Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Ahern Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Schlatter - Minnesota	NA
Amateur Wrestling News	Schlatter - Minnesota	NA
The Wrestling Report	Schlatter - Minnesota	NA
The Wrestling Mall	Schlatter - Minnesota	NA
W.I.N. Magazine	Gillespie - Edinboro	NA



157 Pounds

◁ Projected Starter: Robby Neill

• A 2006 graduate of The Peddie School, freshman Robby Neill spent last year attending the Naval Academy Prep School in Rhode Island. He garnered four letters while leading The Peddie School to a fourth-place finish at the 2004-05 prep nationals. He is one of two freshmen who are projected starters this season.

Bumett on Neill — "Bobby has the early advantage because he is a true 157-pounder. He is a talented wrestler who is a good athlete and will undoubtedly be challenged by his teammates throughout the year."

▷ Challengers: Joe Butcher, Dustin Packard

• Butcher heads into his senior campaign with a 14-12 career record, seeing all of his competition at 149 pounds. He will make the move up this season and has already caught the eyes of Navy's coaching staff.

• Packard turned in a 7-6 record in his rookie season, winning four of his five matches en route to a third-place finish at the Central New Jersey Open.

Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Neill Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Gillespie - Edinboro	NA
Amateur Wrestling News	Gillespie - Edinboro	NA
The Wrestling Report	Gillespie - Edinboro	NA
The Wrestling Mall	Henning - Wisconsin	NA
W.I.N. Magazine	Henning - Wisconsin	NA



165 Pounds

◁ Projected Starter: Justin Jacobs

• Justin Jacobs began the 2006-07 season as John Jarred's backup at 157 pounds, but was called upon to move up to 165 pounds at the beginning of the calendar year. Jacobs finished his junior campaign with a 14-17 record that featured a 4-2 record and a fourth-place finish at the Eastern Michigan Open.

Making the weight change heading into the Lone Star Duals,

Jacobs struggled against the national competition, but eventually settled into his role by early February. The highlights of his season included a second-place finish at the All-Academy Classic and an 8-3 victory over Lehigh's Manuel Schubert in the annual dual competition.

Bumett on Jacobs — "Justin is bigger than the other wrestlers in this weight class and has shown that he can wrestle with the top guys. That said, he will be challenged each week because he is among some other wrestlers who have improved over the last year."

▷ Challengers: Nick Detweiler, Matt DeMichiel, Jason Coyne

• Detweiler was sidelined a year ago with an injury, however, the coaching staff has been encouraged by his work ethic and progress he has made.

• Coyne was off to a good start before suffering a foot injury in early December that kept him off the mat for the remainder of the season. He produced an 8-5 record that included a fourth-place finish at the Navy Classic.

• A 2007 graduate of Whitesboro High School, DeMichiel placed third at the 2006 and '07 New York State Wrestling Championship. He was the Tri-Valley League champion in 2005 and '06 and won the 2005, '06 and '07 Section III individual titles.



Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Jacobs Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Perry - Iowa	NA
Amateur Wrestling News	Perry - Iowa	NA
The Wrestling Report	Perry - Iowa	NA
The Wrestling Mall	Perry - Iowa	NA
W.I.N. Magazine	Perry - Iowa	NA



174 Pounds

◁ **Projected Starter: Matt Stolpinski**

• After making his way onto the podium last spring, team captain Matt Stolpinski returns for his senior campaign and what he hopes to be his third consecutive NCAA Championship appearance. Ranked No. 2 in three preseason polls, there is only one wrestler who stands in his way of being the top-ranked 174-pounder in the country, Pitt senior Keith Gavin,

who dropped an 8-2 decision in last year's championship match against Ben Askren. Gavin and Stolpinski will have the opportunity to square off on the mat at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational scheduled for Nov. 30-Dec. 1. Additionally, Stolpinski and Gavin have been invited to take part in the NWCA All-Star Classic which pits the top two returning wrestlers from each weight class against one another. This year's classic is slated for Nov. 19 at McArthur Court in Eugene, Ore.

• Stolpinski turned in a 44-7 record a year ago, tying the program's wins record. Additionally, he pushed his career wins mark to 99, needing just one win to become only the ninth wrestler in school history to reach 100 victories.

• Last year, he won three tournament titles — EIWA Championship, All-Academy Championship, Navy Classic — while finishing as the runner up in an additional three tourneys.

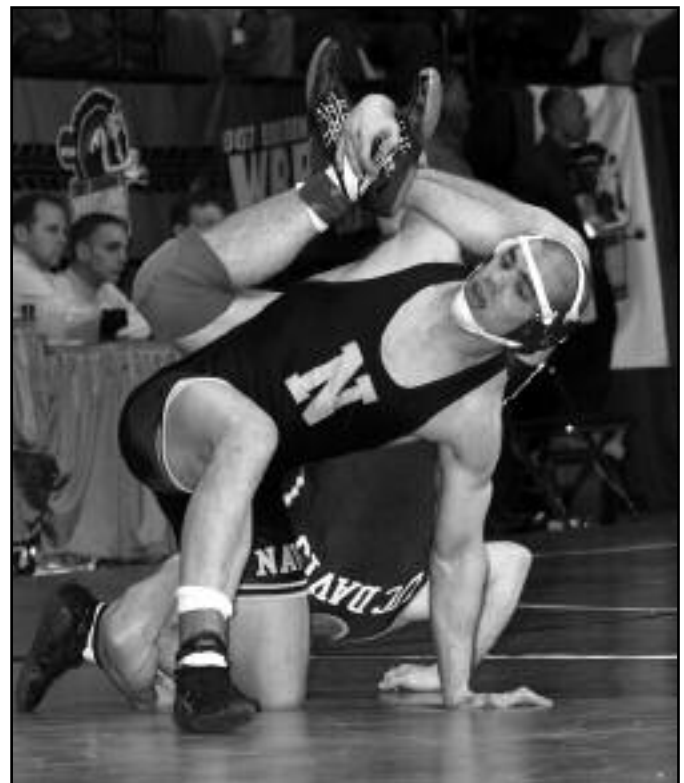
• He opened the season by winning 18 of his first 19 matches, his lone loss was to Michigan's Steve Luke at the Eastern Michigan Tournament. He closed out the year by winning 20 of the last 22 matches, dropping an overtime decision to Northwestern's Nick Hayes in the opening round of the NCAA Tournament and a 3-2 decision in the third-place match against Iowa's Eric Luedke.

Burnett on Stolpinski — "Matt is an outstanding wrestler who is still refining some of his weaknesses. He's done a good job of recognizing what those weaknesses are. If Matt is aware of those short-comings and can adjust within the match, he is awfully tough to beat."

▷ **Challengers: Russ Kropp, Robert Johnston**

• Kropp produced a 4-3 record in hi rookie campaign.

• Johnston is up a weight class this season after posting an 11-6 record a year ago. Johnston opened up the 2006-07 campaign by finishing third at the West Virginia Open.



Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Stolpinski Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Gavin - Pitt	2nd
Amateur Wrestling News	Gavin - Pitt	2nd
The Wrestling Report	Gavin - Pitt	2nd
The Wrestling Mall	Gavin - Pitt	2nd
W.I.N. Magazine	Gavin - Pitt	2nd



184 Pounds

◁ **Projected Starter: Matt Parsons**

• Parsons wrestled the better part of the season at 184 pounds before moving up to 197 in the final month of competition. He turned in an 18-9 record, including a 2-2 mark in dual meet action. Parsons took third place at the West Virginia Open and placed third at the Navy Classic. After pushing up a weight class, he put together back-to-back wins

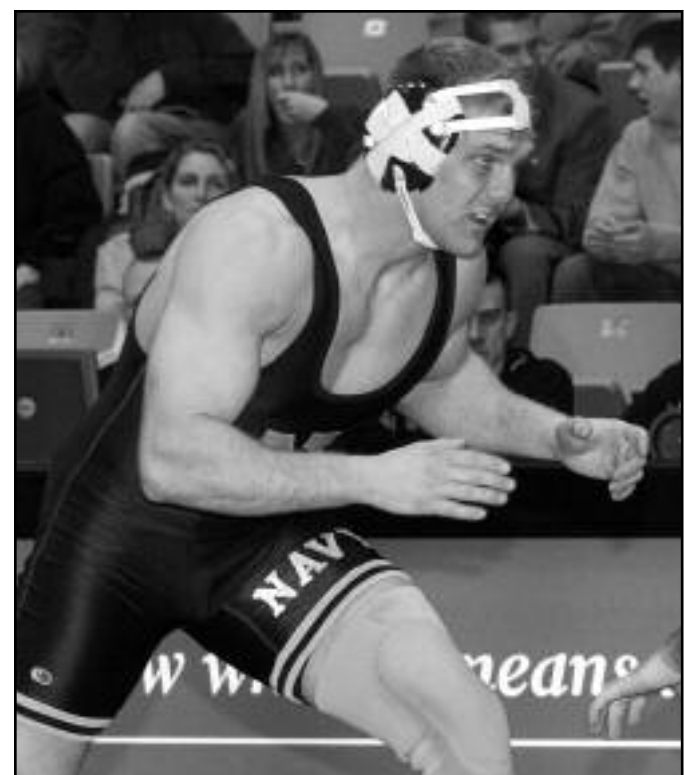
to win the All-Academy Championship title, before earning a 5-2 decision over Conor Sanders of Army. He went on to post a 4-2 record at the EIWA Championship to finish fifth.

Burnett on Parsons — "Matt is really ready to have a breakthrough year. Last year he helped us out by moving up to 197 for the last half of the season, but he's back down to where he can use his physical skills. Technically he has some work to do, but I think there are great things in store for Matt this year."

▷ **Challengers: Casey Caldwell, Philip Neese**

• Caldwell produced a 2-4 record a year ago, while Neese, who has presented a nagging injury in the preseason, turned in a 13-9 record at 197 pounds in 2006.

Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Parsons Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Varner - Iowa State	NA
Amateur Wrestling News	Kish - Minnesota	NA
The Wrestling Report	Varner - Iowa State	26th
The Wrestling Mall	Varner - Iowa State	NA
W.I.N. Magazine	Varner - Iowa State	NA





197 Pounds

◁ Projected Starter: Tyler Moyer

• After turning in a 13-7 mark as a rookie, Moyer stepped into the starting position at 197 pounds. His start to the season was a rocky one, dropping four consecutive matches before claiming a major decision over Rutgers' Mike Elshamy en route to a fourth-place finish at the Navy Classic. Moyer struggled throughout December and January, unable to find the

consistency he needed to help the Mids and was eventually replaced by Matt Parsons who will move back to 184 pounds this season.

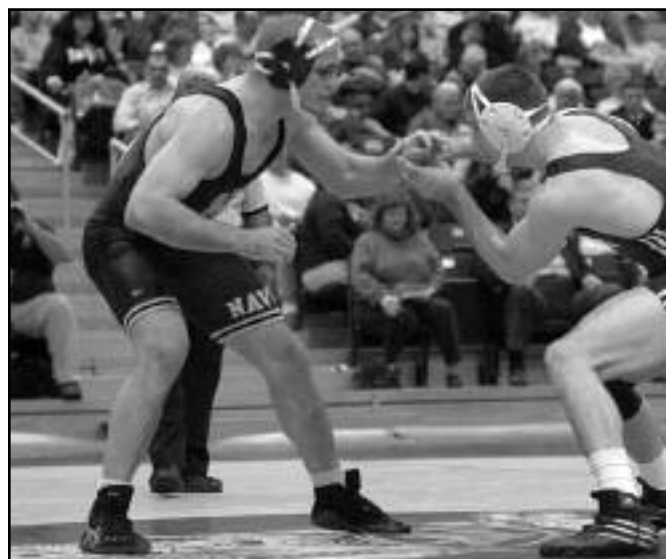
• Moyer will no doubt see most of the top 10 wrestlers early on in the season, including returning National Champion Josh Glenn from American who did not wrestle against the Mids in last year's dual meet. Additionally, he has Jan. 5 circled on his schedule to battle fourth-ranked Joel Flaggert from Oklahoma at the Lone Star Duals.

Burnett on Moyer — "Tyler is physically ready to step up to the challenge this year. I don't think the results from last year showed what he is capable of doing. He's proven himself in the past by placing at the University Nationals, but he needs to be able to sustain his momentum. He needs to continue to improve throughout the year to end up on that podium in the spring."

▷ Challengers: Matt Reck, Brad Pendock

• A two-sport standout at Colonial Forge High School, Matt Reck led the wrestling team to four district and region titles and a state championship. A three-time state qualifier, he was a two-time district, region and state champion.

• After wrestling at 184 pounds a year ago, sophomore Brad Pendock will move up to 197 pounds. Pendock turned in a 1-6 record as a freshman.



Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Moyer Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Glenn - American	NA
Amateur Wrestling News	Glenn - American	NA
The Wrestling Report	Glenn - American	NA
The Wrestling Mall	Glenn - American	NA
W.I.N. Magazine	Glenn - American	NA



Heavyweight

◁ Projected Starter: Ed Prendergast

• Ranked among the top 10 in three preseason polls, including sixth by Amateur Wrestling News, Ed Prendergast returns for his senior campaign fresh off his first NCAA Championship appearance. Prendergast turned in a 37-7 record a year ago, including an 11-2 mark in dual meet action. He captured tournament titles at the Eastern Michigan Open, the Navy Classic, the

Nittany Lion Open, the All-Academy Championship, as well as the EIWA Championship, qualifying him for the NCAA Championship. Seventeen of his 37 wins were by way of fall and were the most pins by a Navy wrestler since John Reich set the record in 1983 with 24. Meanwhile, his 37 wins are the ninth most in a Navy single season.

• Top-ranked Dustin Fox handed Prendergast two of his seven season losses a year ago. Though the two won't meet this year in dual action, don't count out a rematch at one of the many national caliber tournaments Navy is taking part in before the holiday season.

Burnett on Prendergast — "Ed has done a good job of recovering from knee surgery after injuring it at last year's National Tournament. Because of that rehab time, he is a little behind heading into his senior year. Nonetheless, Ed has proven that he can compete at a high level and I expect him to be on the podium in March."

▷ Challengers: Scott Steele, Josh Priebe

• With Prendergast falling behind because of his spring knee injury, Steele could potentially give Prendergast fits for the starting job. Steele turned in a 23-9 record a year ago seeing action against nearly half of the top 12 wrestlers in the country. According to Burnett, "Scott has improved a great deal over the last year and could create an interesting scenario between he and Ed. They are both capable of finishing high on the podium and Scott has shown he can compete at a high level."



• With Prendergast and Steele ahead of him on the ladder, Priebe saw action in just seven matches a year ago. The senior, however, does have experience should Burnett look to him for additional leadership.

Preseason Polls	Preseason Favorite	Prendergast Rk.
NWCA/InterMat	Fox - Northwestern	7th
Amateur Wrestling News	Fox - Northwestern	6th
The Wrestling Report	Fox - Northwestern	9th
The Wrestling Mall	Fox - Northwestern	7th
W.I.N. Magazine	Fox - Northwestern	7th