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Welcome

Welcome to the MHSAA Championships! This is a classroom like no other, and now is the time for the final exam. Like the academic classroom, some have had good fortune and smooth sailing along the way in getting here while others have overcome adversity during the season. Even today, a good bounce or a bad bounce will occur.



Your athletic skills are put to the test, but more importantly, your discipline will be challenged, as well. The knack for making the right move at the right moment is often the difference between winning and coming up just short.

Discipline also means testing your self-control and people skills. To embrace our diverse opponents as equals, and to employ common decency – every – single – moment. Win or lose.

That's the beauty of educational athletics. The takeaways today are not the trophies and medals, but the life lessons learned and applied over years of sports.

Congratulations for reaching the end of the tournament road. Good luck to all!

— Mark Uyl
MHSAA Executive Director

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Dominance



Dominance ruled the day at Ford Field for the 2023 MHSAA Individual Wrestling Finals as Division 1 featured three four-time champs, Division 3 crowned another, while the Girls Division boasted an undefeated season with all wins by fall.

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DOMINANCE RULES THE DAY IN 2023



Never in the history of the MHSAA Individual Wrestling Finals had more than two wrestlers won their fourth title in the same year.

In 2023, three accomplished the feat in Division 1 alone, including, for the first time ever, a pair of teammates.

Detroit Catholic Central's **Dylan Gilcher** and Davison's **Josh Barr** and **Caden Horwath** each won their fourth titles at Ford Field, joining an elite group that now numbers 35.

"I'm honored to be a part of that group," Barr said after his 17-5 major decision victory against Hartland's Brayden Bobo at 175 pounds.

Barr and Horwath were the fourth and fifth Cardinals to win four titles, joining Brent Metcalf (2002-05), Lincoln Olson (2012-15) and Alex Facundo (2018-21).

Horwath claimed his fourth title with a 12-2 major decision against Grosse Pointe South's Wyatt Hepner (39-7) at 126 pounds. His previous titles came at 103, 119 and 125.

"Just coming off the mat now, it feels pretty surreal," said Horwath, who finished the season 22-1.

Gilcher claimed No. 4 with a 20-4 technical fall in the second period against Travis Richards of Brighton (29-7) at 150 pounds. His previous titles came at 112, 135 and 140. He finished his senior season at 32-0.

"It feels real great," Gilcher said. "I am. I'm really glad I was first (on the team to wrestle today), because I was stressing out about my match. But now all the stress is gone and I can just cheer on my team."

Khloe Williams wasted no time securing her second career Michigan championship during 2024 at Ford Field.

It took the Clio senior only 30 seconds to post a victory by pin over Kalamazoo Loy Norrix sophomore Heaven Cole in the 170-pound title match.

All four of Williams' victories in the Finals resulted in falls that took a minute or less. In fact, all 32 of her matches this season resulted in wins by pin.

"I just wanted to do that this year. I just wanted to pin everyone," said Williams, who won a Michigan Wrestling Association state title as a freshman, finished second in MWA as a sophomore and then runner-up again in the 2022 MHSAA Tournament.

Would you believe that wrestling isn't necessarily Williams' favorite sport? She's been wrestling for 13 years. She followed in older brother Kam's footsteps. He was a Finals runner-up in high school.

Softball is No. 1 for Khloe Williams now, however. She intends on playing it at Mott Community College. Williams plays center field, showing that in addition to her prowess on the mat she can also cover some ground in the outfield.

When asked if it would be difficult to give up a sport like wrestling in which she's had so much success, she just shrugged.

"Kind of, a little bit," she grinned.

"She's very humble. She just comes in the room and works hard – doesn't really have much to say. She's there every day. She puts her work in," Clio coach Tony Vance said.

Winning four MHSAA Individual Finals wrestling titles is quite an accomplishment.

Winning eight total wrestling championships is even more impressive.

But, that's becoming somewhat commonplace for the Dundee wrestling program.

In 2023, Dundee senior Braeden Davis (41-0) became the fifth wrestler in MHSAA history to win a fourth individual wrestling state championship to go with four team state championships as he defeated Grand Rapids Catholic Central's Michael Wilson (32-4), 3-1, in the 132-pound Division 3 final.

Three of the five four-four winners have come from the Dundee program, as Davis joined Stoney Buell (2018-21) and Casey Swiderski (2019-22).

"It means a lot. I am glad and proud for myself. It's a great privilege and great accomplishment," Davis said of joining the four-time winner club. "It means a lot to (join the other two with eight titles). We trained a lot together. We all managed to succeed and get things done."

Davis hadn't seen a third round in his previous three Individual Finals weekends and still hadn't until last year. The first two rounds of the championship match were scoreless before Davis got an escape to start the third and then finally scored a takedown later in the round to go up 3-0.

"I try not to think about (winning quickly) because that can make me nervous. I just try to drown it out and not think about that," Davis said. "I just had to wrestle smart."

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Girls Division

- 100: Madison Nieuwenhuis, Plainwell, Fr. (34-7) Decision, 4-3, over Mackenzie Burger, Mount Pleasant, Sr. (26-12)
105: Nakayla Dawson, Westland John Glenn, Fr. (41-2) Fall, 3:33, over Natalie Gibson, Remus Chippewa Hills, Soph. (25-6)
110: Sky Langewicz, Algonac, Soph. (46-5) Decision, 5-3, over Sunni LaFond, Gaylord, Soph. (30-15)
115: Faith Burgess, Grand Blanc, Soph. (29-3) Fall, 2:49, over Morgan Irwin, Westland John Glenn, Sr. (30-7)
120: Cecilia Williams, Mason, Fr. (23-5) Fall, 5:28, over Isabella Cepak, South Lyon East, Soph. (45-10)
125: Margaret Buurma, Fowlerville, Soph. (31-7) Fall, 2:35, over Jamie Cook, DeWitt, Soph. (28-7)
130: Angelina Pena, Milan, Jr. (21-5) Decision, 5-0, over Tyler Swanigan, South Lyon East, Jr. (38-15)
135: Serenity Hayes, Whittemore-Prescott, Soph. (34-6) Decision, 1-0, over Caylynn Chandler, Birch Run, Sr. (13-3)
140: Ryen Allen, Goodrich, Jr. (7-2) Decision, 5-2, over Danni Swihart, Hanover-Horton, Sr. (35-7)
145: Lydia Roope, St. Charles, Sr. (25-7) Fall, 4:36, over Rihanna Venegas, Riverview Gabriel Richard, Soph. (23-5)
155: Maddie Hayden, Caledonia, Fr. (25-4) Decision, 7-5, over Brynn Green, Howell, Sr. (27-3)
170: Khloe Williams, Clio, Sr. (32-0) Fall, :30, over Heaven Cole, Kalamazoo Loy Norrix, So. (14-2)
190: Sabrina Nauss, Brighton, Jr. (13-0) Fall, 1:09, over Gabriella Allen, Marcellus, Jr. (30-5)
235: Mady Frisbie, Belding, Soph. (21-12) Decision, 5-0, over Lillianna Garcia, Grand Blanc, Jr. (20-9)

Boys Division 1 Results

- 106: Wyatt Lees, Detroit Catholic Central, Fr. (42-10) Decision, 3-2, over Brice LaFleur, Saline, Fr. (43-4)
113: Bohdan Abbey, Hartland, Fr. (44-3) Major Decision, 13-5, over Archer Anderson, Clarkston, Soph. (27-9)
120: Caleb Weiand, Macomb Dakota, Sr. (47-0) Decision, 5-3 (OT), over Josh Vasquez, Grandville, Soph. (41-3)
126: Caden Horwath, Davison, Sr. (22-1) Major Decision, 12-2, over Wyatt Hepner, Grosse Pointe South, So. (39-7)
132: Drew Heethuis, Detroit Catholic Central, Sr. (53-1) Decision, 4-3, over Elijah Bunn, Rockford, Jr. (52-3)
138: Justin Gates, Davison, Jr. (34-2) Decision, 2-1, over Mason Stewart, Detroit Catholic Central, Jr. (47-6)
144: Clayton Jones, Detroit Catholic Central, Sr. (49-3) Technical Fall, 17-2, over JayDen Williams, Roseville, Fr. (47-2)
150: Dylan Gilcher, Detroit Catholic Central, Sr. (32-0) Technical Fall, 20-4, over Travis Richardson, Brighton, Sr. (29-7)
157: Darius Marines, Detroit Catholic Central, Jr. (36-3) Major Decision, 11-2, over Vinnie Abbey, Hartland, Jr. (46-3)
165: Cameron Adams, Detroit Catholic Central, Sr. (35-4) Fall, 1:03, over Nick Rochowiak, Hartland, Sr. (39-4)
175: Josh Barr, Davison, Sr. (33-0) Major Decision, 17-5, over Brayden Bobo, Hartland, Sr. (44-3)
190: Brayden Mirjavadi, Romeo, Sr. (52-4) Decision, 3-2, over Ryan Ahern, Rockford, Jr. (51-3)
215: Connor Bercume, Detroit Catholic Central, Soph. (49-4) Decision, 8-3 UTB, over Matthew Bollman, Lapeer, Sr. (40-4)
285: Owen Hawley, Livonia Franklin, Sr. (55-0) Decision, 4-2, over Judah Kinne, Lake Orion, Sr. (31-2)

Boys Division 2 Results

- 106: Brady Baker, Stevensville Lakeshore, Soph. (48-2) Major Decision, 9-1, over Cristian Haslem, St. Clair, Fr. (46-2)
113: Malachi Kapenga, Hamilton, Soph. (48-4) Decision 6-4 (OT) over Carter Cichocki, Lowell, Soph. (31-9)
120: Jackson Blum, Lowell, Soph. (39-3) 23-8 Technical Fall (4:52) over Tayden Miller, Mason, Sr. (37-2)
126: Marcello Milani, Orchard Lake St. Mary's, Sr. (50-0) Decision, 3-0, over Bryce Shingelton, Linden, Sr. (45-3)
132: Grant Stahl, Mount Pleasant, Sr. (41-0) Decision, 12-9, over Aaron Lucio, Stevensville Lakeshore, Sr. (49-2)
138: Jayden Schwartz, Charlotte, Sr. (52-2) Decision, 11-5, over Owen Segorski, Lowell, Soph. (29-7)
144: CJ Poole, Lowell, Sr. (31-8) Injury Stoppage (5:00) over Loudon Stradling, Gaylord, Sr. (50-1)

- 150: Trevor Swiss, Petoskey, Sr. (47-0) Decision, 10-4, over Jack Conley, Lake Fenton, Sr. (31-3)
157: Cory Thomas Jr., Pontiac, Jr. (26-0) Decision, 5-1, over Zach Jacobs, Jackson Northwest, Sr. (39-3)
165: Philip Lamka, Fenton, Jr. (44-2) Decision, 6-5, over Max Macklem, Goodrich, Soph. (33-5)
175: Brayden Gautreau, Gaylord, Sr. (52-1) Decision, 3-1 (OT), over Carson Crace, Lowell, Sr. (33-6)
190: Eastn Phipps, Goodrich, Jr. (41-4) Decision, 4-2 (UTB), over Jacob Marrs, Clio, Sr. (37-5)
215: Adam Haselius, Jackson Northwest, Sr. (50-0) Decision, 5-1, over Joey Scaramuzzino, Crosswell-Lexington, Jr. (51-4)
285: James Mahon, Goodrich, Soph. (14-0) Decision, 5-4, over Aaron Holstege, Allendale, Sr. (49-1)

Boys Division 3 Results

- 106: Haydn Nutt, Dundee, Fr. (38-6) Major Decision, 12-2, over Mason Haines, Dundee, Fr. (28-8)
113: Dale Gant, Grand Rapids Catholic Central, Fr. (39-6) Decision, 2-1, over Talan Parsons, Ovid-Elsie, Jr. (50-1)
120: Kade Kluce, Dundee, Jr. (42-5) Major Decision, 14-4, over Noah Harris, Richmond, Sr. (41-6)
126: Cameron Chinavare, Dundee, Jr. (37-2) Decision, 3-0, over Gavyn Merchant, Kingsley, Jr. (44-2)
132: Braeden Davis, Dundee, Sr. (41-0) Decision, 3-1, over Michael Wilson, Grand Rapids Catholic Central, So. (32-4)
138: Kaden Chinavare, Dundee, Sr. (41-6) Decision, 5-4, over Gianni Tripp, Alma, Sr. (51-6)
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150: Kole Katschor, Dundee, Soph. (43-9) Decision, 5-4 (OT), over Cole Karasinski, Grand Rapids West Catholic, Sr. (44-1)
157: Aiden Davis, Dundee, Sr. (44-2) Decision, 5-2, over Tyler Schofield, Olivet, Jr. (47-1)
165: Kyan Fessenden, Kingsley, Sr. (41-1) Decision, 4-3, over Connor Owens, Flint Powers Catholic, Sr. (26-2)
175: Noah Etnyre, Lutheran Westland, Sr. (46-3) Fall, 2:35, over Gavin Craner, Belding, Soph. (53-5)
190: Bryson Hughes, Reed City, Sr. (50-2) Decision, 5-3 (OT), over Troy Demas, Constantine, Sr. (50-2)
215: Elizin Rouse, Kingsford, Jr. (35-4) Decision, 5-3 (OT), over Bennett VandenBerg, Constantine, Jr. (54-2)
285: Shane Cook, Whitehall, Sr. (62-0) Decision, 9-5, over Landen Roe, Birch Run, Sr. (44-7)

Boys Division 4 Results

- 106: Nicholas Sorrow, Hudson, Fr. (50-1) Decision, 9-2, over Logan Gilbert, So., Martin (48-6)
113: Sammy Stewart, Manchester, Fr. (19-1) Decision, 14-11, over Alex Rodriguez, St. Louis, Fr. (45-7)
120: Wesley Edie, Grass Lake, Sr. (38-6) Decision, 10-9, over Daven Lockwood, New Lothrop, Sr. (30-7)
126: Shawn McGuire, Iron Mountain, Sr. (40-1) Major Decision, 12-3, over Perry Lake, Bronson, Sr. (47-7)
132: Landyn Crance, Union City, Jr. (44-3) Fall, 2:43, over Haylen Buell, Martin/Climax-Scotts, Fr. (53-5)
138: Josiah Schaub, Traverse City St. Francis, Sr. (38-4) Decision, 4-2, over Blake Sloan, Manchester, Fr. (52-4)
144: Coy Perry, Hudson, Jr. (40-8) Decision, 7-5, over Hunter Coxon, Montrose, Sr. (53-5)
150: Manus Bennett, Marlette, Sr. (49-1) Decision, 5-3, over Evan Haferkorn, Iron Mountain, Sr. (37-2)
157: Sebastian Martinez, Riverview Gabriel Richard, So. (39-3) Major Decision, 10-2, over Dillon Raab, Bark River-Harris, Sr. (48-5)
165: Robert Cann, Whitmore Lake, Sr. (47-3) Major Decision, 15-6, over Fulton Stroud, Iron Mountain, Jr. (36-7)
175: Cole Hopkins, Evart, Sr. (48-0) Major Decision, 10-1, over JR Hildebrand, Martin/Climax-Scotts, Sr. (38-3)
190: Evan Wakefield, Saginaw Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Sr. (54-1) Decision, 4-2 (OT), over Drew Allgeyer, Bark River-Harris, Sr. (35-5)
215: Grady Iobe, Union City, Sr. (39-1) Decision, 7-0, over Daxton Looney, Montrose, Sr. (48-1)
285: Eathan Westfall, Reading, Sr. (45-0) Injury Default, over Grayson Orr, New Lothrop, Sr. (38-2)

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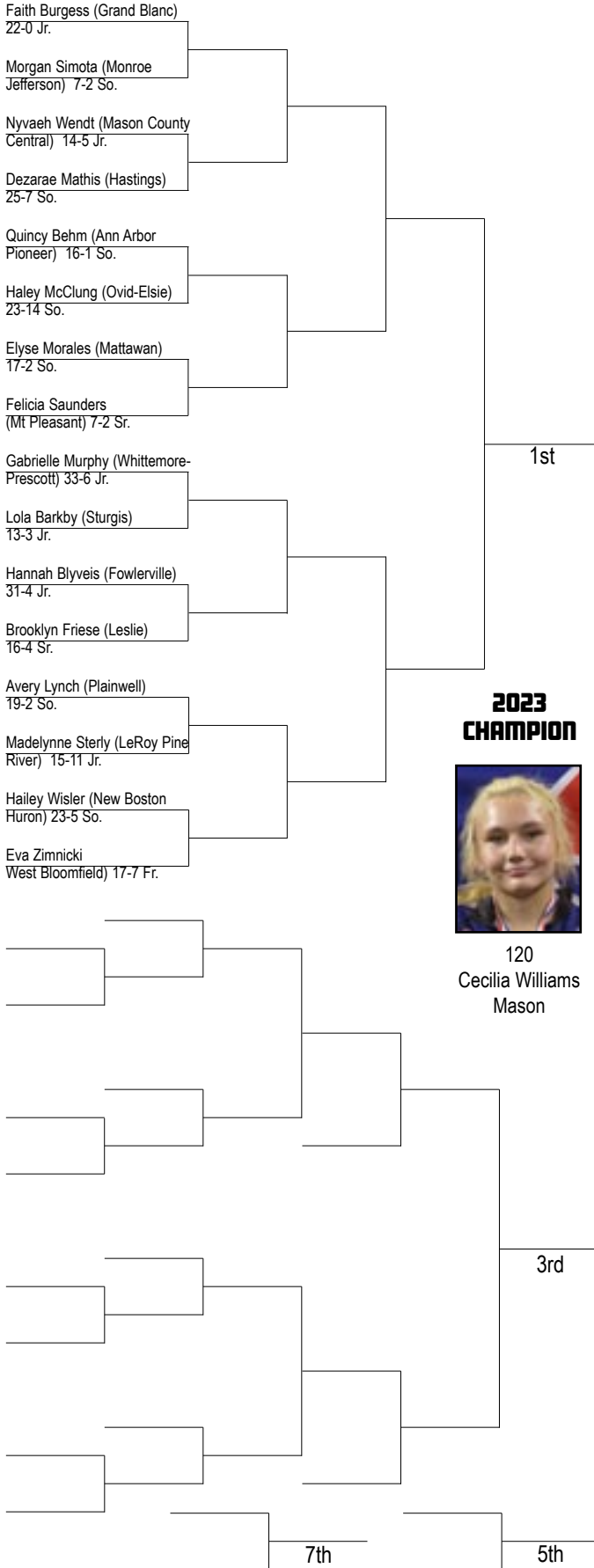
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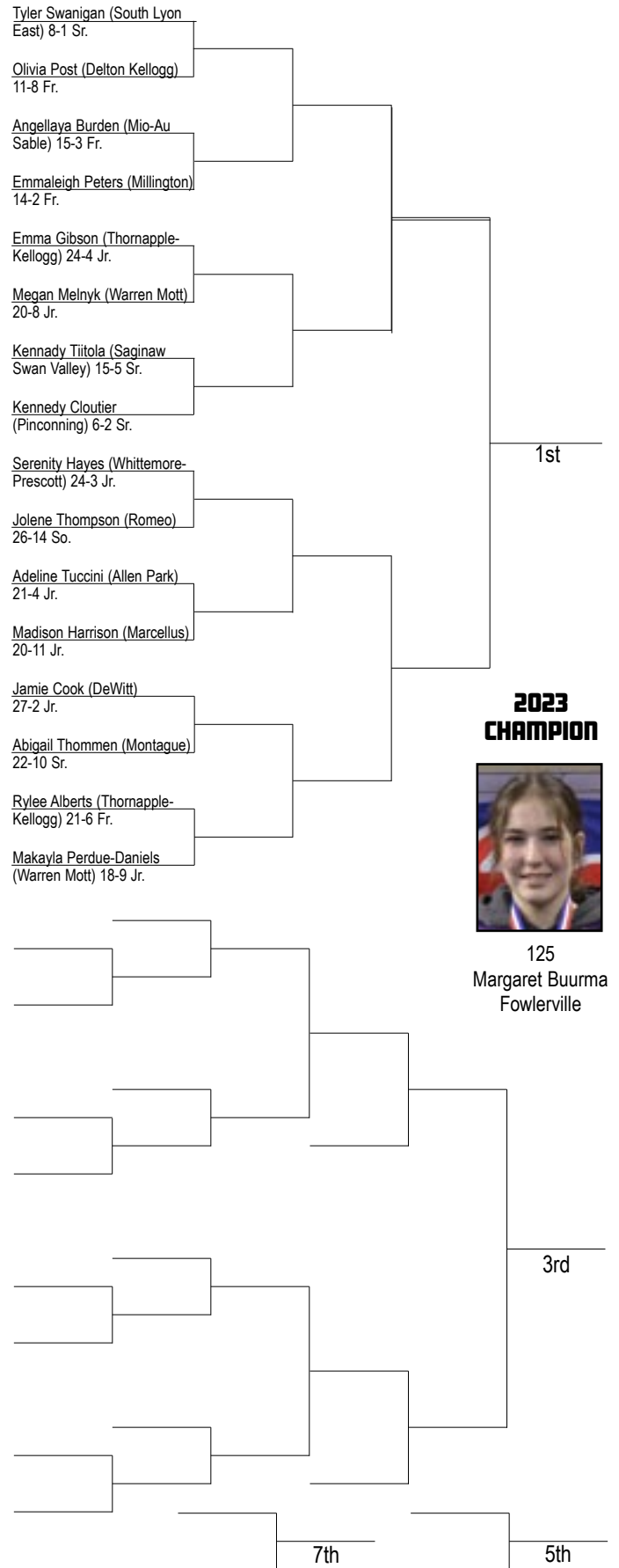
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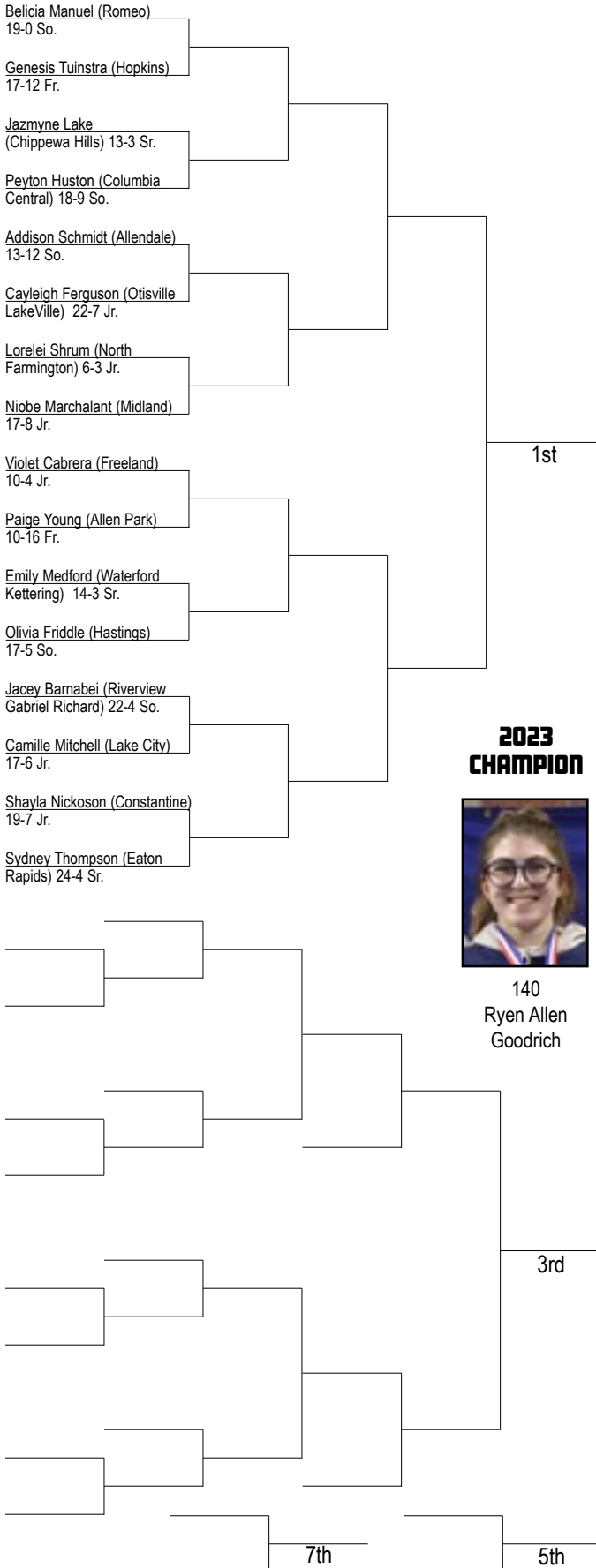


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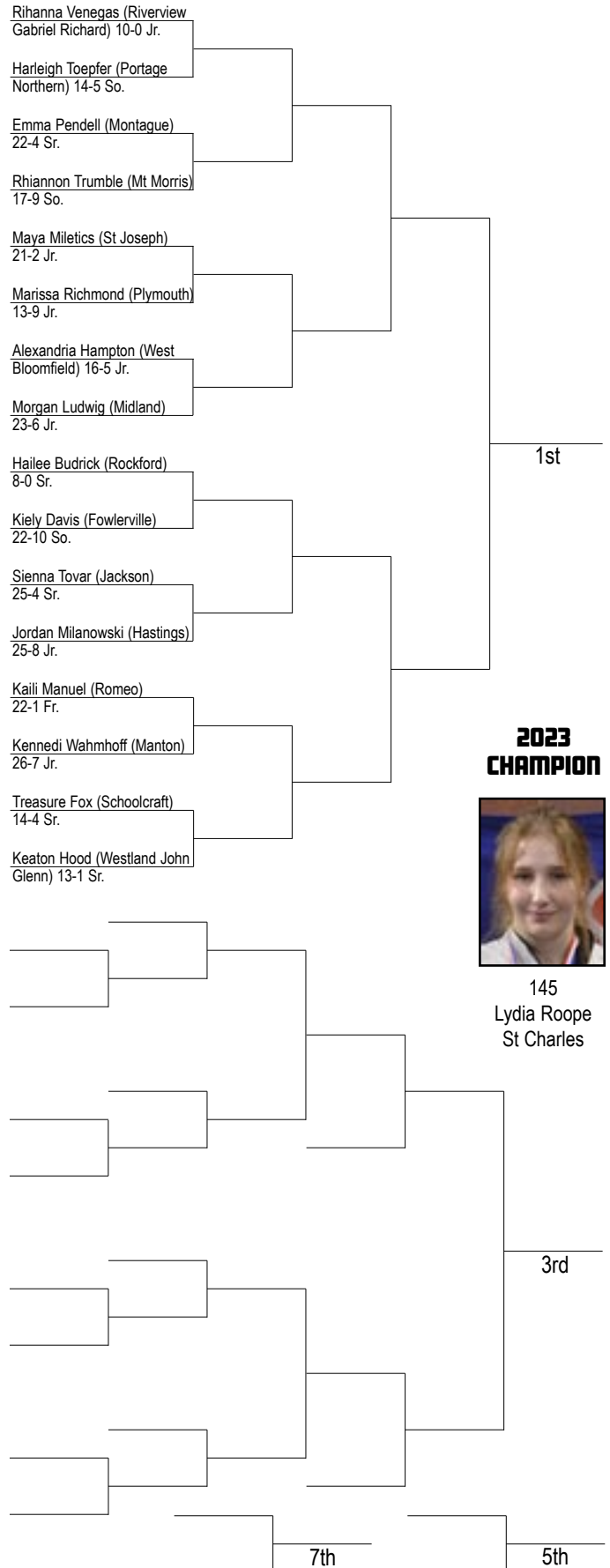


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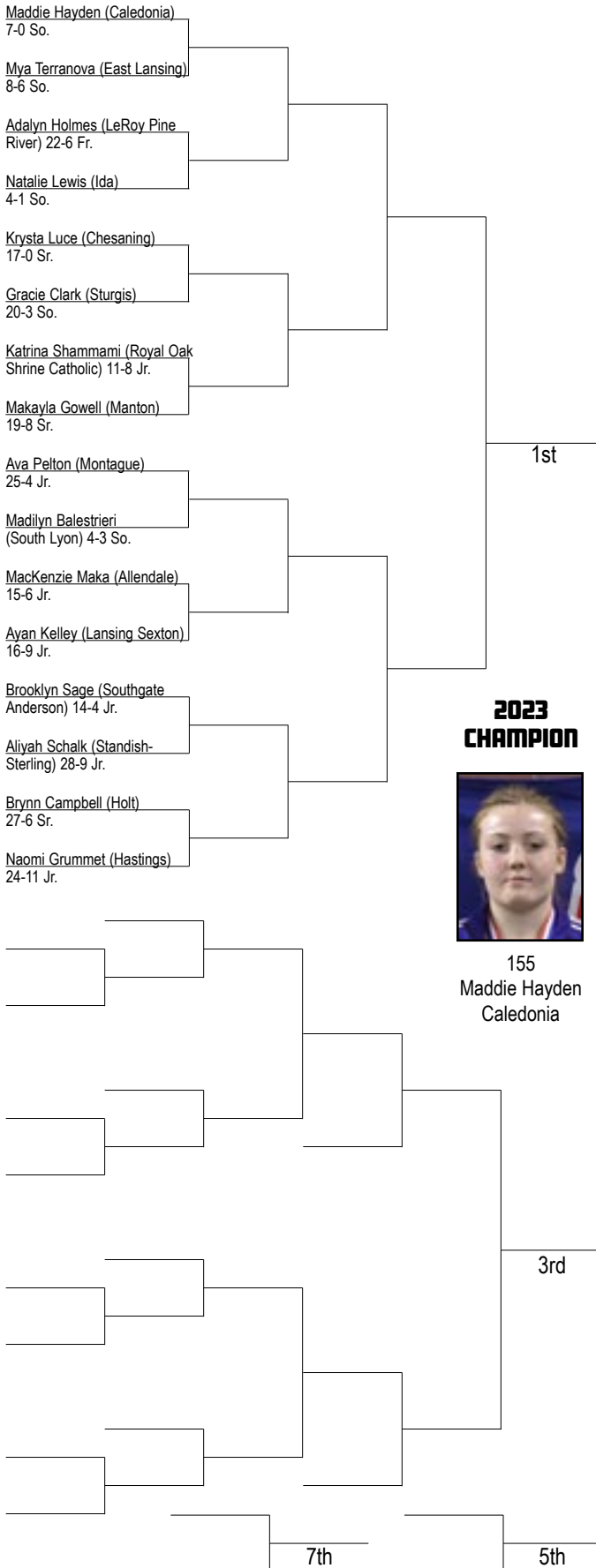


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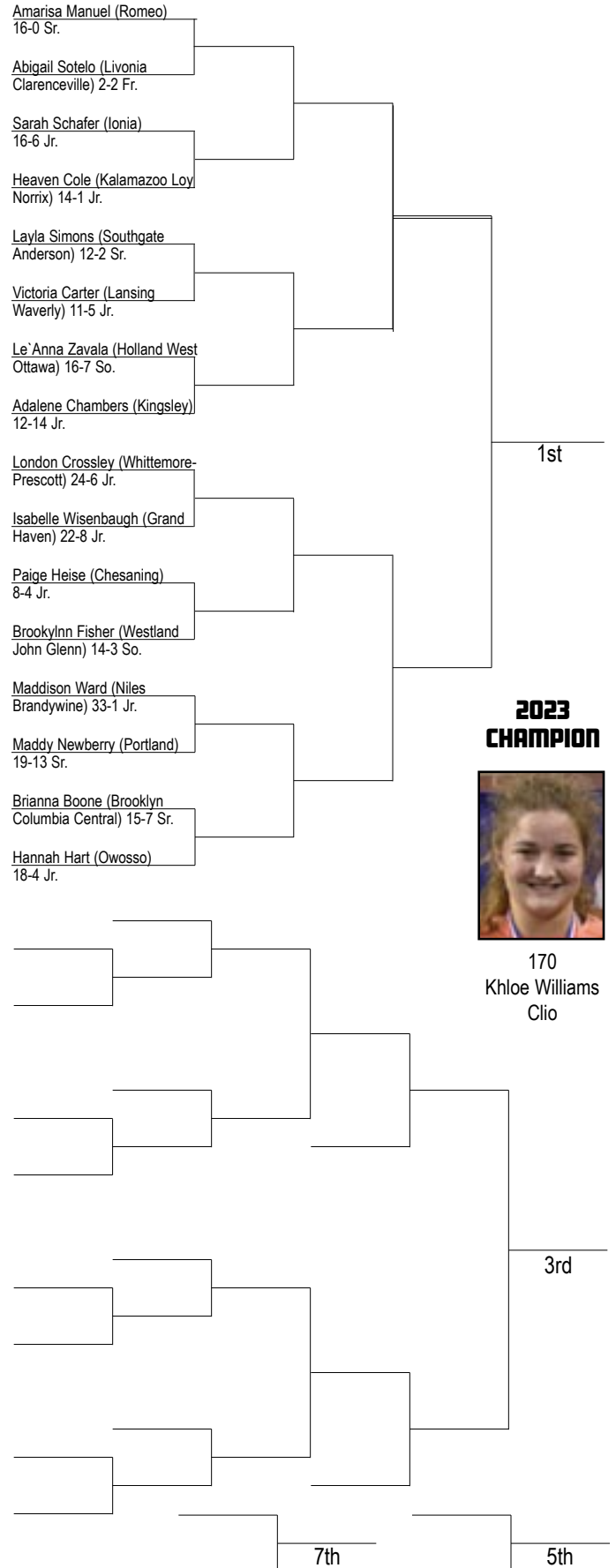


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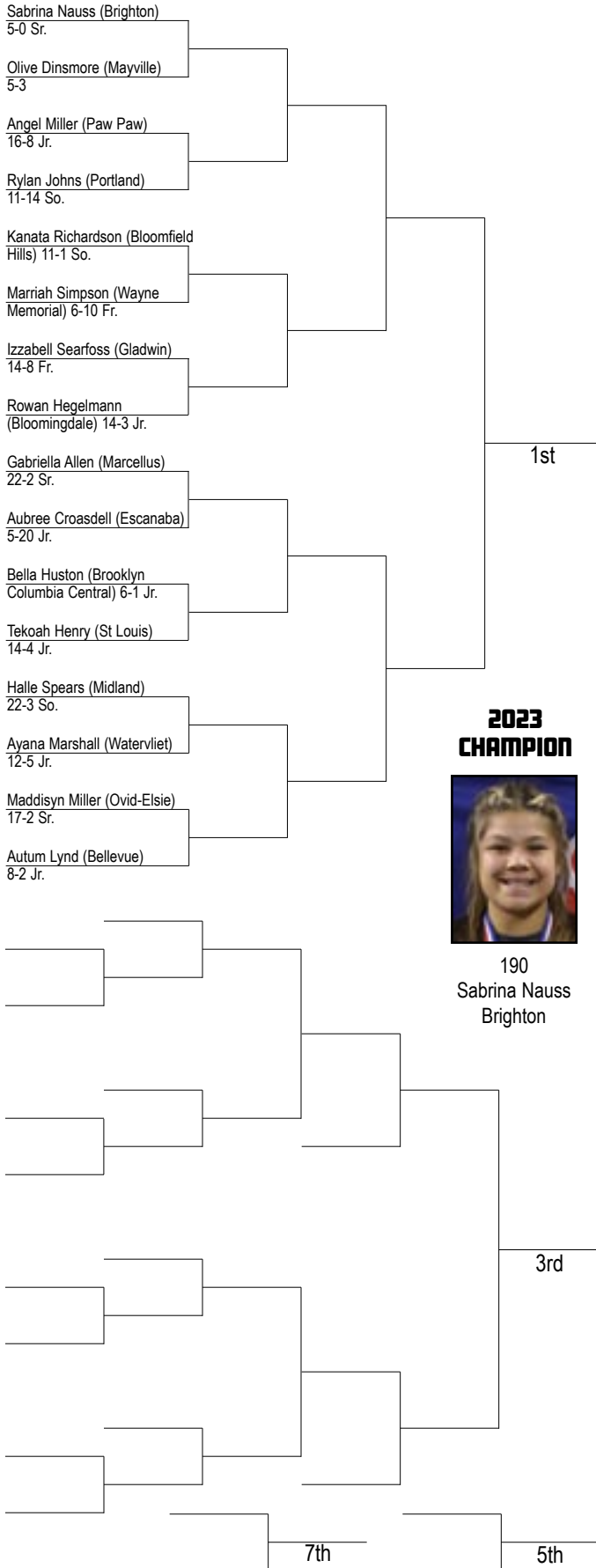


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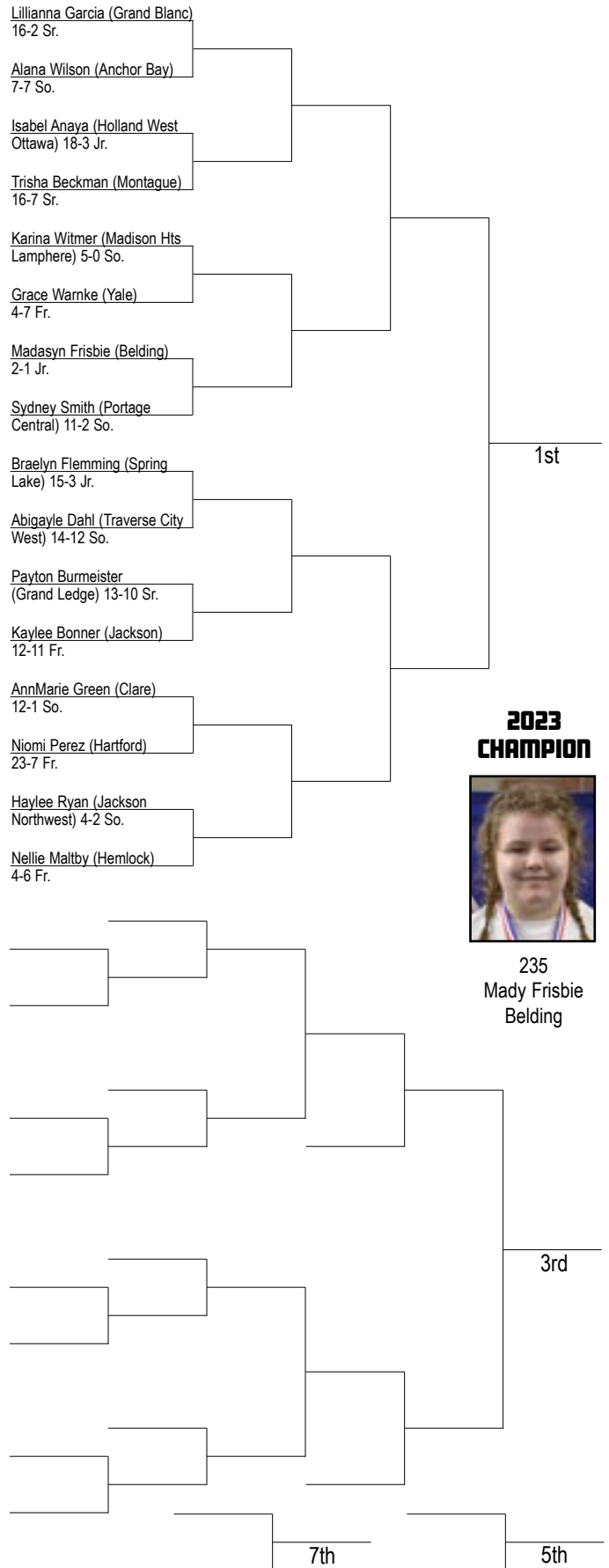


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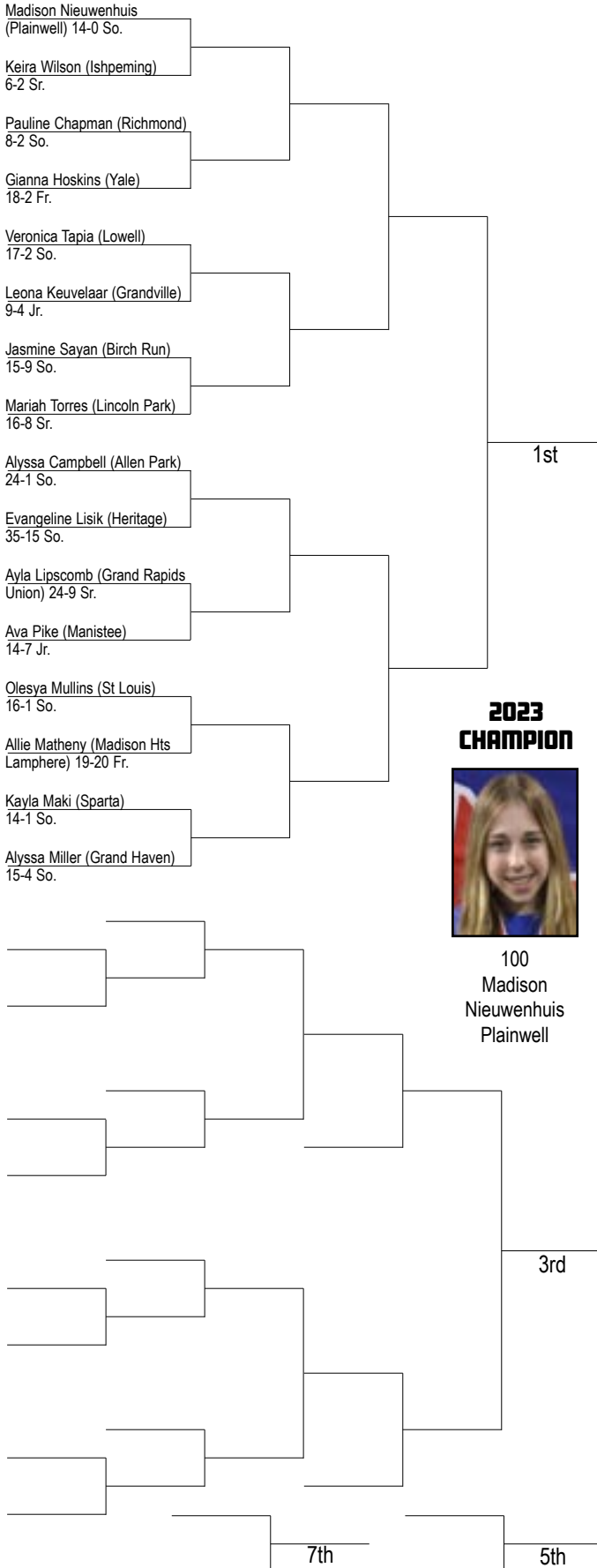


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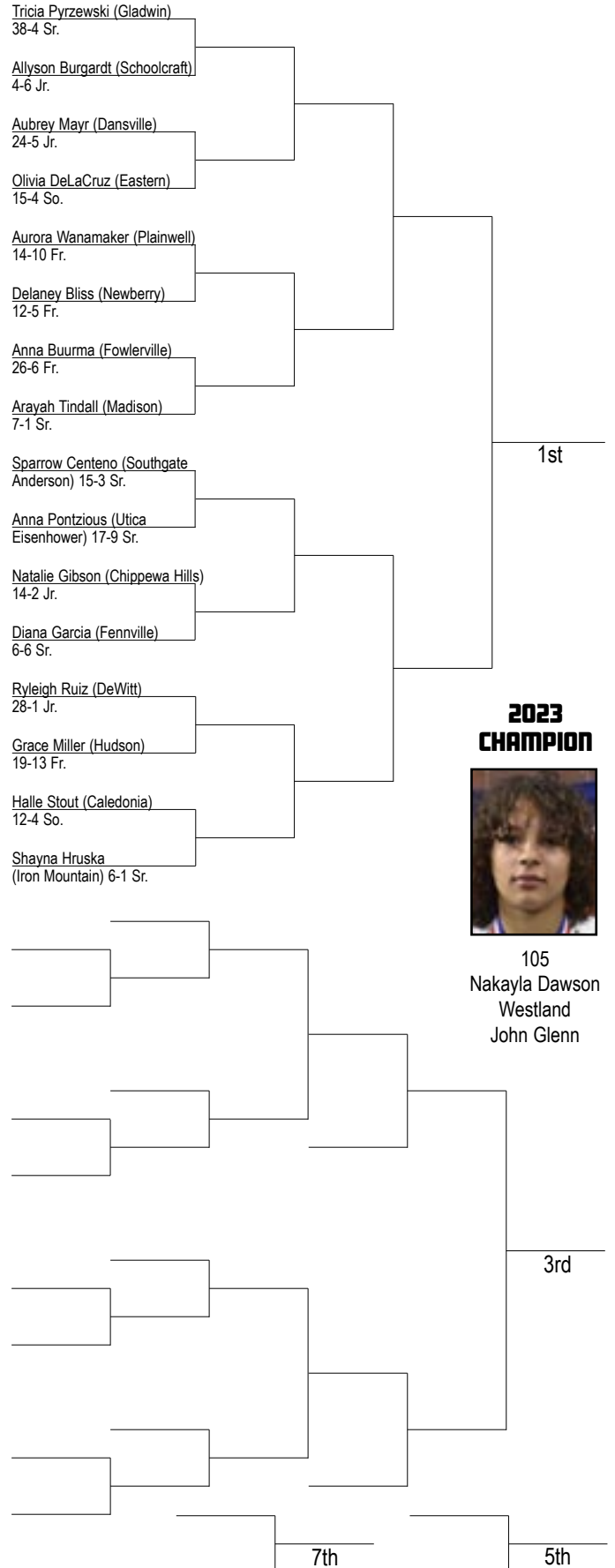


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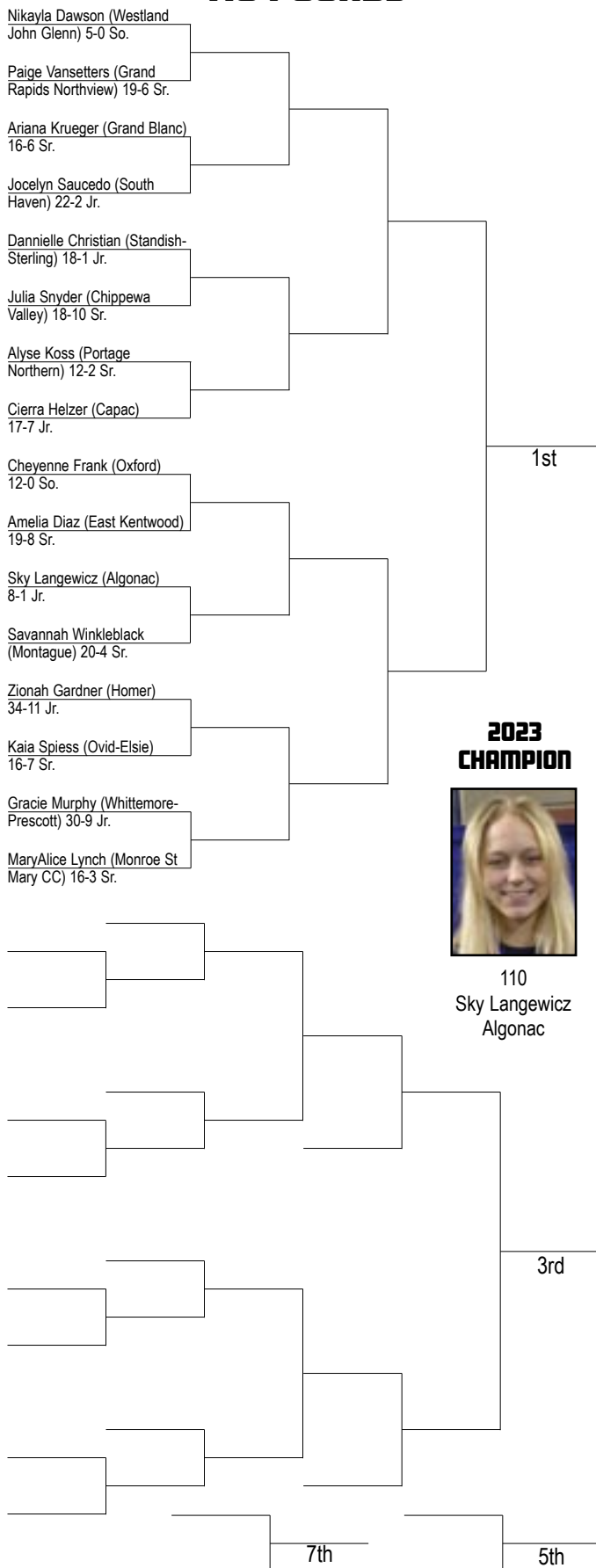


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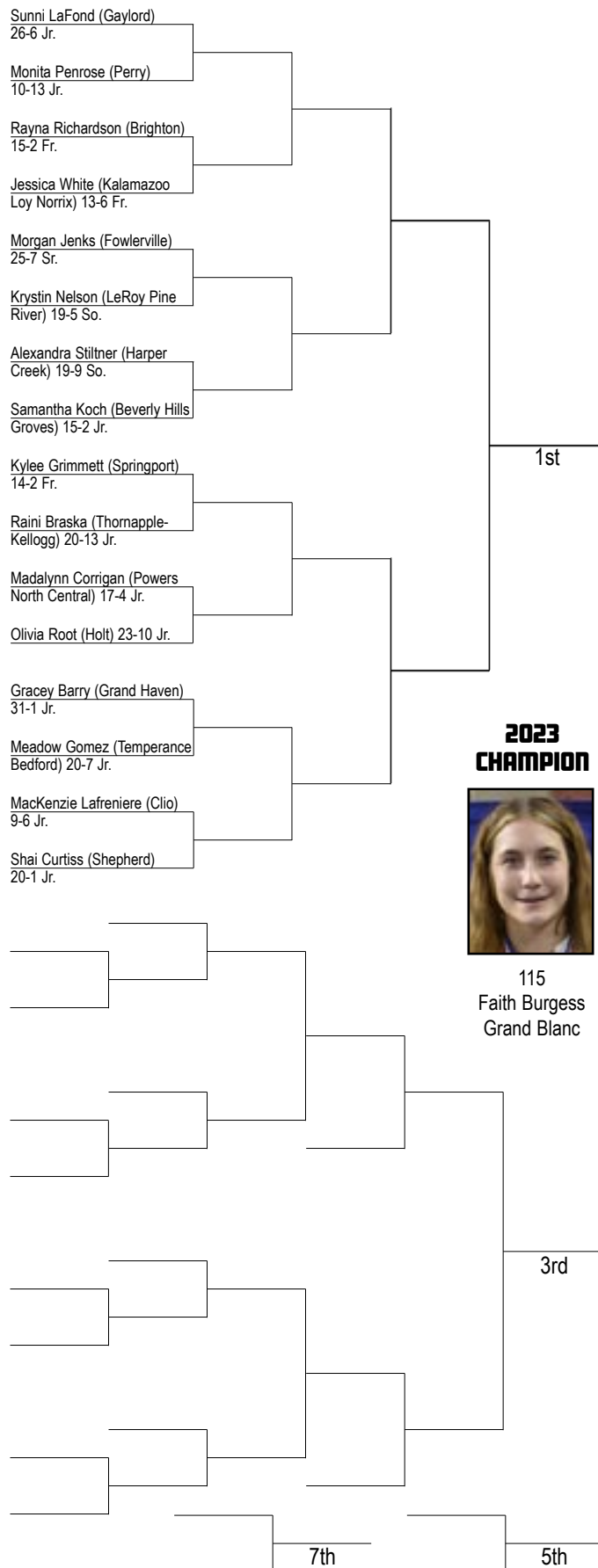


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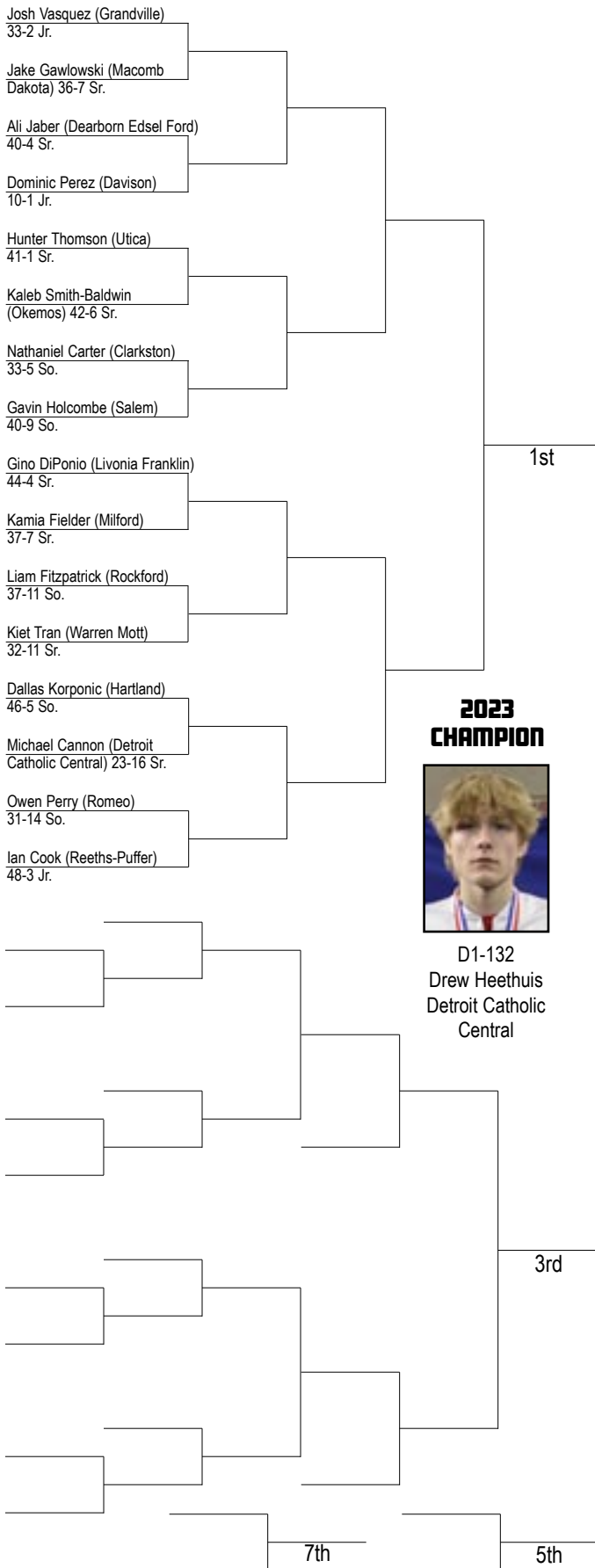
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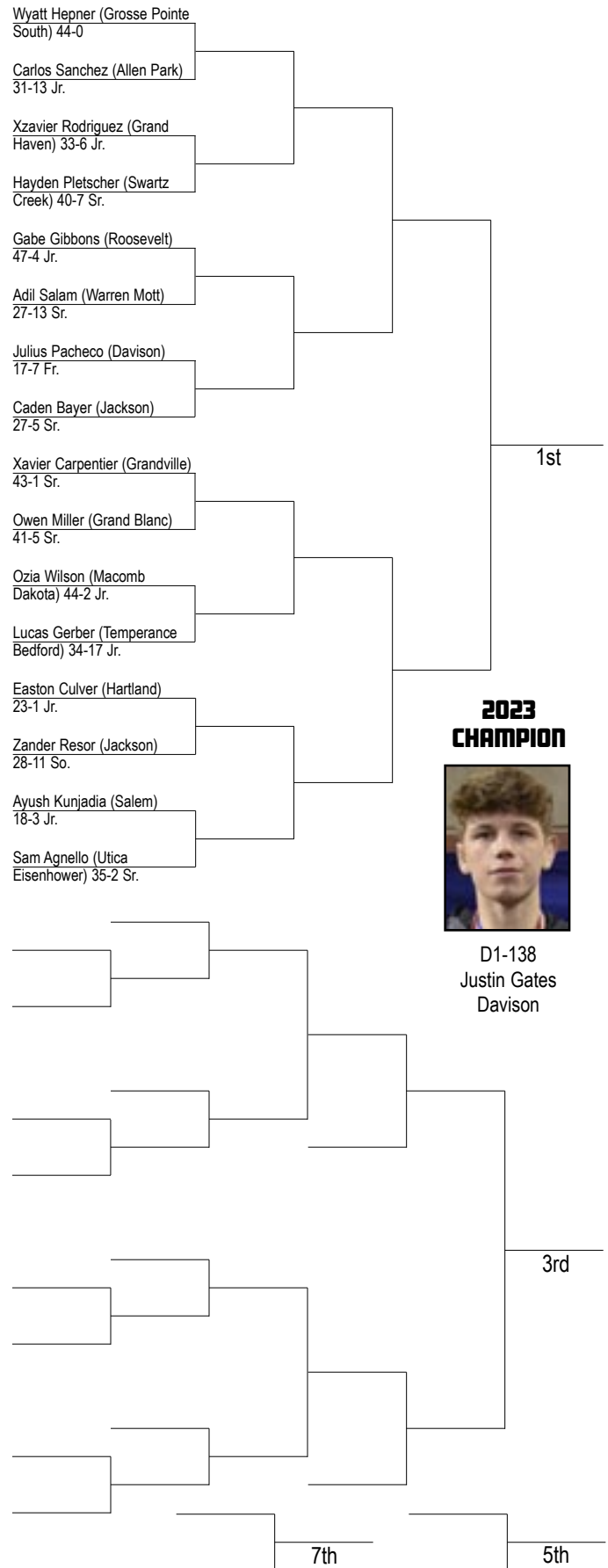
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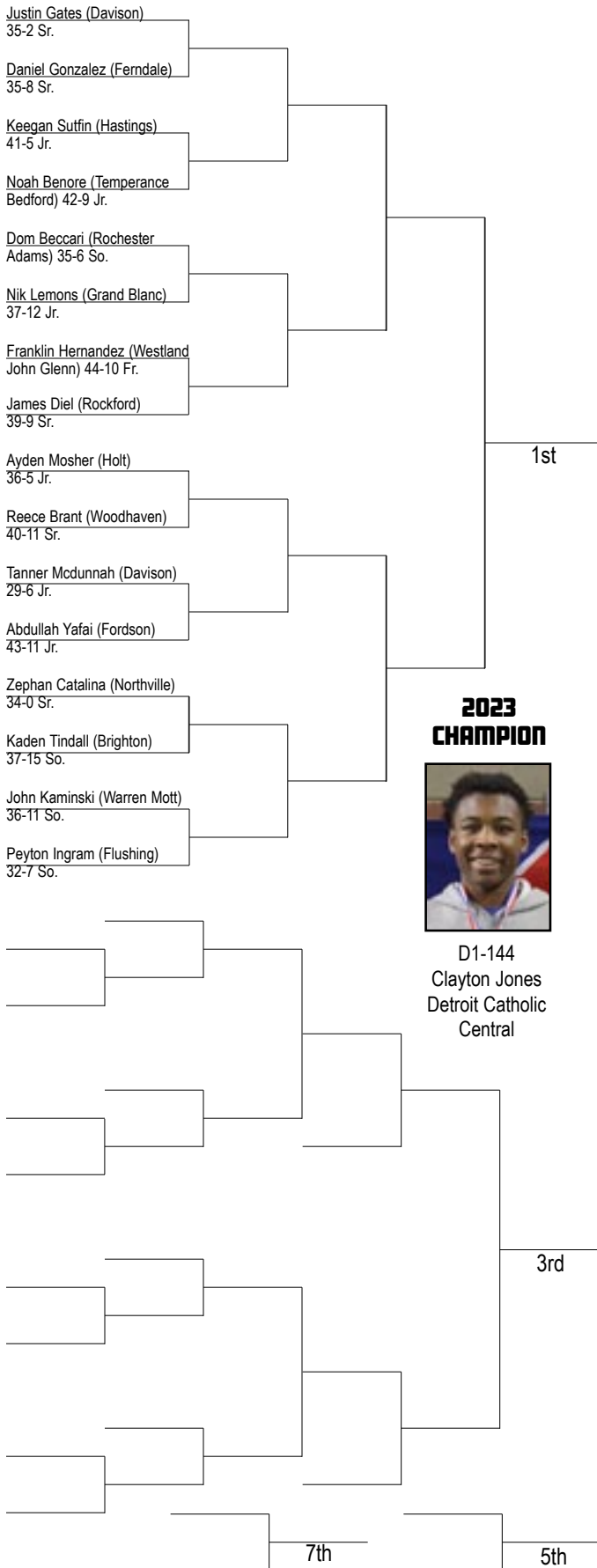


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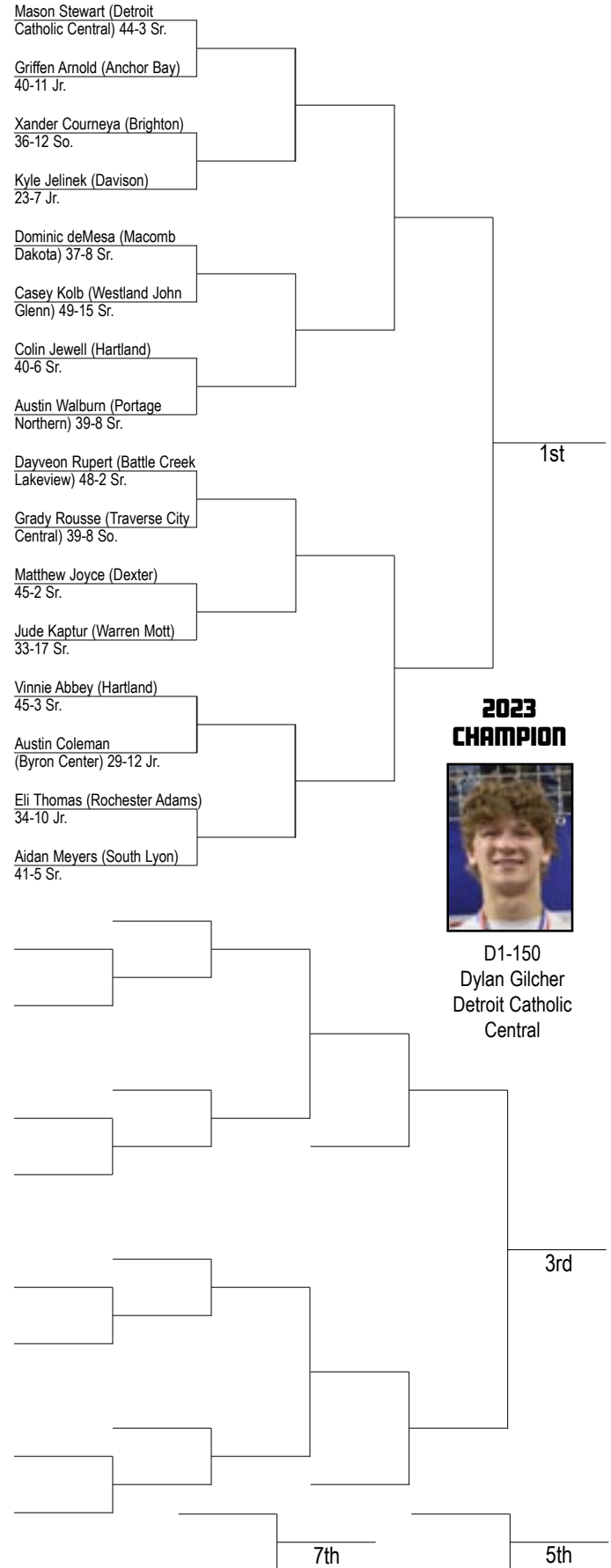


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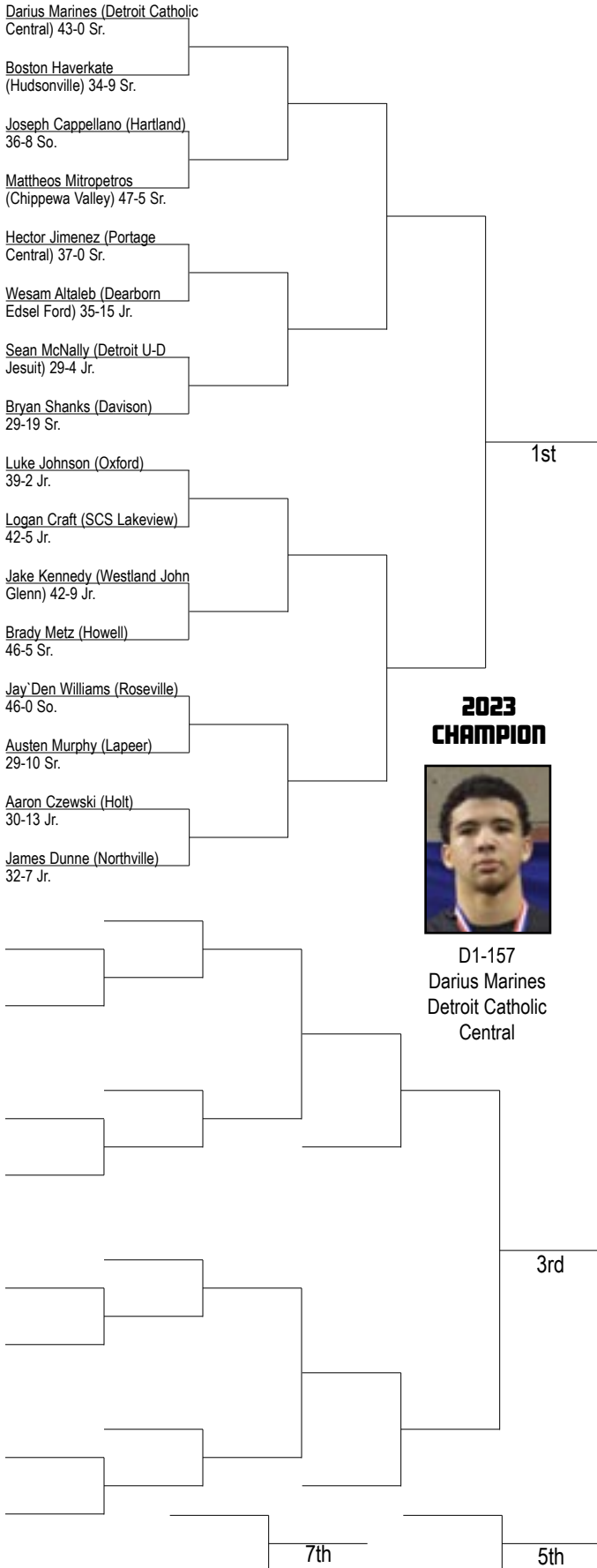


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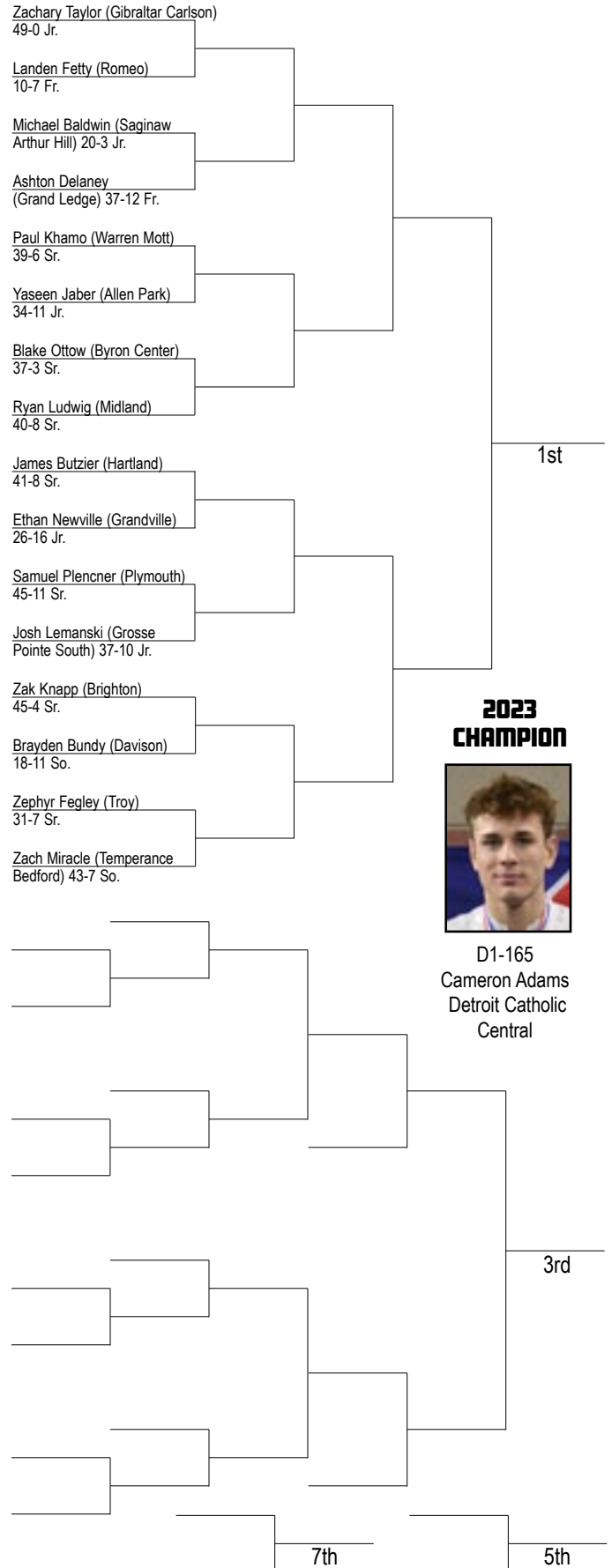


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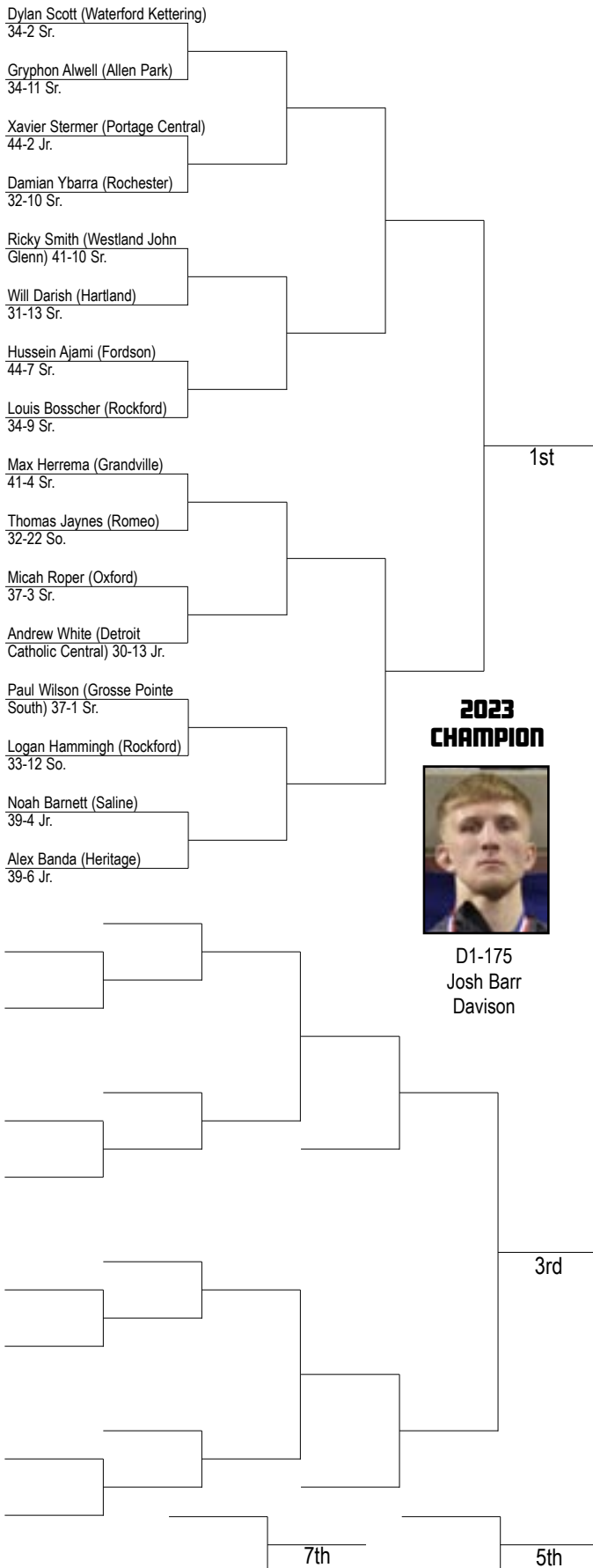


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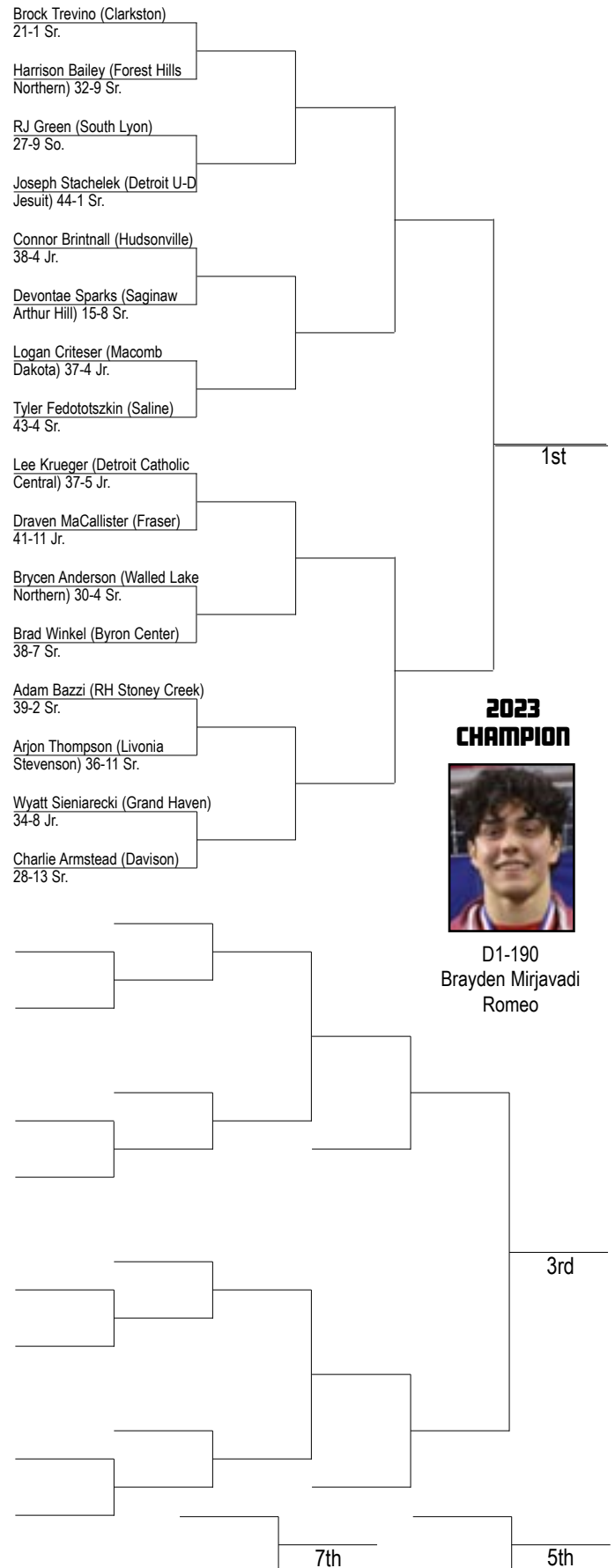


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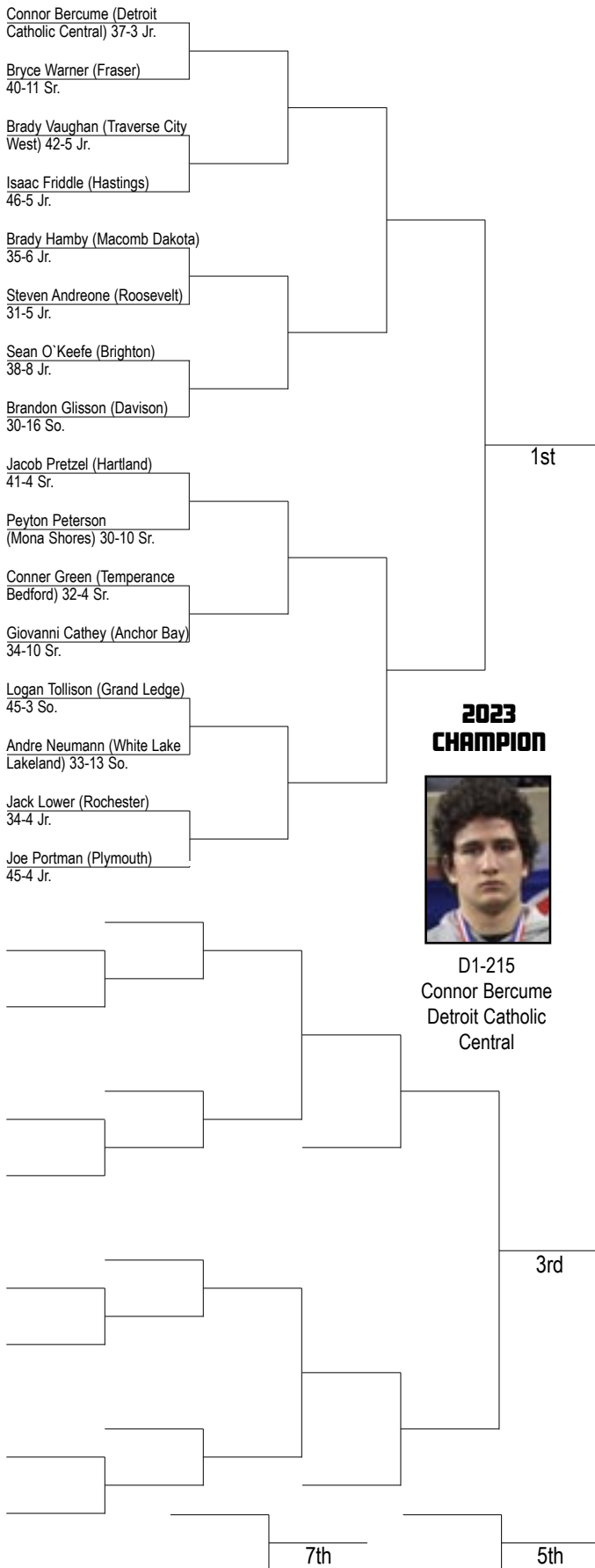


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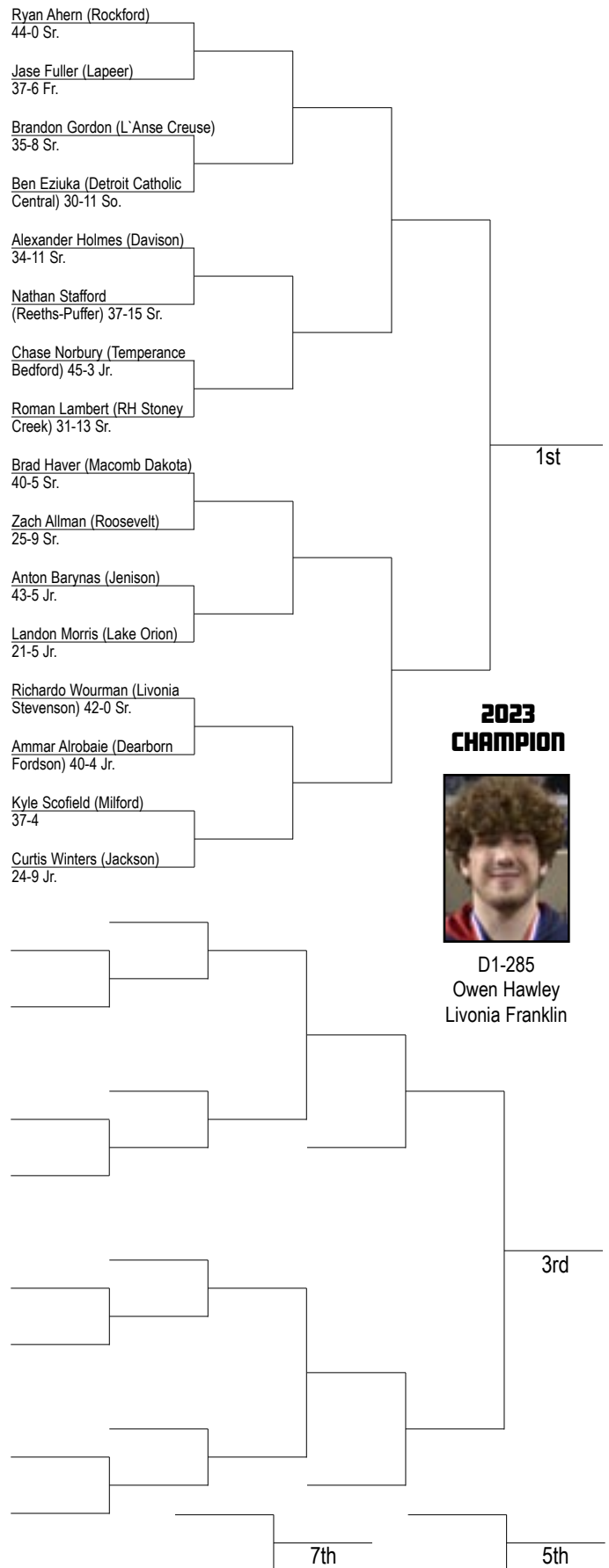


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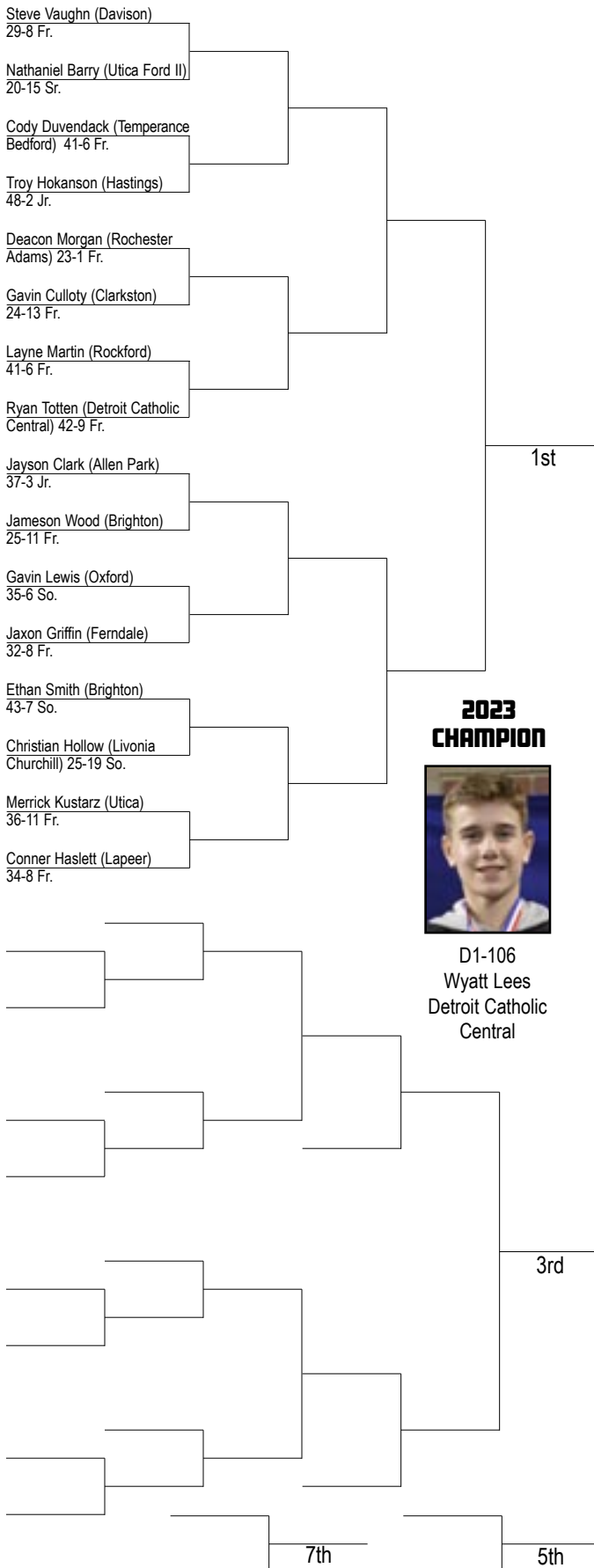


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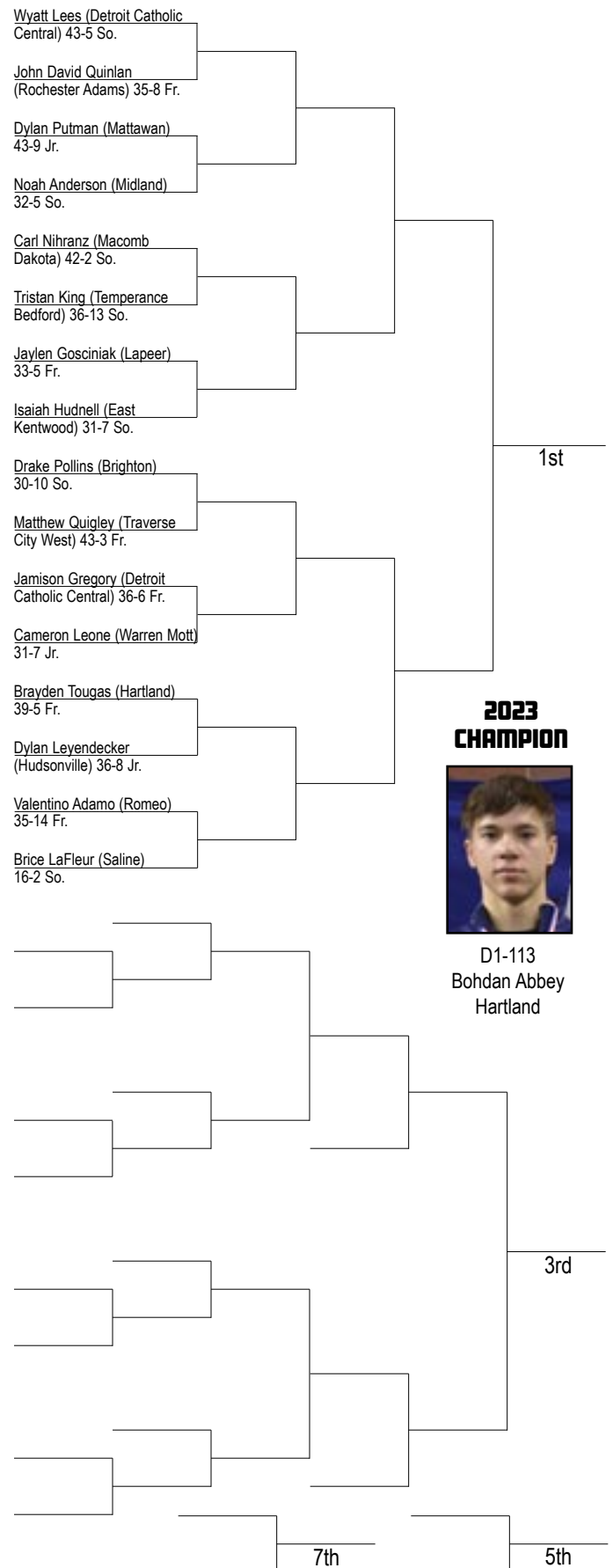


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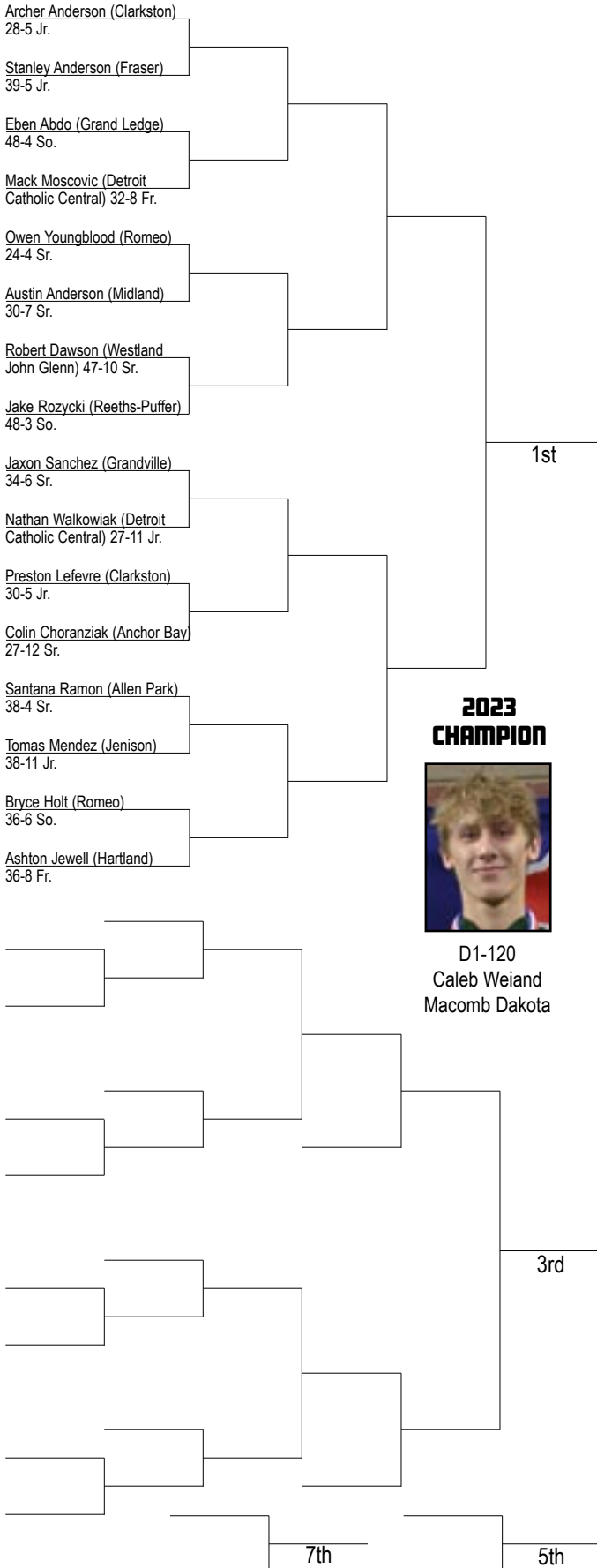


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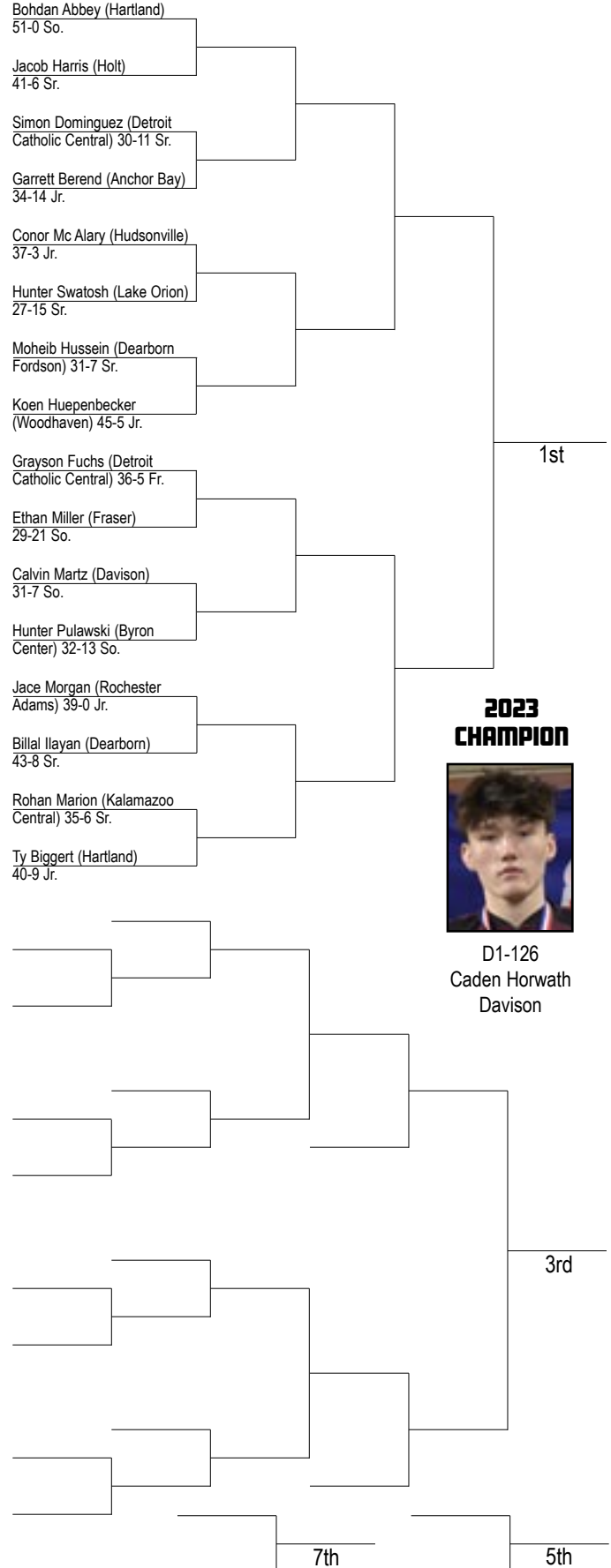


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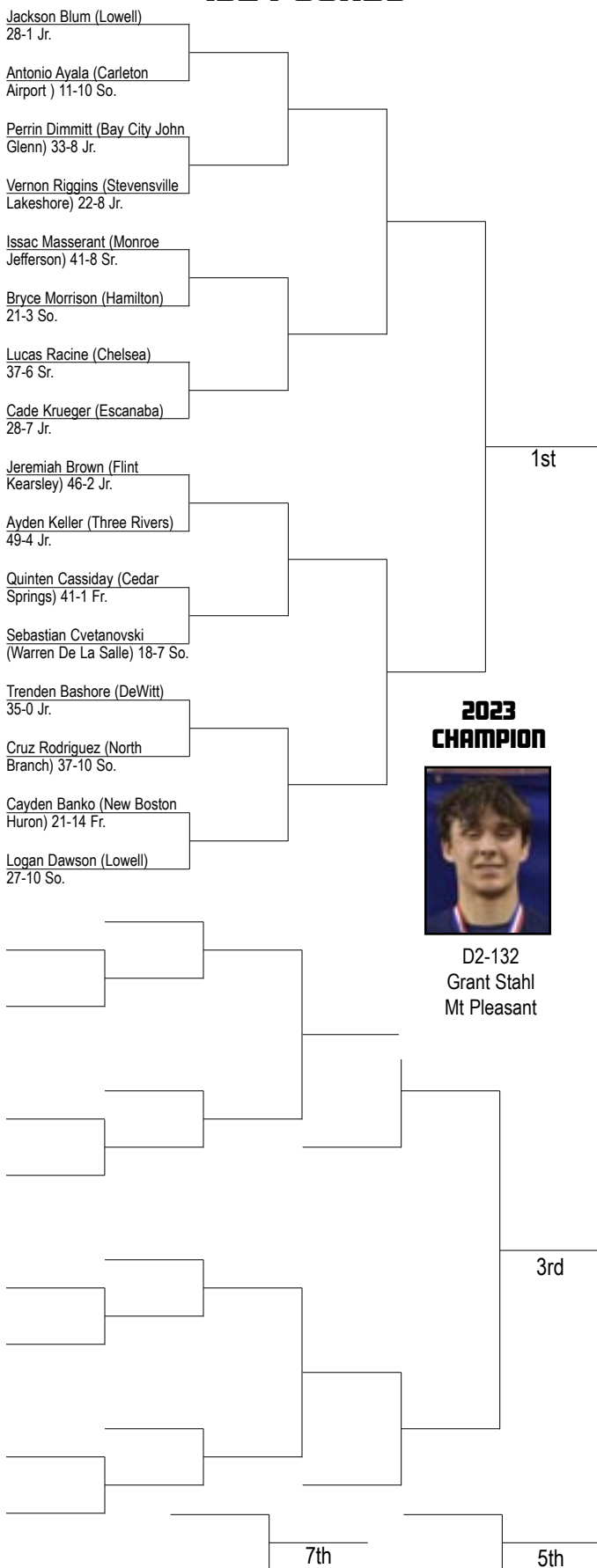
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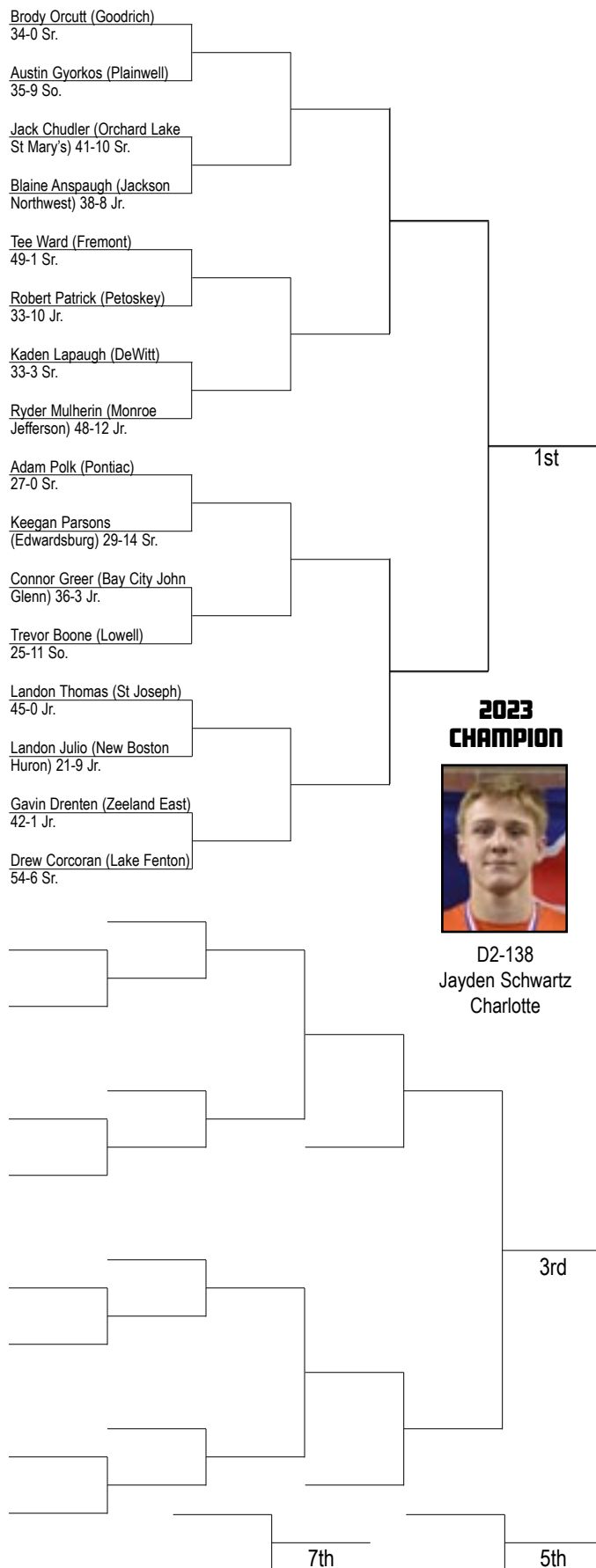


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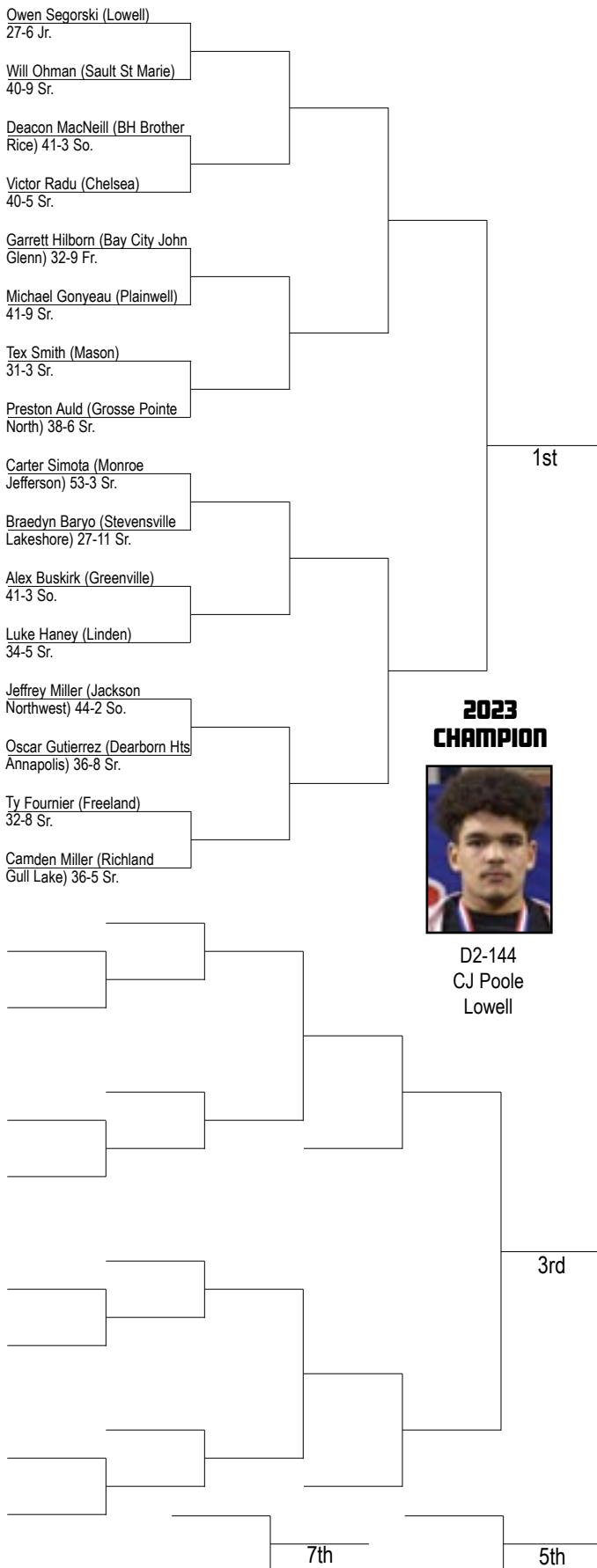


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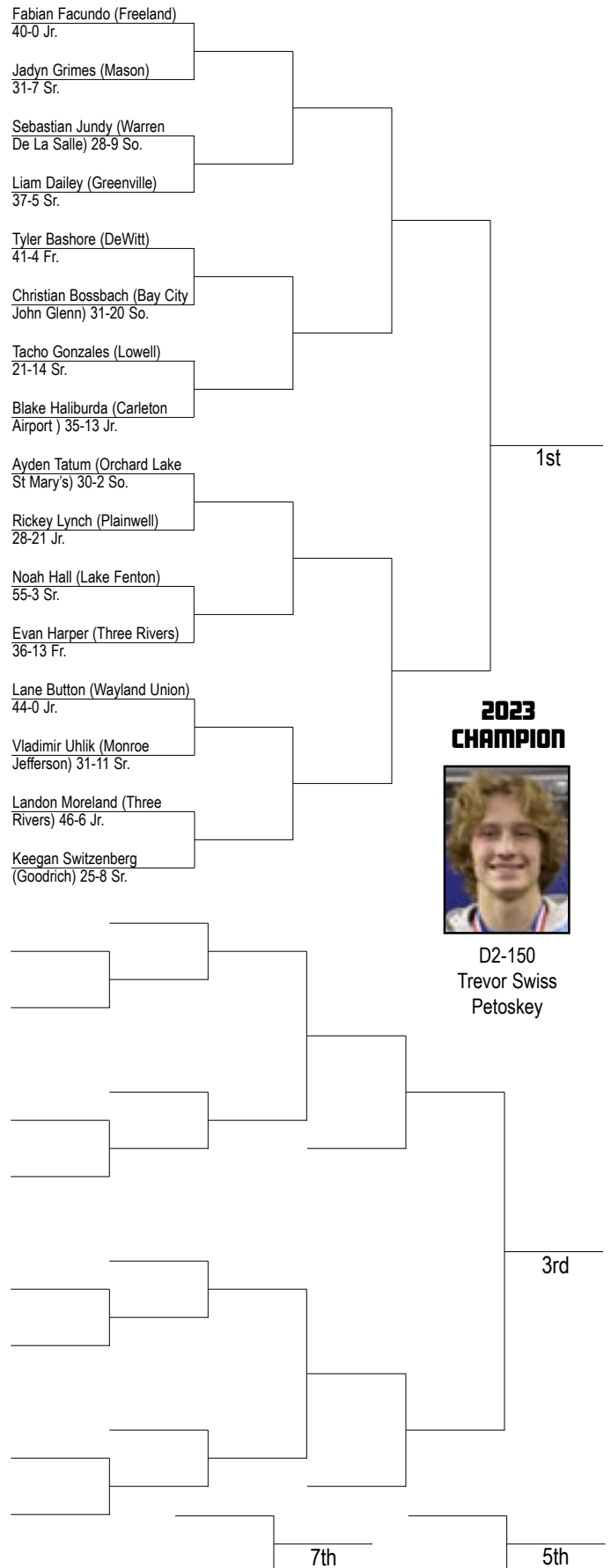


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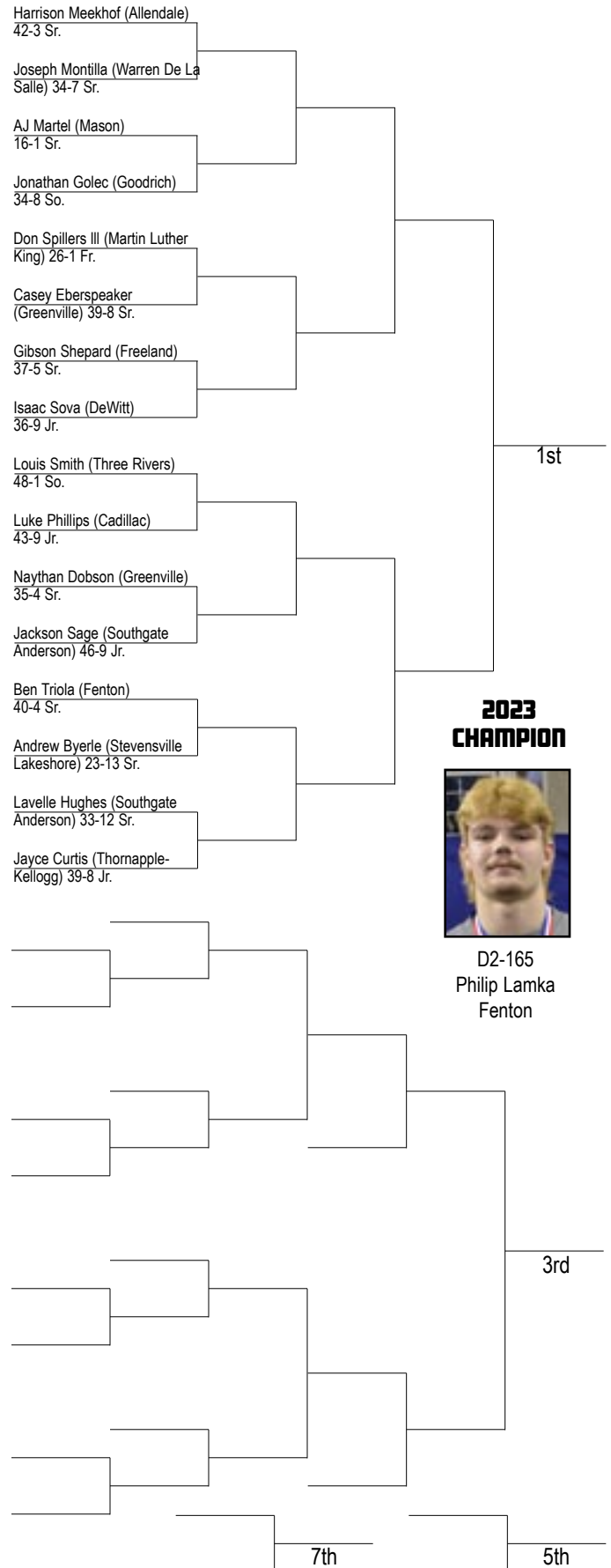


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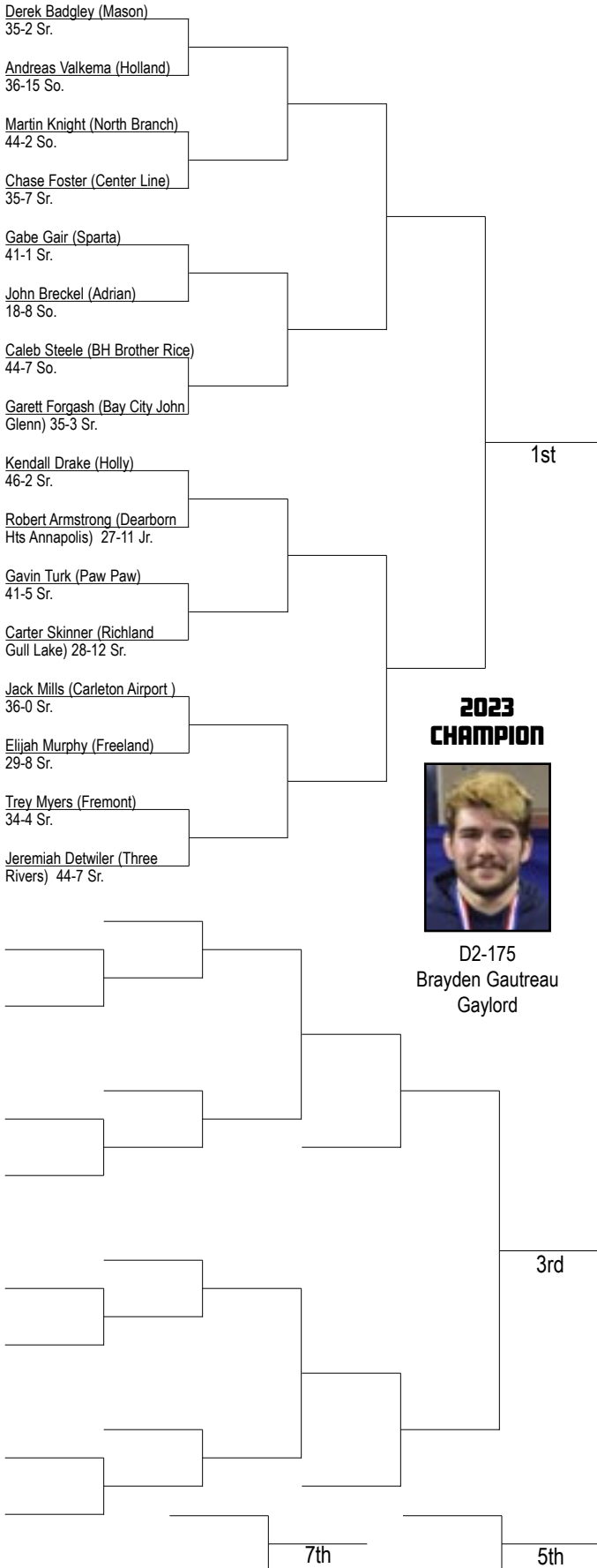


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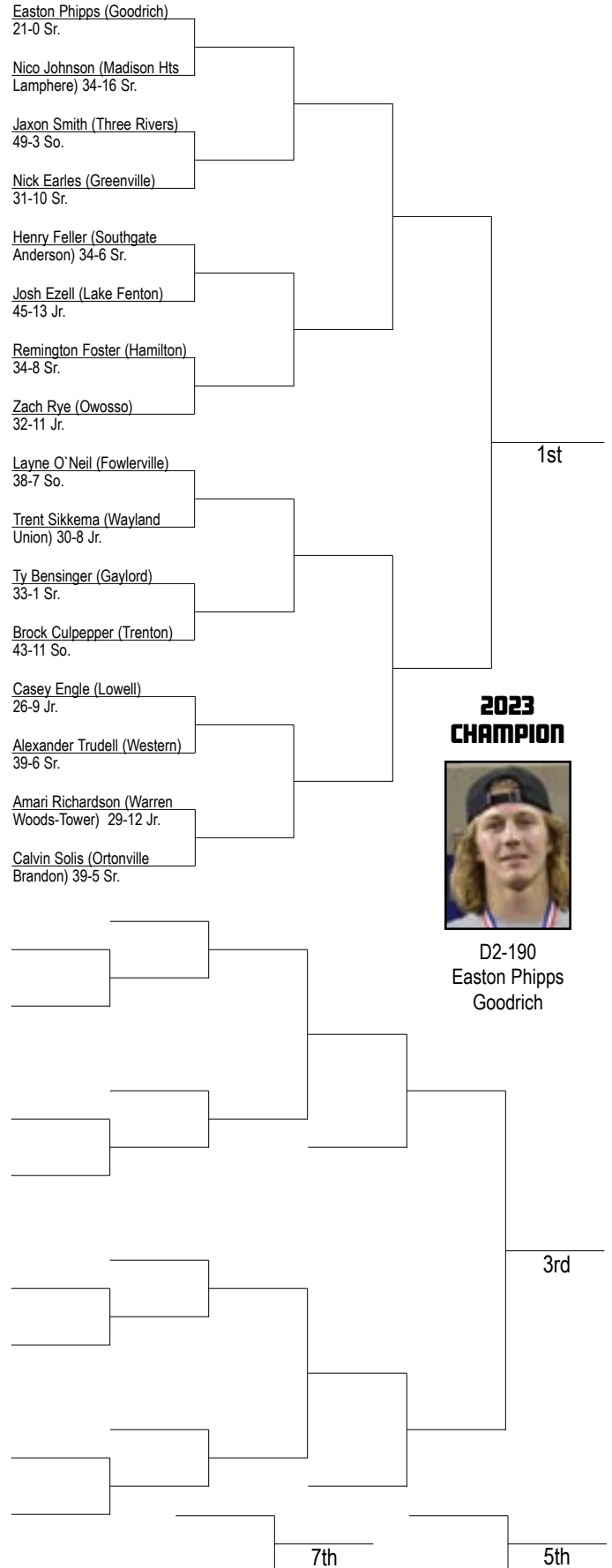


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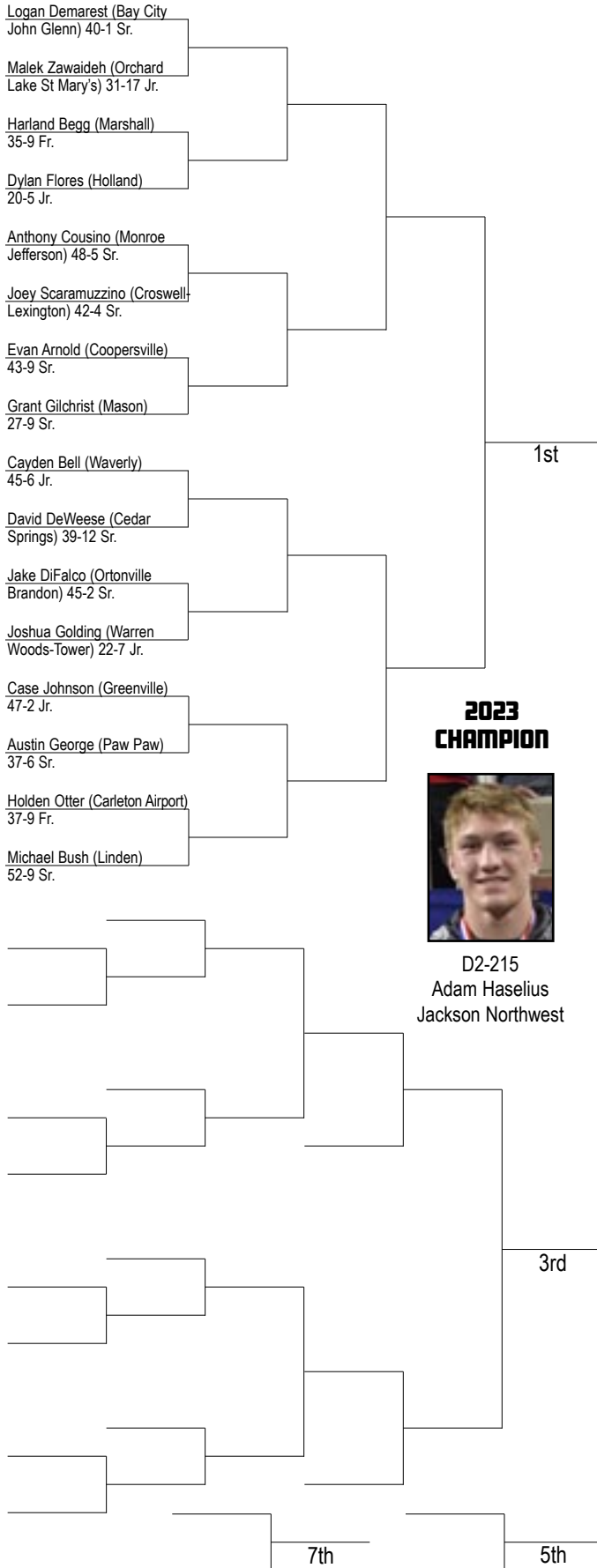


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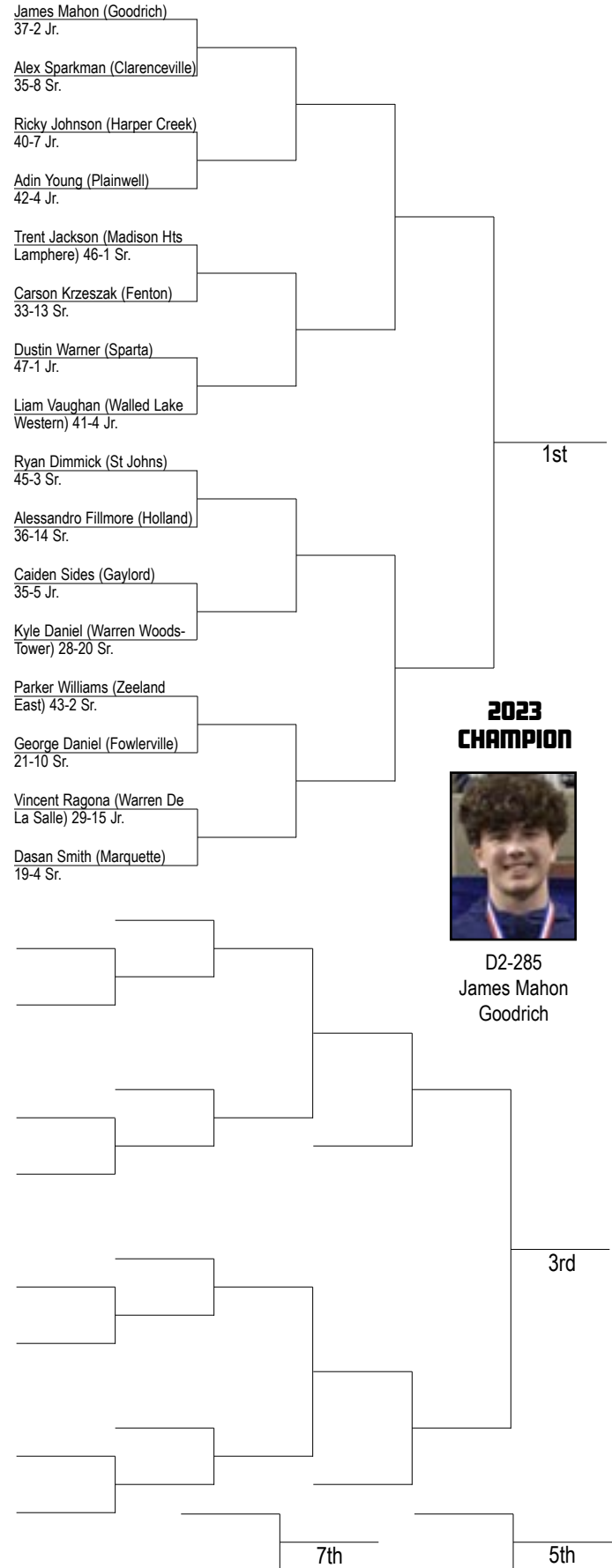


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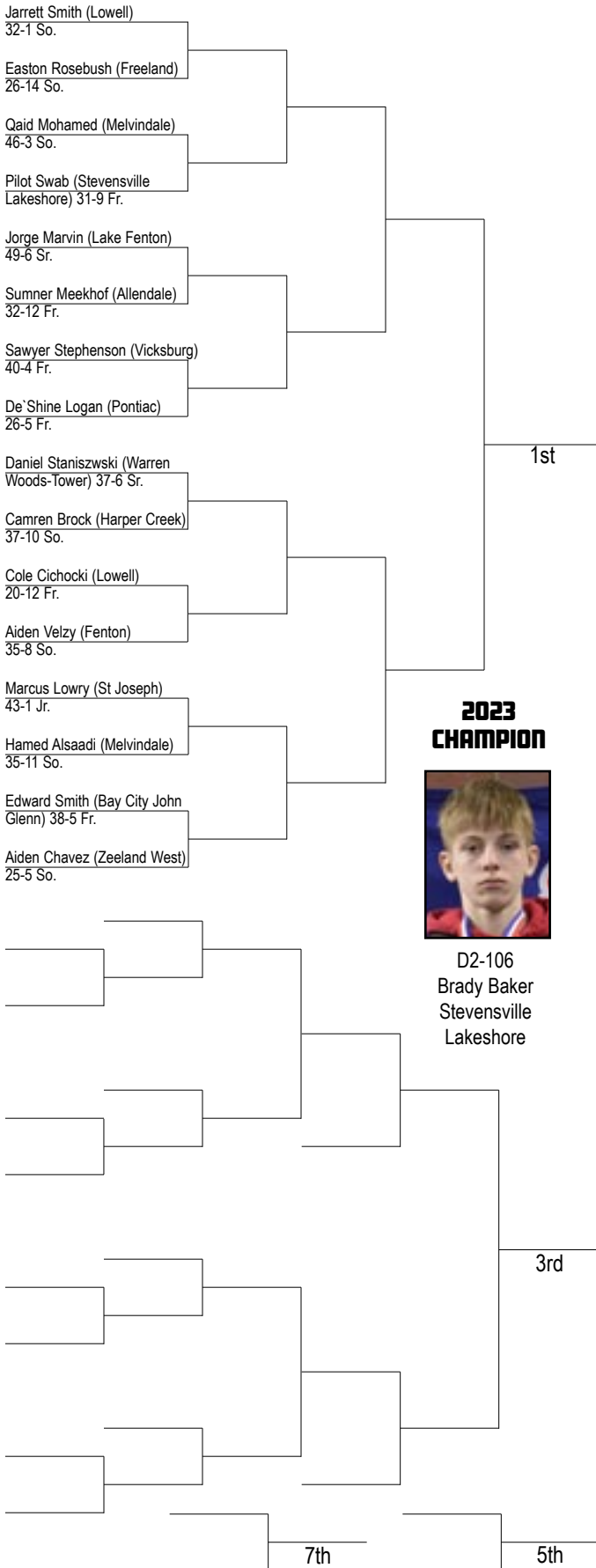


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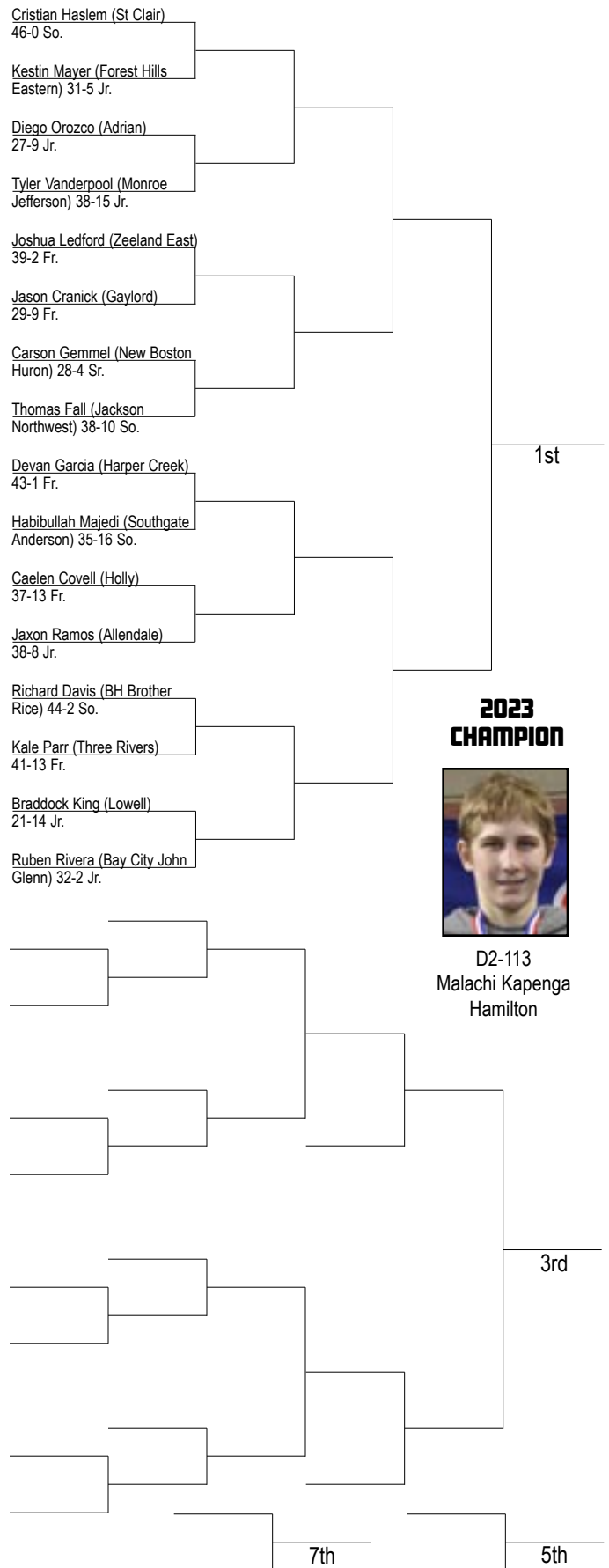


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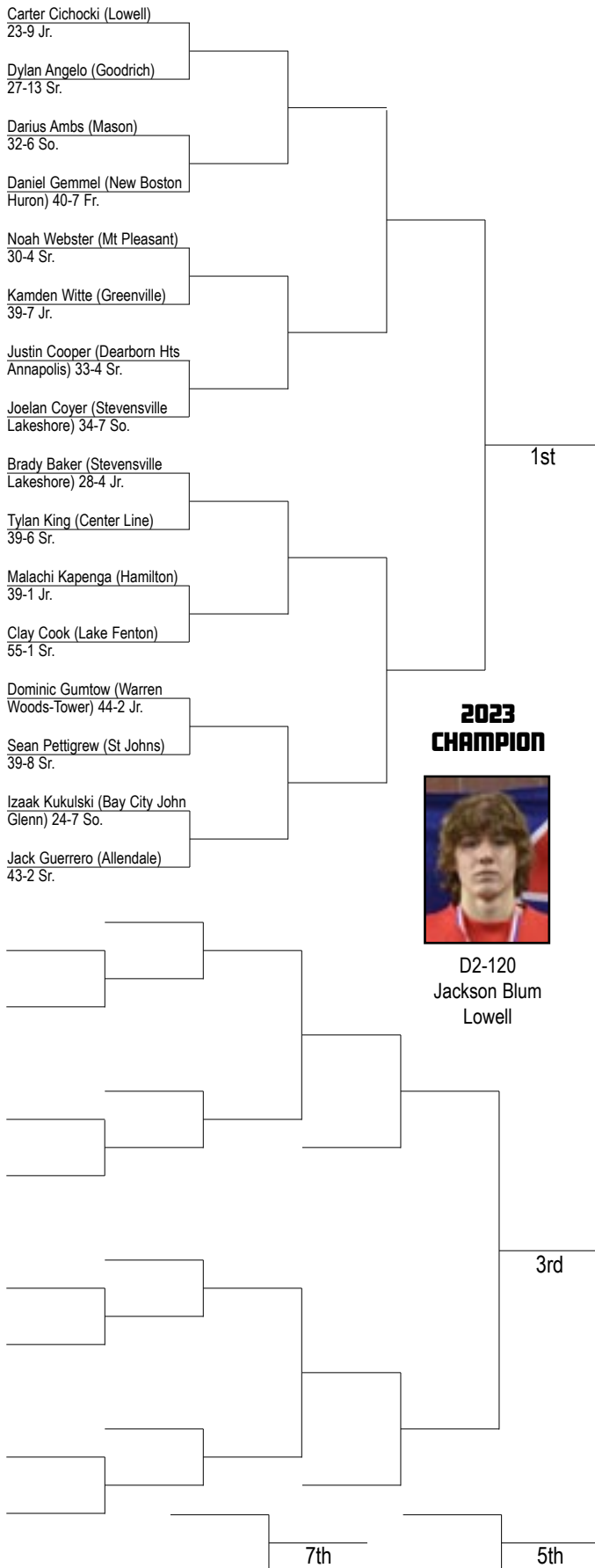


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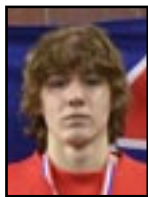


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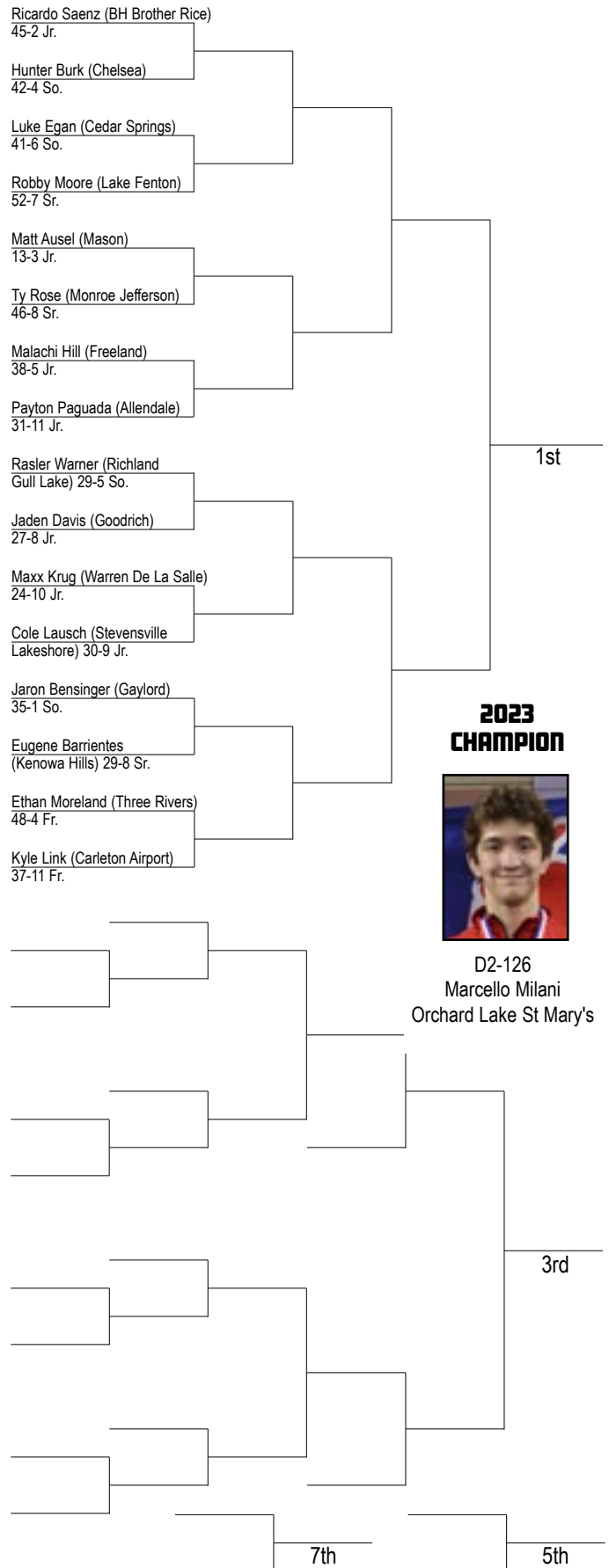


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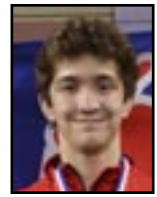


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School Spirit is Defining Difference in HS Sports

As Education-based sports in our nation's schools are different than any other level of competition.

Youth leagues and club sports often require significant entry fees, and in many cases, the focus is on competitive success with little concern for skill development, team building or sportsmanship.

High-profile college sports have been disrupted by issues concerning media contracts, NIL and the transfer portal, with the environment a bit like the "Wild West" on campuses throughout the country.

Professional sports, of course, are about the most elite performance, entertainment and winning championships.

Sports in our nation's 19,800-plus high schools instead are much more focused on education, relationships, team unity, having fun and school spirit.

School spirit is perhaps the defining difference between interscholastic and other levels of sports – having pride in one's school, maintaining a connection to the school and coaches for life, supporting all school teams and programs whether a participant or a fan, and contributing to the bond between school and community.

On an individual basis, pride is a key component of school spirit. Students who become involved in sports take pride in their teams and school and tend to carry that pride to their future careers after high school.

High school sports have the potential to boost the spirit of communities as well. There are countless examples every year but one such community was the small town of Fertile, Minnesota, located about 270 miles northwest of Minneapolis. In 2021, Jude Olson, a junior on the Fertile-Beltrami High School nine-player football team, was killed in an accident, which shook the approximately 1,000 residents of Fertile.

Last year, however, the Fertile-Beltrami football team provided a positive boost to the town with an undefeated regular season and a first-ever trip to the Minnesota State High School League Nine-player State Football Championship at U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.

According to an article in the Grand Forks (North Dakota) Herald, many of the town's residents did not have the means to make the five-hour trek to the game. As a result, local businesses and farmers donated \$25,000 for five charter buses to make sure every fan who wanted to make the trip had a free ride to the game.

"It means a lot to the whole town," said Jodie Strem, the co-owner of Fertile Oil Company. "We want (the players) to look in the stands and see us and know we are there for them. We are coming down full force."

While the Fertile-Beltrami Falcons lost to LeRoy-Ostrander in the MSHSL Nine-player Championship, the players and the 274 fans who made the journey will remember much more than the outcome of the game.

This is school spirit at its core and why high school sports are different.

High school activity programs boost the spirit of individuals, teams and communities. Research indicated that in 2020 when these programs were shut down because of the pandemic, the mental health of students was drastically compromised.

In the post-pandemic world, there are fewer face-to-face meetings. High school activities have played a major role in bringing people back together. We know that when schools have strong school spirit, communities respond with support and increased attendance.

School spirit and sportsmanship go hand in hand. If school spirit is channeled in a positive way, and expectations for good sportsmanship are communicated and enforced by school administrators, positive fan experiences will occur.

A survey several years ago by Varsity Brands concluded that high school students with school spirit performed better academically, were more engaged in social and civic matters, and were happier in general than their less-spirited peers.

The survey indicated that the benefits of school spirit are not just confined to the school years. The study suggested that school spirit can have lasting effects, including higher aspirations for continuing education and greater success in later life.

We are pleased to report that Varsity has commissioned a new research study, which will examine the post-pandemic educational landscape and attempt to understand how the return to in-person schooling has influenced school spirit and its profound impact on student learning, leadership and personal growth. We look forward to sharing the results of this survey down the road.

As the calendar turns to 2024, it is a great opportunity to renew commitments to these programs that involve more than 12 million participants in sports and performing arts – programs that foster and celebrate school spirit.



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— Karissa Niehoff, NFHS Executive Director



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Scholar-Athlete Class of 2024

The Michigan High School Athletic Association/Farm Bureau Insurance Scholar-Athlete Award has been recognizing the top student-athletes for 35 years. Applicants for the Scholar-Athlete Award must meet the following criteria: A minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale; and must have previously won a varsity letter. Applicants also show involvement in other school and community activities; submit two letters of recommendation and a 500-word essay on the importance of sportsmanship in educational athletics.

Recipients of the 2023-24 Scholar-Athlete Award receive a \$2,000 college scholarship to be used at the college, university, or trade school of their choice during the 2024-25 school year. This year, a total of 1,607 applications from 445 schools were received for the 32 scholarships. Class A students were guaranteed 12 winners, Class B eight winners, Class C six winners and Class D four winners. Two at-large winners were also selected.

All scholarship recipients will be honored during the MHSAA Boys Basketball Finals at the Breslin Center in East Lansing this March.



Bella Adams
Battle Creek
Lakeview
Class A



Navya Ashok
Ann Arbor
Greenhills
Class B



Ollie Brown
Williamston
Class B



Sara Dammann
New Lothrop
Class C



Willem DeGood
Traverse City West
Class A



Jackson Dell
Chelsea
Class B



Isabella DeWildt
Sault Ste Marie
Class B



Ridley Fast
Hillsdale Academy
Class D



Gwenyth L. Geiger
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Elaine Gordon
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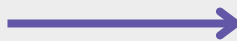
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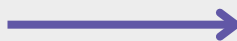
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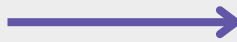
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Student Advisory Council Aids MHSAA

Eight student-athletes who will be juniors at their schools during the 2023-24 academic year have been selected to serve two-year terms on the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Student Advisory Council.

The Student Advisory Council is a 16-member group which provides feedback on issues impacting educational athletics from a student's perspective, and also is involved in the operation of Association championship events and other programming. Members of the Student Advisory Council serve for two years, beginning as juniors. Eight new members are selected annually to serve on the SAC, with nominations made by MHSAA member schools. The incoming juniors will join the group of eight seniors-to-be appointed a year ago.

Selected to begin serving on the Student Advisory Council in 2023-24 were: **Cale Bell**, Sault Ste. Marie; **Drew Cady**, Oxford; **Macy Jenkins**, Milford; **Isaiah Kabban**, Harbor Beach; **Ella Knudsen**, Leland; **Kaylee Kranz**, Clinton; **Joey Spada**, Kalamazoo Central; and **Anna Zoet**, Grandville Calvin Christian.

Those eight new members were selected from 105 applicants. That number of applicants was the fourth-most ever, with the last four years featuring the four highest totals.

The first Student Advisory Council was formed for the 2006-07 school year. With the addition of this class, members will have represented 137 schools from 50 leagues plus independent schools that do not play in a league. Combined, the new appointees have participated in 16 MHSAA sports, and all eight will be the first SAC members from their respective schools.

The Student Advisory Council generally meets seven times each school year, and once more for a 24-hour leadership camp. In addition to assisting in the promotion of the educational value of interscholastic athletics, the Council dis-



2023-24 Student Advisory Council

First Row: Macy Jenkins, Milford; Ella Knudsen, Leland; M'Khi Guy, Muskegon; Isaiah Kabban, Harbor Beach; DaNia Womack, Dearborn Advanced Tech Academy. **Second Row:** Madie Werner, Bay City All Saints; Anna Zoet, Grandville Calvin Christian; Christian Sanders, Detroit Renaissance; Kaylee Kranz, Clinton; Cale Bell, Sault Ste Marie; Drew Cady, Oxford; Dawsen Lehew, Marcellus; Ben Sytsma, Grand Rapids Christian; Kannon Duffing, Manchester; Claire Gorno, Gaylord; Joey Spada, Kalamazoo Central.

Student Advisory Council Belief Statement

As the voice of Michigan's student-athletes, the Student Advisory Council's role is to convey the message of how high school sports are supposed to be played. We are responsible for helping the MHSAA maintain a positive and healthy atmosphere in which interscholastic athletes can thrive.

*We believe **athletes** should be competitive, sportsmanlike and excel academically. We believe **students** in the stands should have fun, but not take the focus away from the game. We believe **coaches** should act as teachers, helping student-athletes develop while still keeping high school sports in perspective. We believe that **parents** should always be positive role models and be supportive of their child's decisions. We believe **officials** commit their own time to high school sports and respect should always be shown and given to them.*

The most important goal for student-athletes is to enjoy high school sports while keeping a high level of respect between all those involved in the games.

cusses issues dealing with the 4 S's of educational athletics: scholarship, sportsmanship, safety (including health and nutrition) and the sensible scope of athletic programs. There also is a fifth S discussed by the group – student leadership.

This school year, the Council will hand out championship trophies at Finals events, deliver a message about sportsmanship during Summits, and provide feedback to the MHSAA Representative Council

on proposed rule changes.

The new additions to the SAC joined the Class of 2024 members who were selected a year ago: **Kannon Duffing**, Manchester; **Claire Gorno**, Gaylord; **M'Khi Guy**, Muskegon; **Dawsen Lehew**, Marcellus; **Christian Sanders**, Detroit Renaissance; **Ben Sytsma**, Grand Rapids Christian; **Madie Werner**, Bay City All Saints; and **DaNia Womack**, Dearborn Advanced Tech Academy.



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MHSAA Representative Council

The Representative Council of the Michigan High School Athletic Association is the body assembled to carry out the wishes of member schools. The Council meets several times annually to discuss and pass legislation concerning interscholastic athletics in Michigan.

The Representative Council is made up of 19 members, with all but five elected by a vote of MHSAA-member schools to represent different geographic regions, different sizes of schools, non-public schools, and junior and middle schools. Two members are elected to statewide at-large positions. Four members are appointed by the Council to facilitate representation of females and minorities, and the 19th position is occupied by the Superintendent of Public Instruction or his/her designee.

The officers and two other representatives form the MHSAA's Executive Committee, which meets on a monthly basis during the school year to review eligibility appeals and other current business.



First Row (L to R): First Row: Mark Uyl, Vic Michaels, John Thompson, Scott Grimes. **Second Row:** Chris Miller, Meg Seng, Kris Isom, Alex Tiseo. **Third Row:** Fred Smith, Chris Adams, Judy Cox, Jeff Kline, Anna Rigby. **Fourth Row:** Adam Stefanski, Jason Malloy, Jay Alexander, Eric Albright, Sean Jacques. **Not Pictured:** Chris Riker, Ross Fort. *Photo taken May 2023*

Representative Council Members

Chris Adams*
Superintendent
Camden-Frontier High School
Class C-D — Southeastern Michigan

Jeff Kline*
Athletic Director
Mt. Morris High School
Statewide At-Large

Adam Stefanski*
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Boyne City High School
Junior High/Middle Schools

Eric Albright**
Athletic Director
Midland High School
Class A-B — Northern Lower Peninsula

Jason Malloy**
Athletic Director
Westland John Glenn High School
Appointee

Dr. Arnetta Thompson*
Superintendent
Godfrey-Lee Public Schools
Appointee

Jay Alexander*
Executive Director of Athletics
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Detroit Public Schools Position

Vic Michaels, Secretary-Treasurer**
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John Thompson, Vice President**
Athletic Director
Brighton High School
Class A-B — Southeastern Michigan

Judy Cox**
Principal
Auburn-Bay City Western High School
Appointee

Chris Miller*
Athletic Director/Director of Operations
Gobles High School
Class C-D — Southwestern Michigan

Jennifer Thunberg*
Principal
Freeland Middle School
Appointee

Ross Fort (ex-officio)
Special Assistant to Deputy Superintendent
for Finance and Operations
Michigan Dept. of Education, Lansing
Designee

Anna Rigby**
Athletic Director
Harbor Springs High School
Class C-D — Northern Michigan

Alex Tiseo*
Athletic Director
Marquette High School
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Scott Grimes, President**
Superintendent, Grand Haven Public Schools
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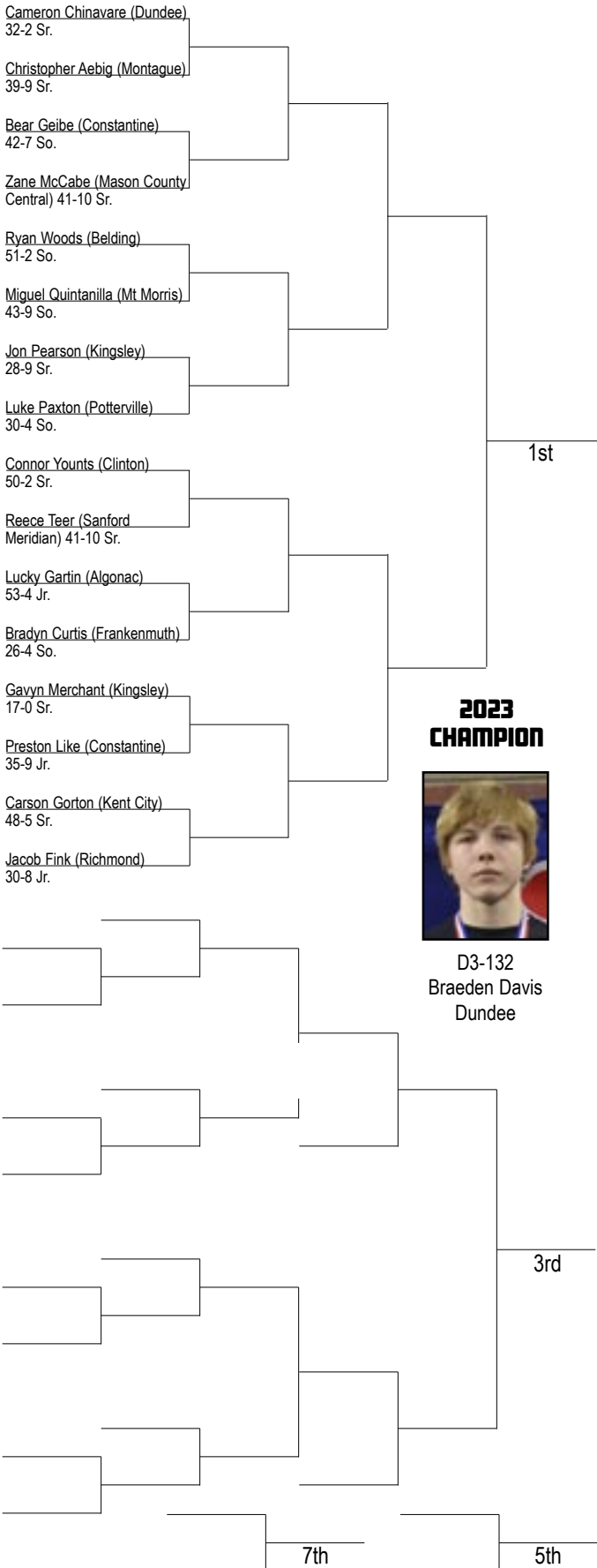
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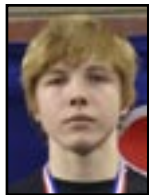
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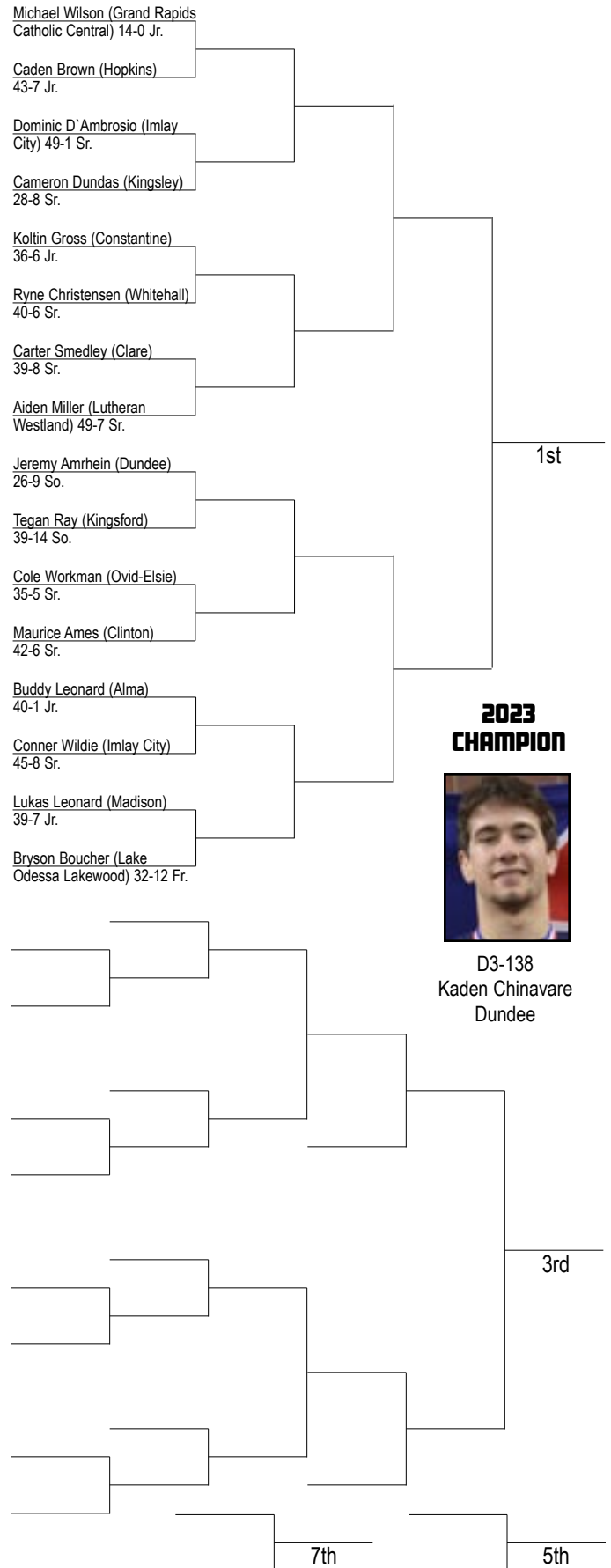


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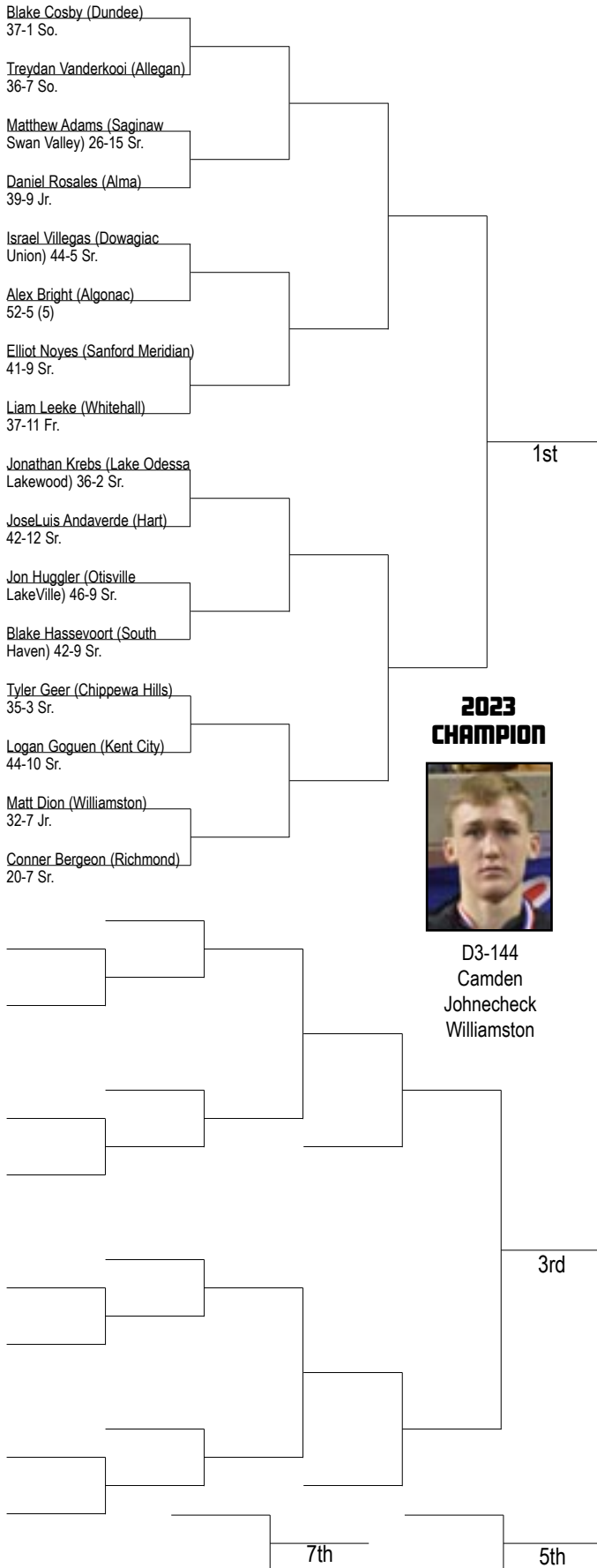
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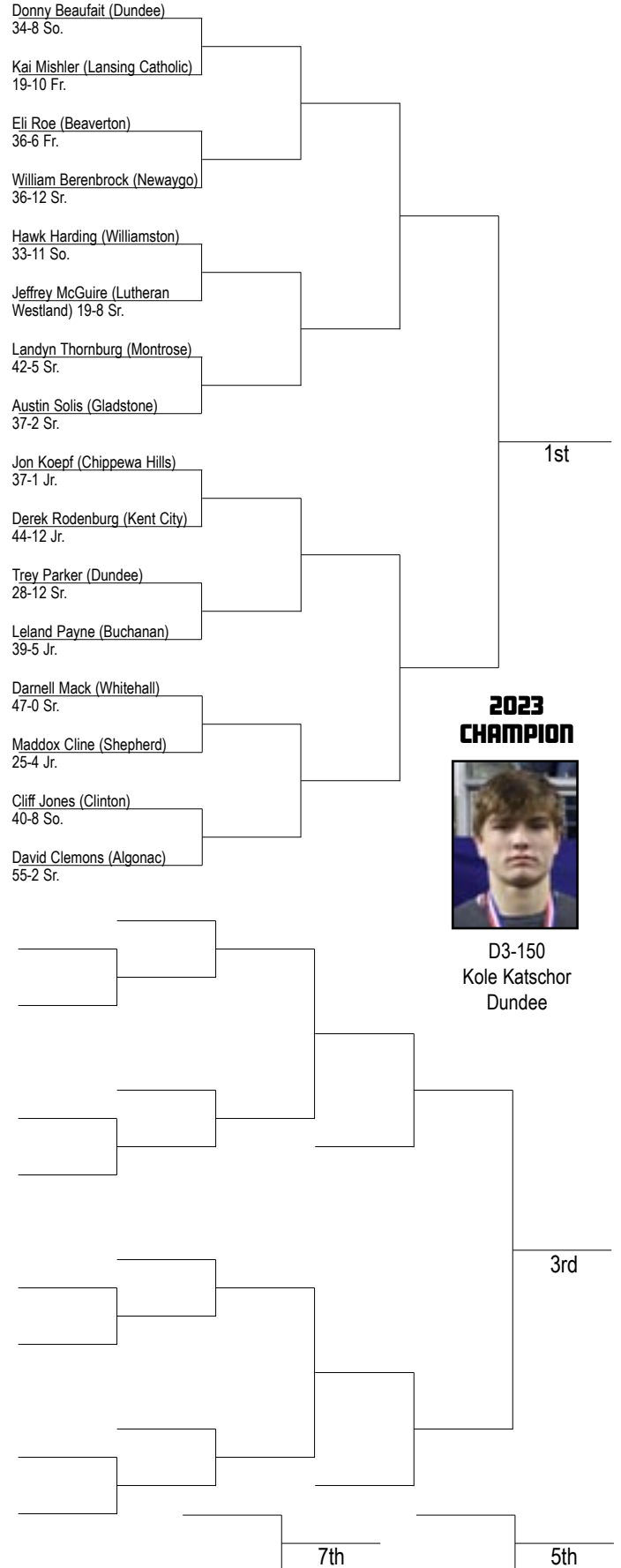
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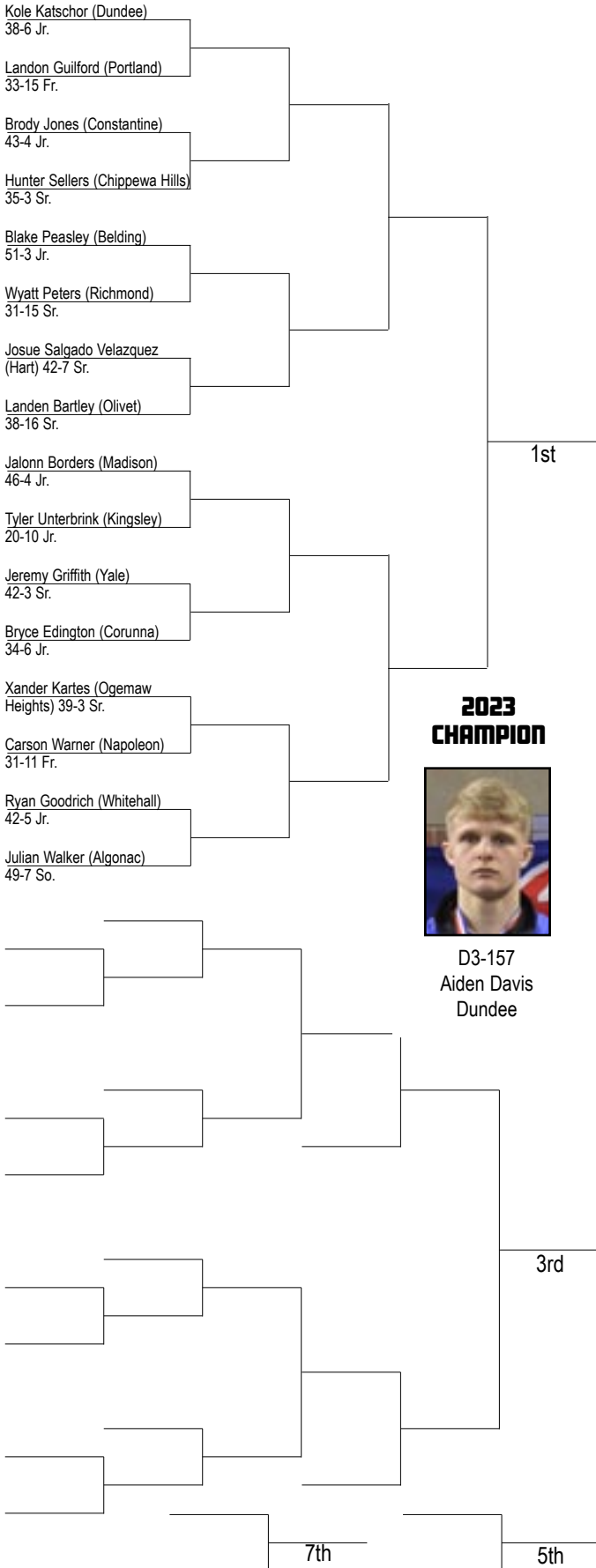


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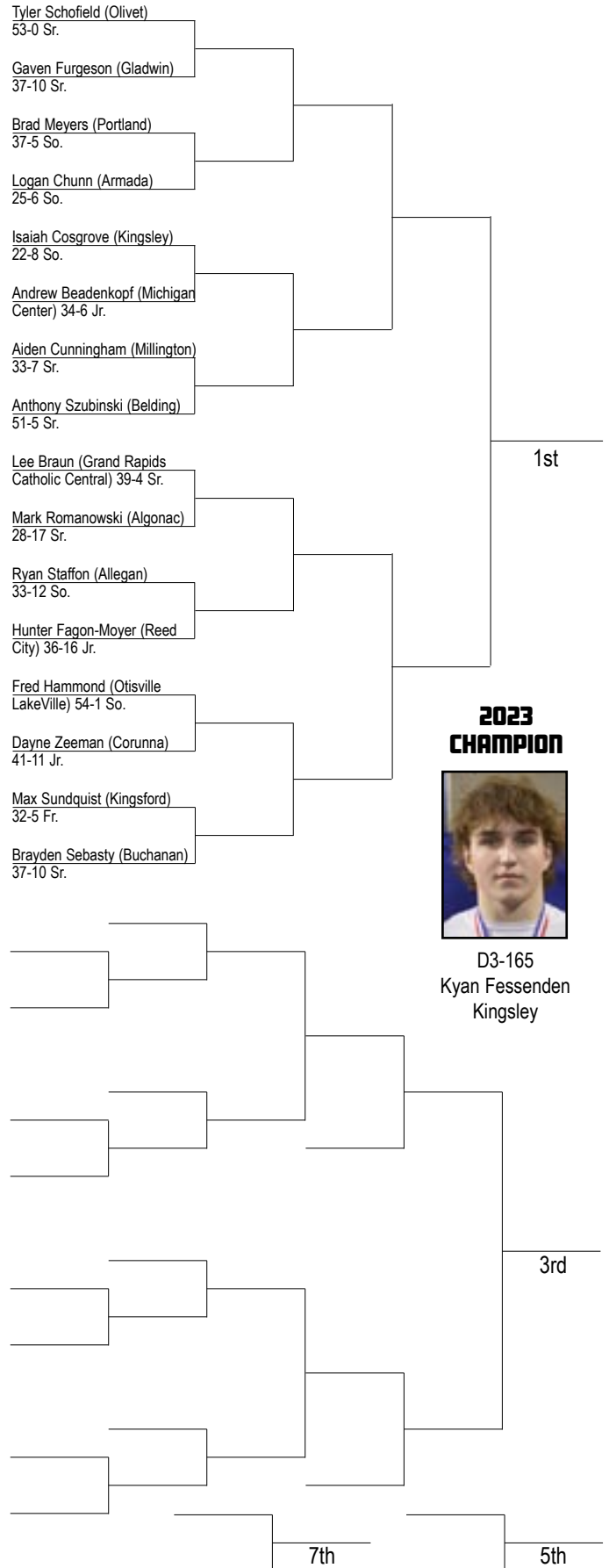


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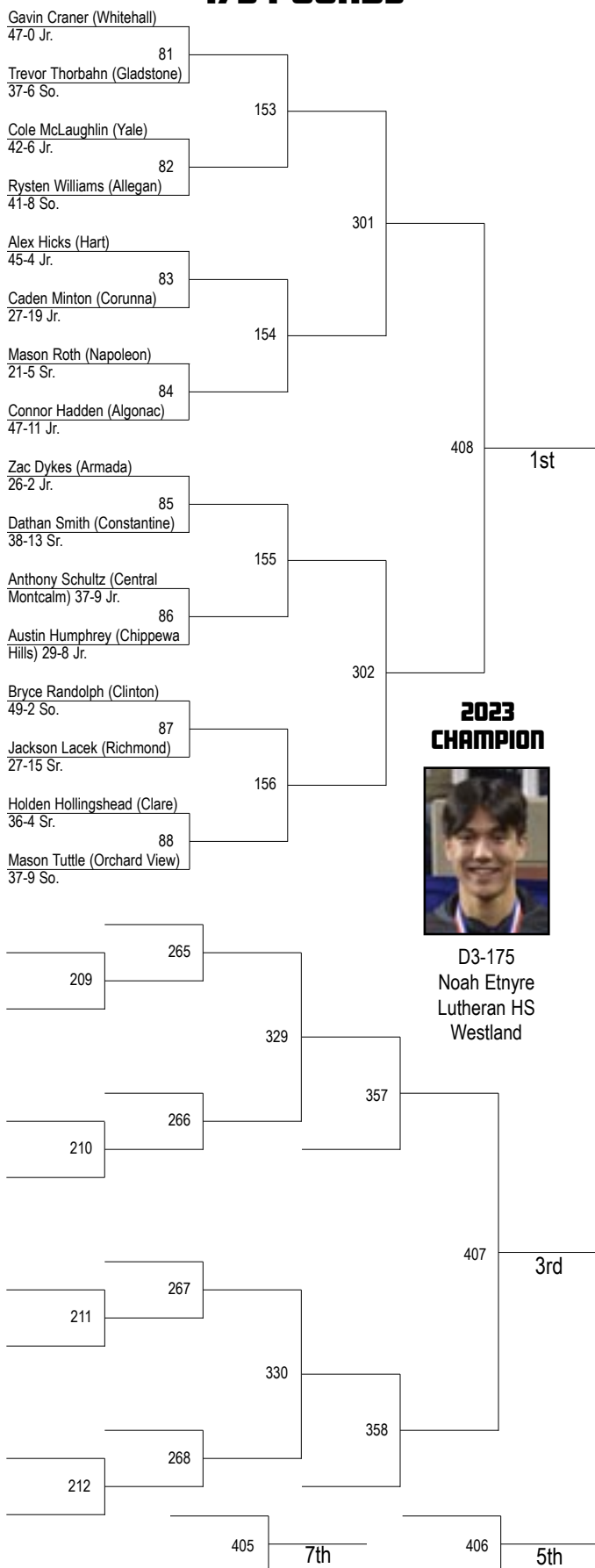


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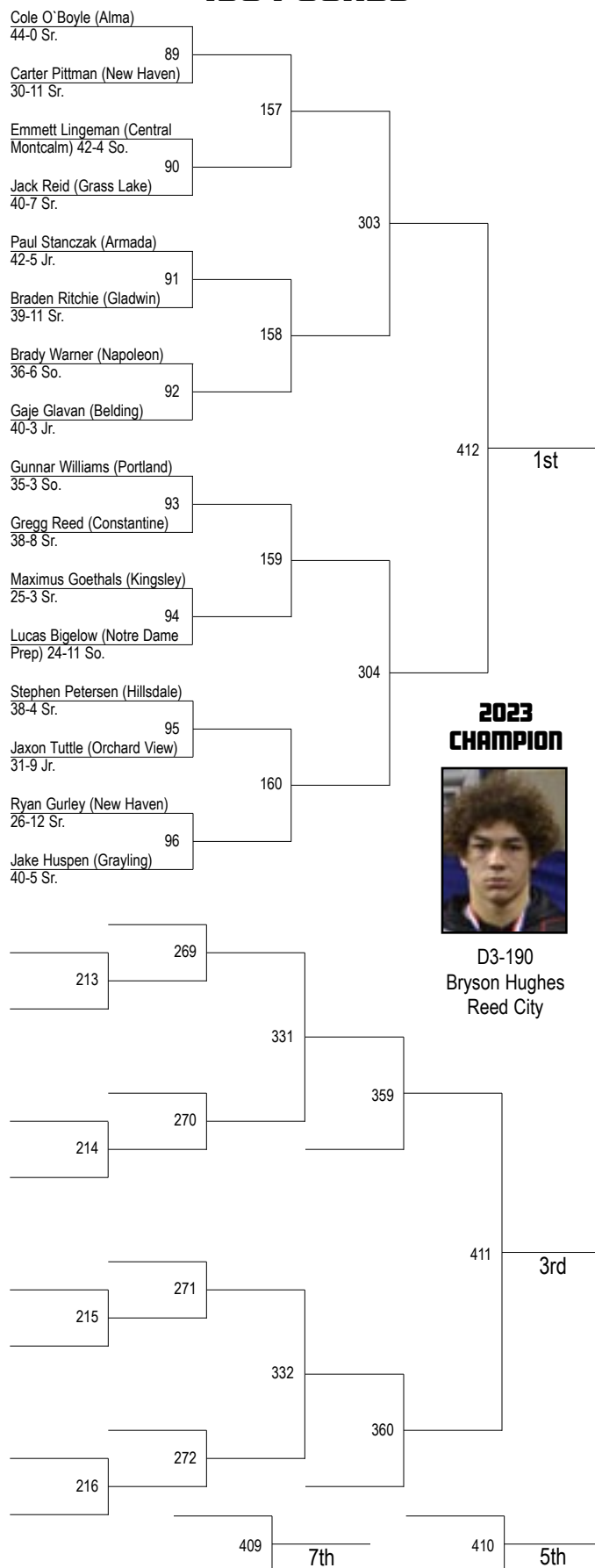


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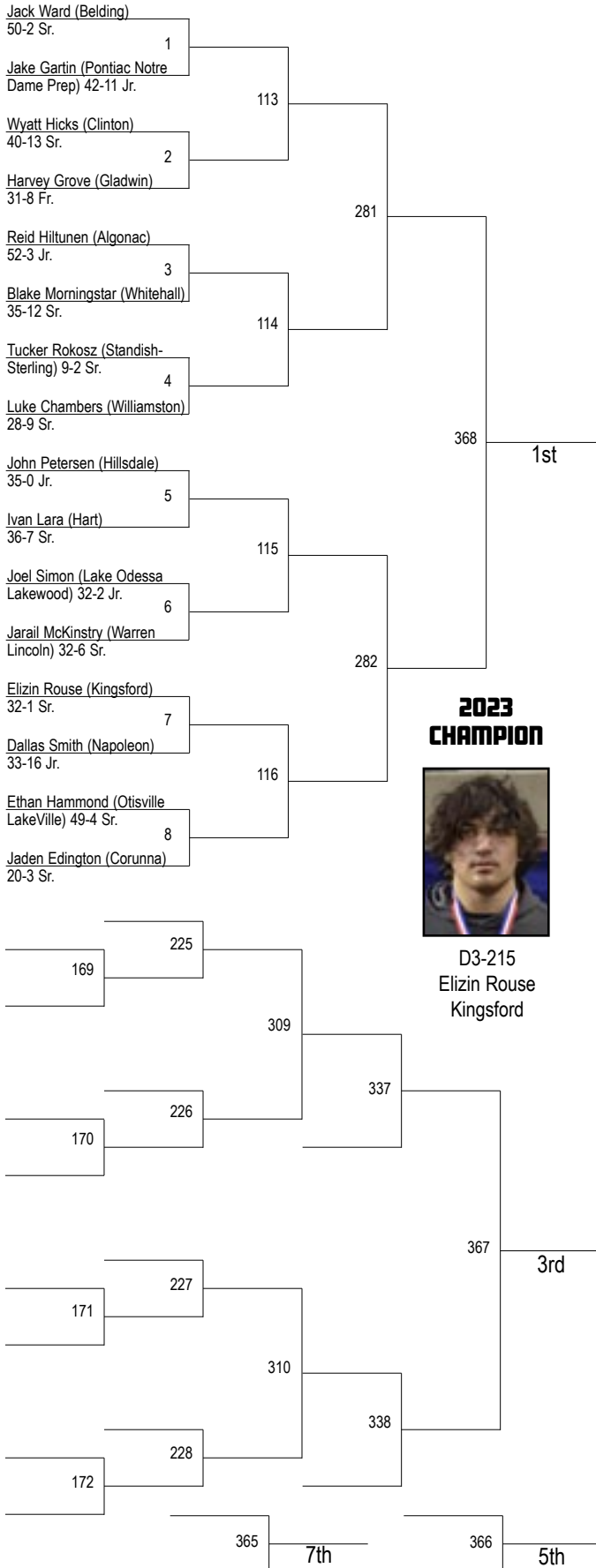


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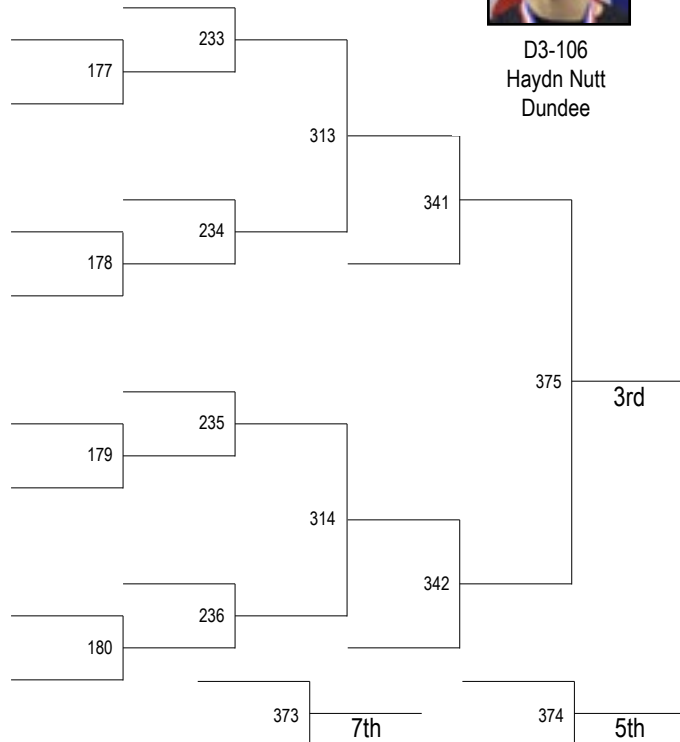
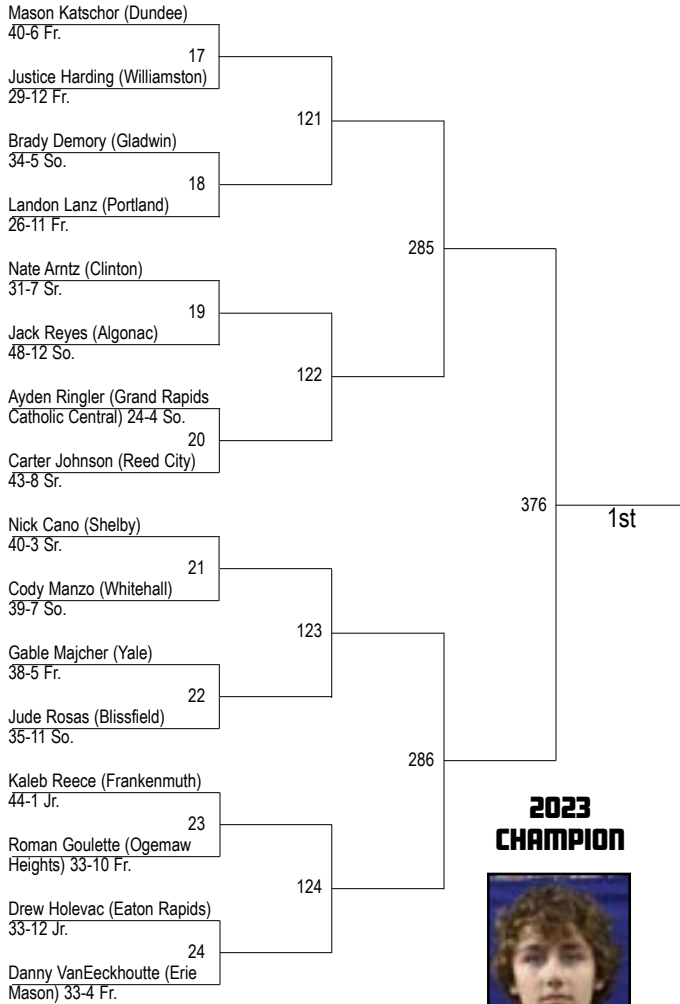


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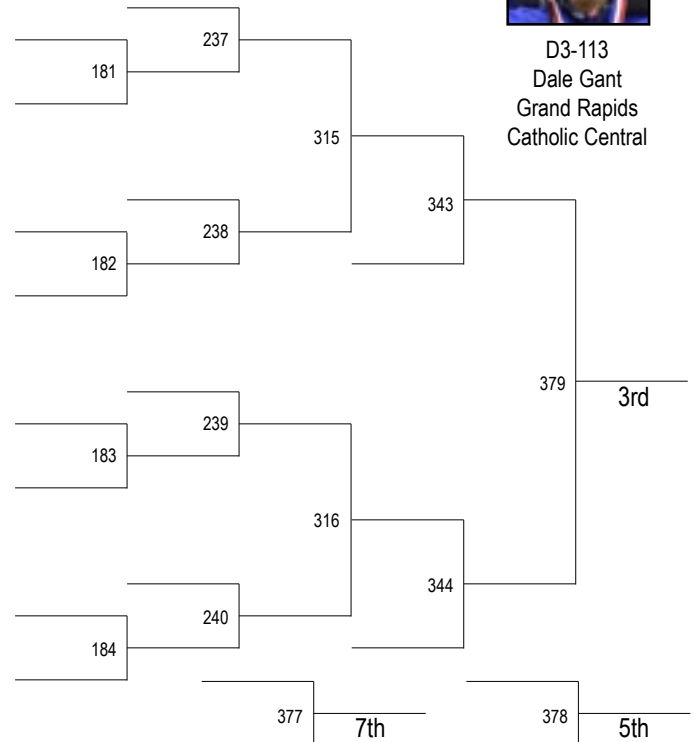
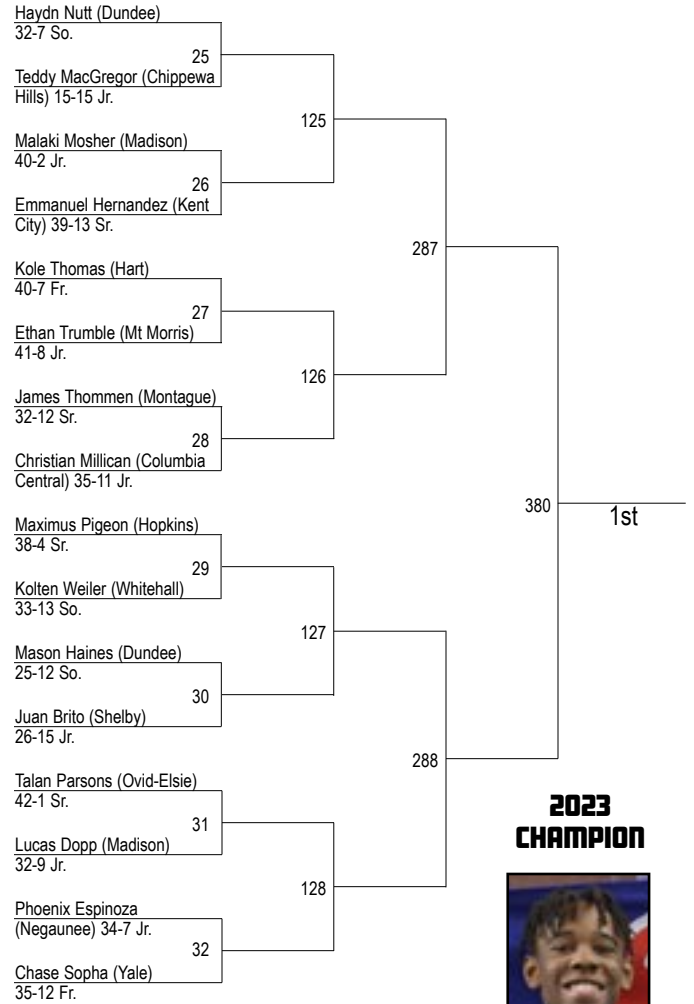


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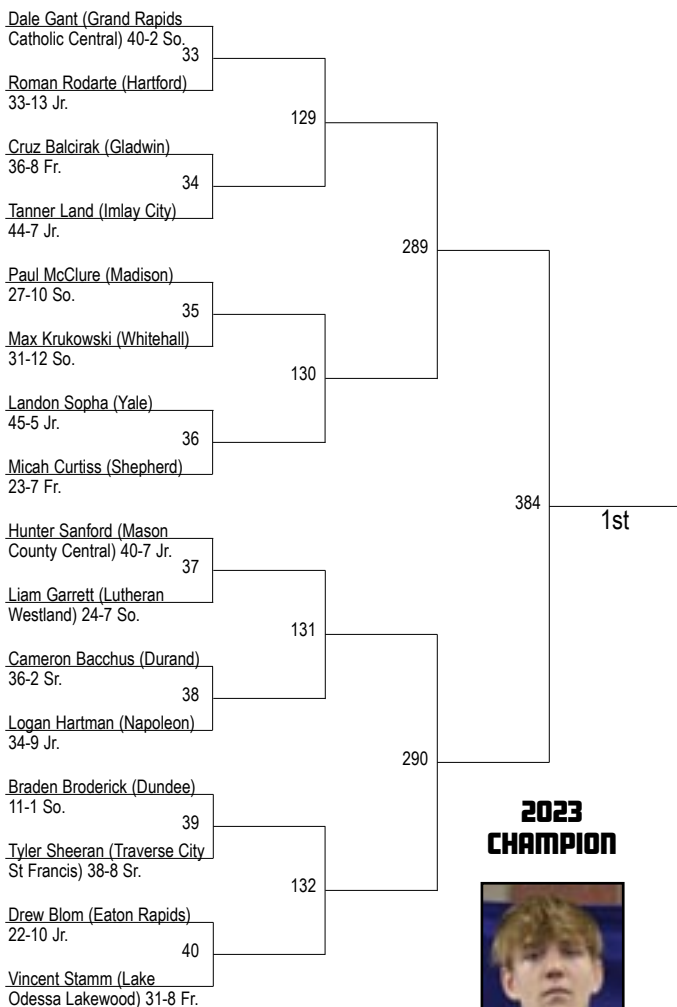


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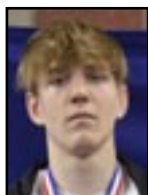


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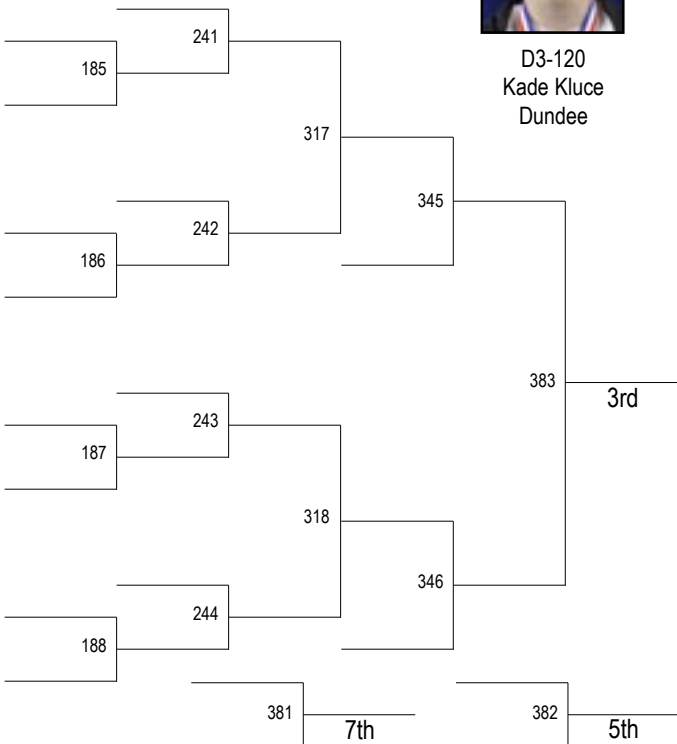
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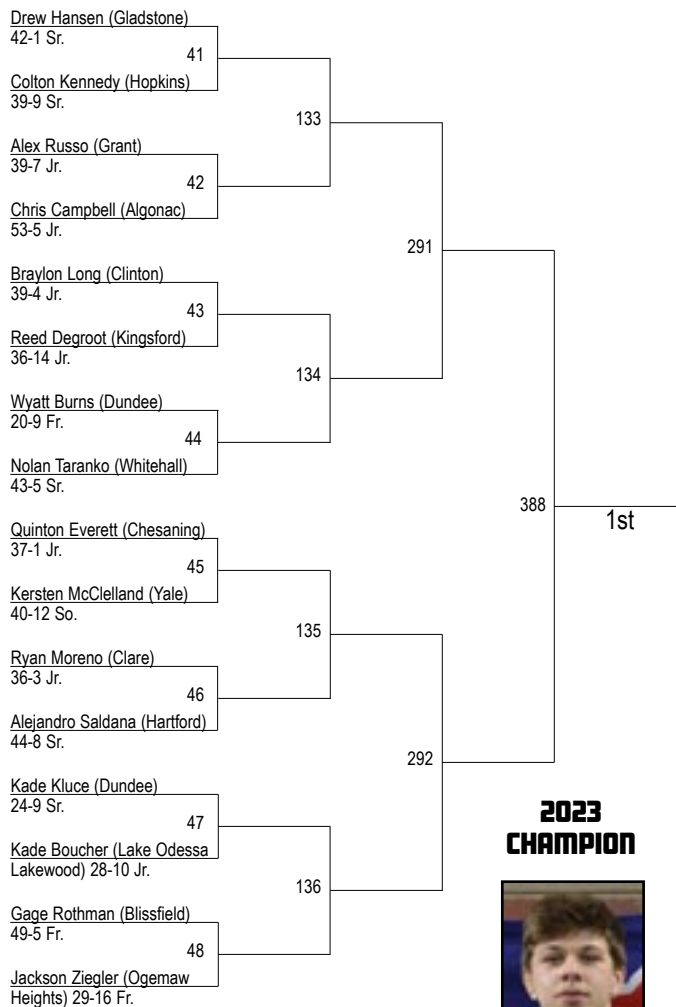
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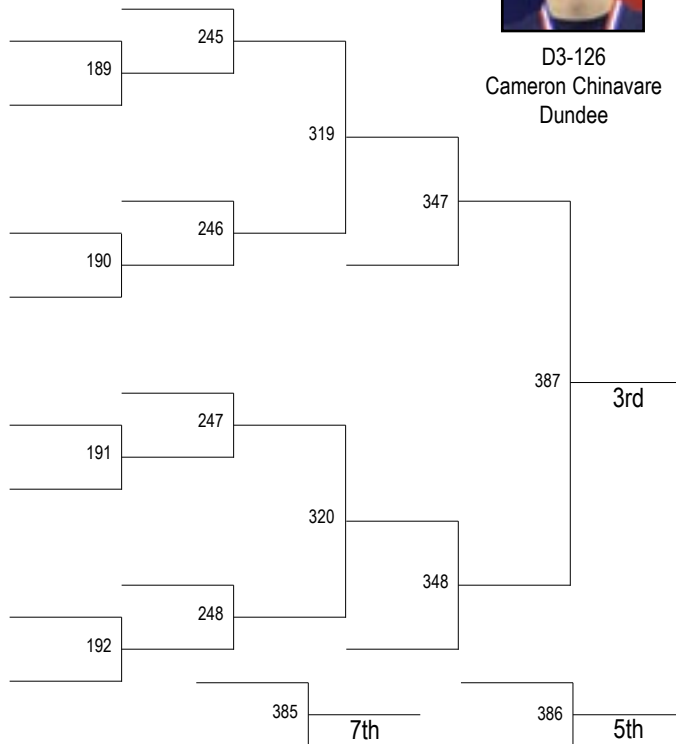
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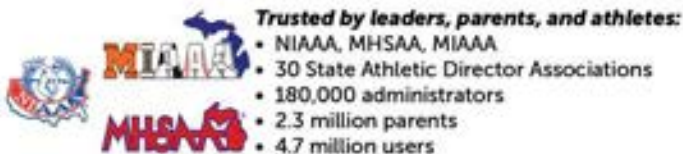
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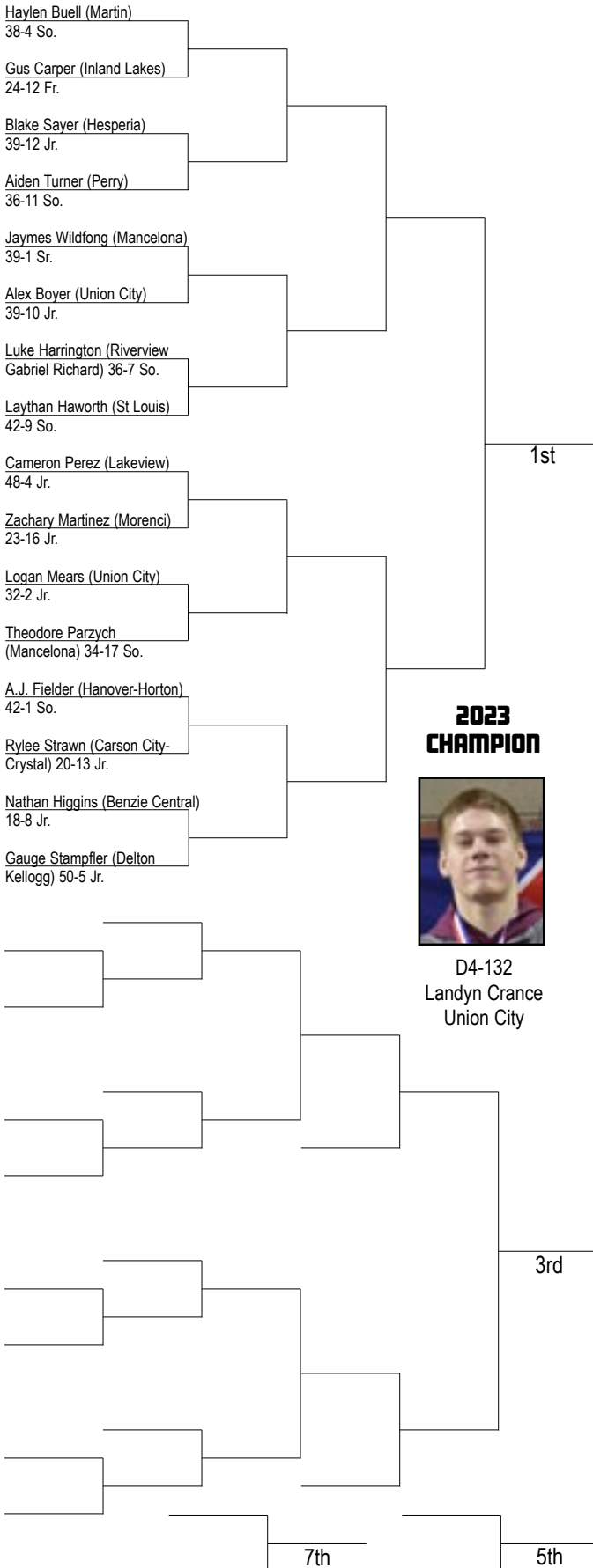
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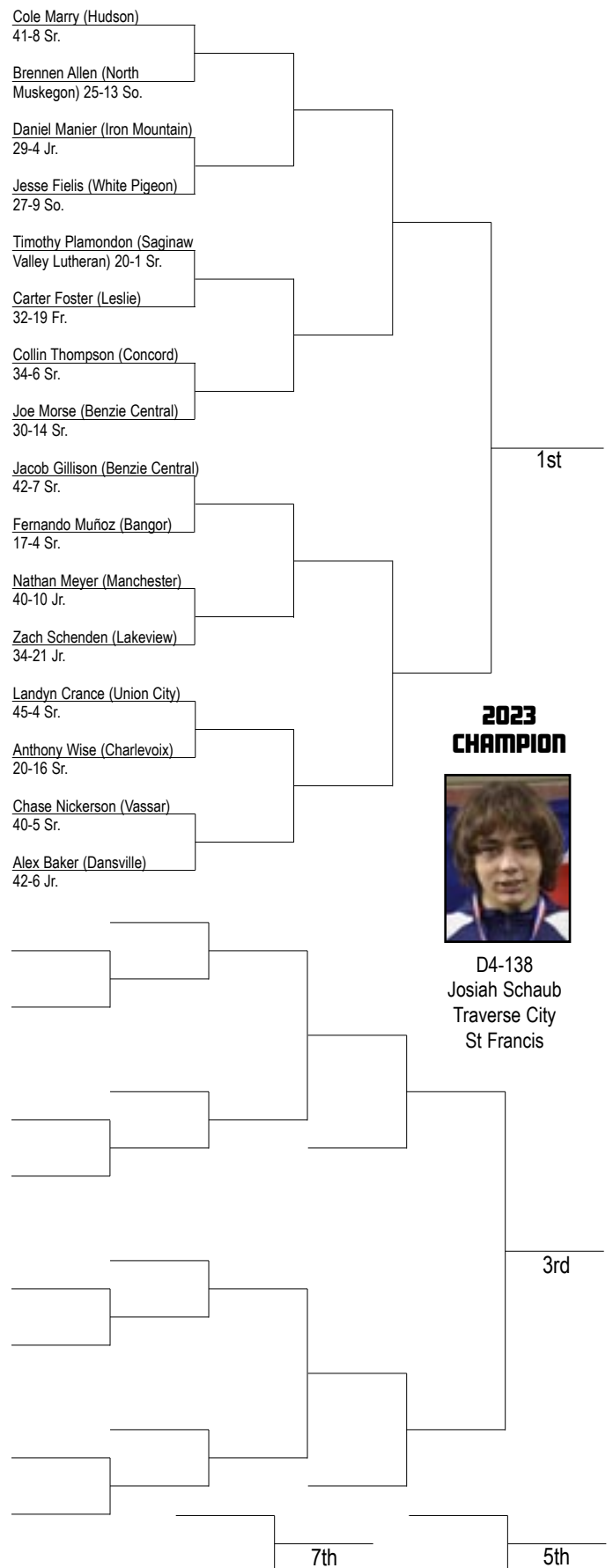
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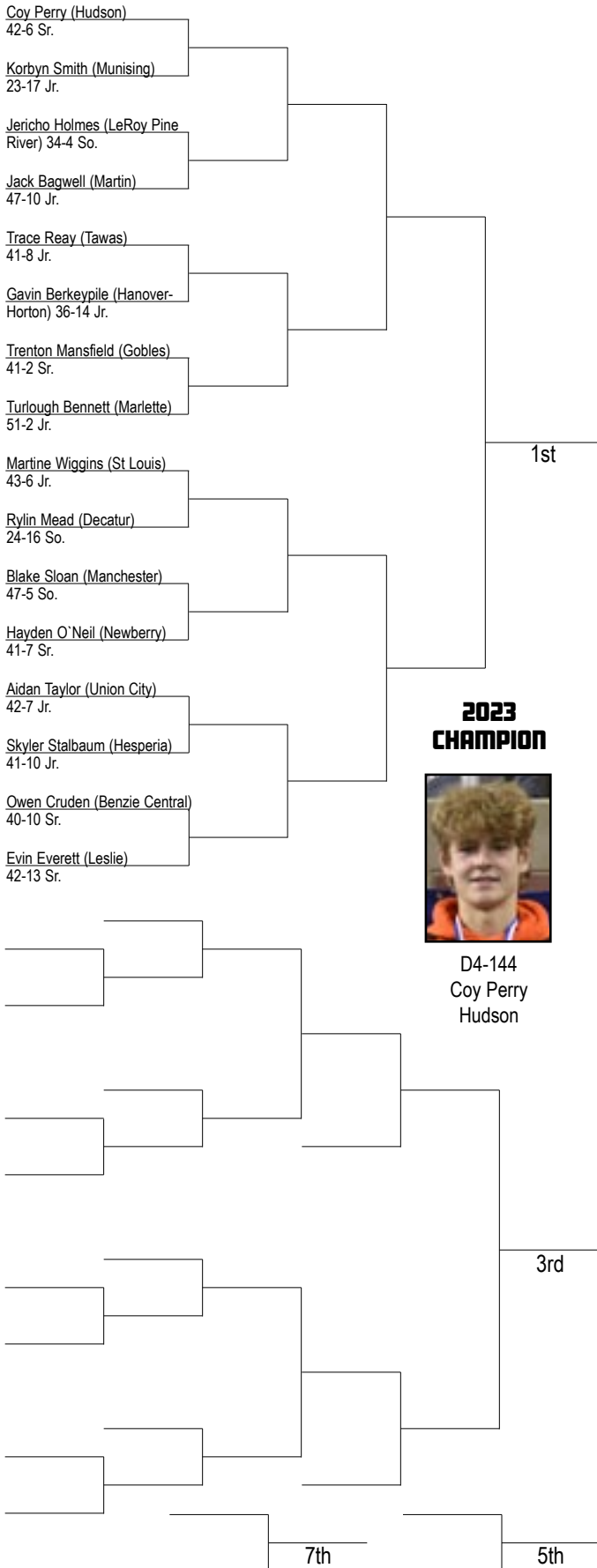


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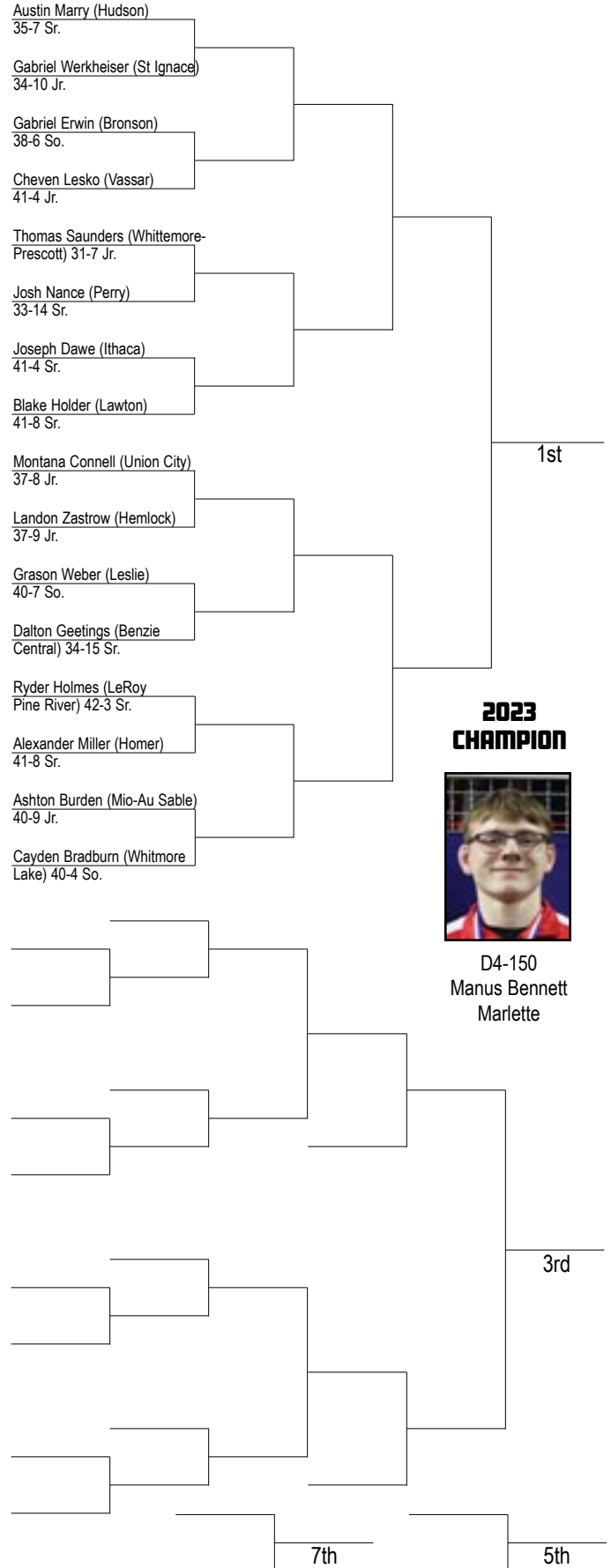


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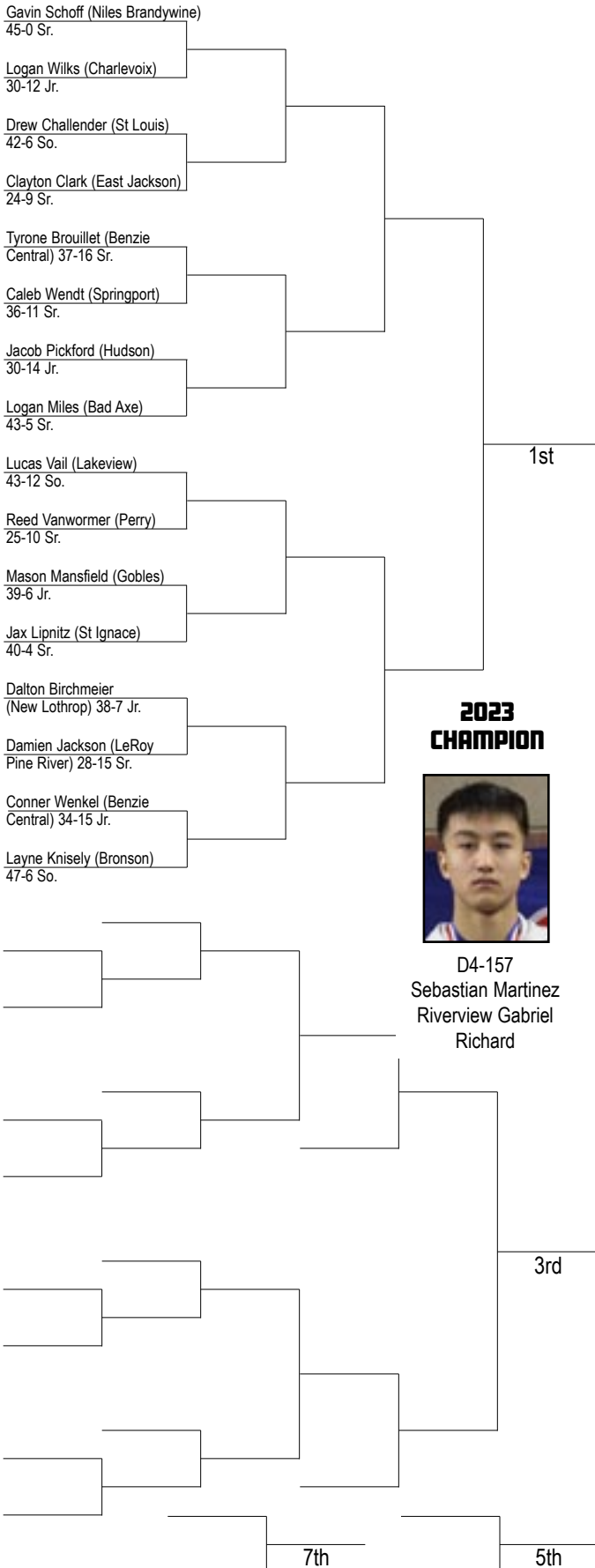


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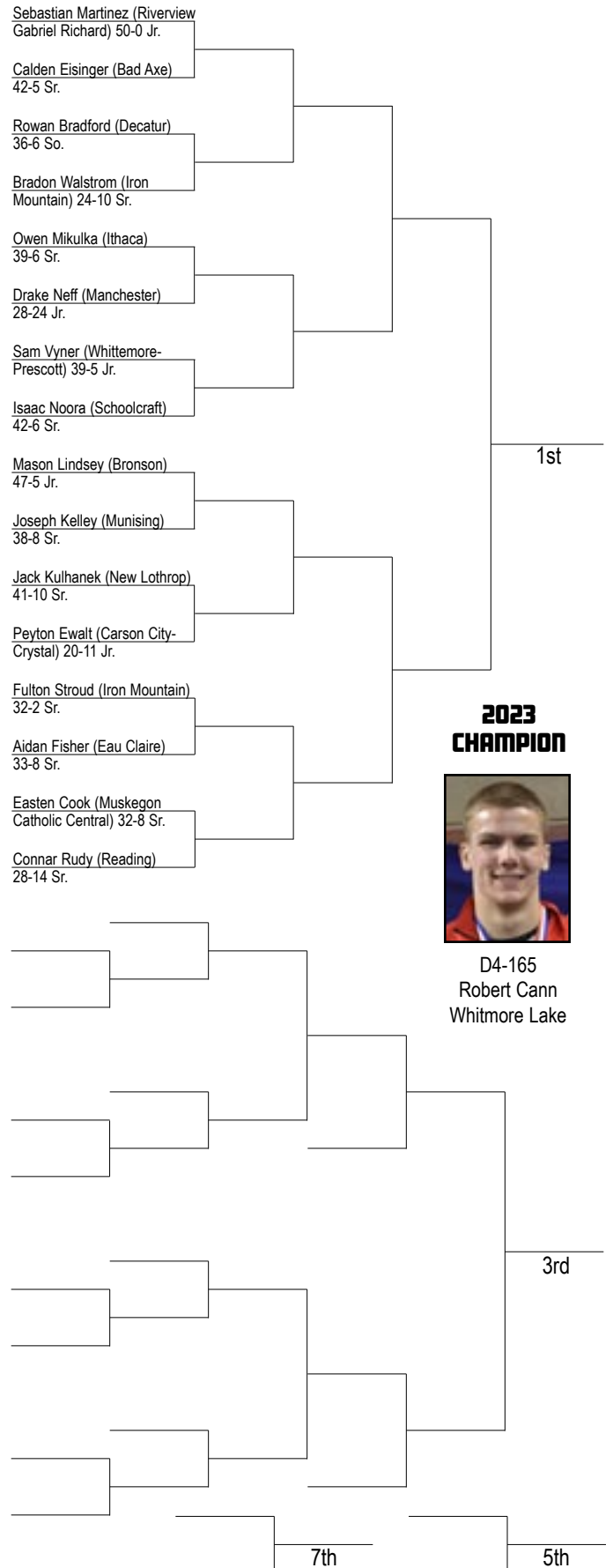


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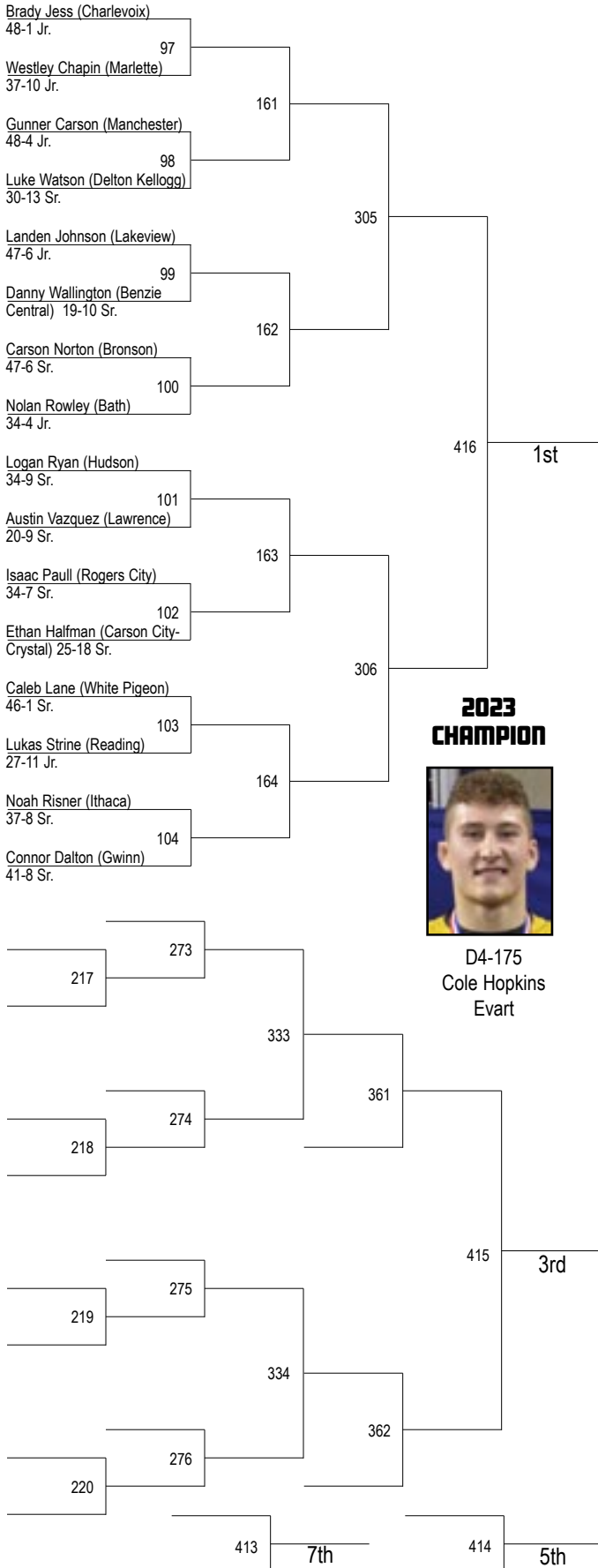


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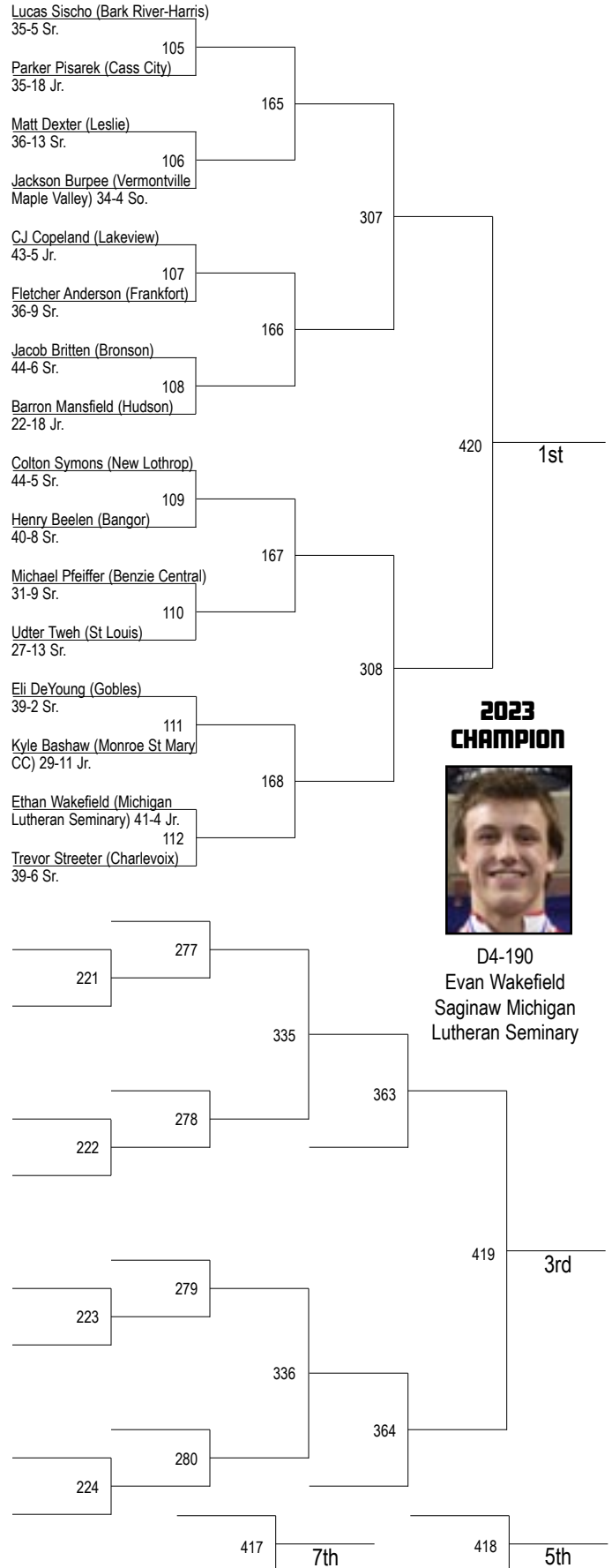


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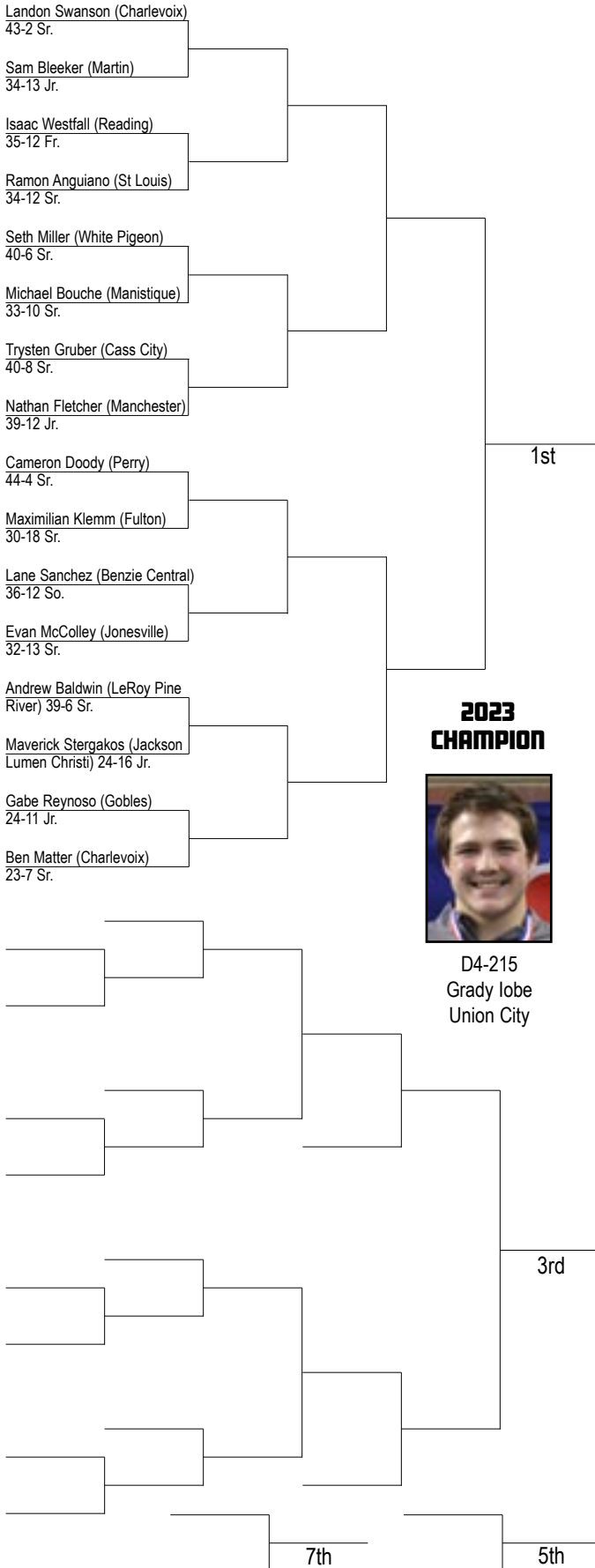


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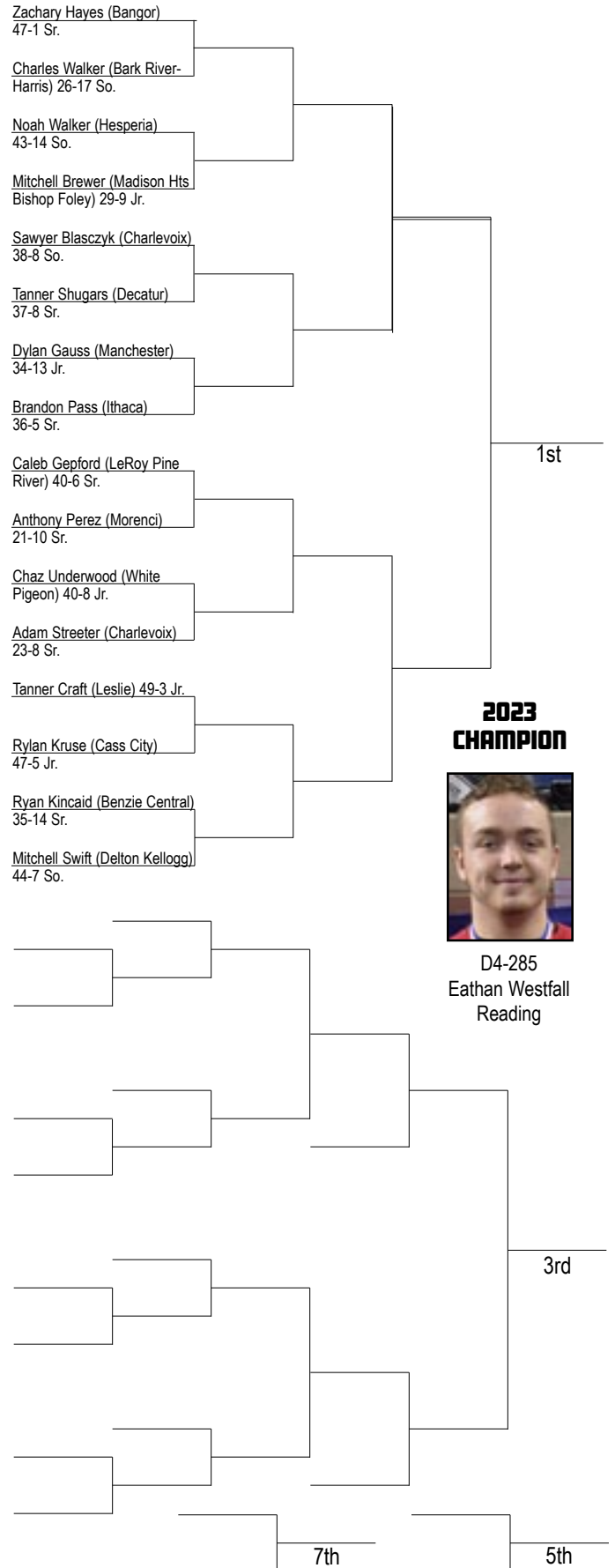


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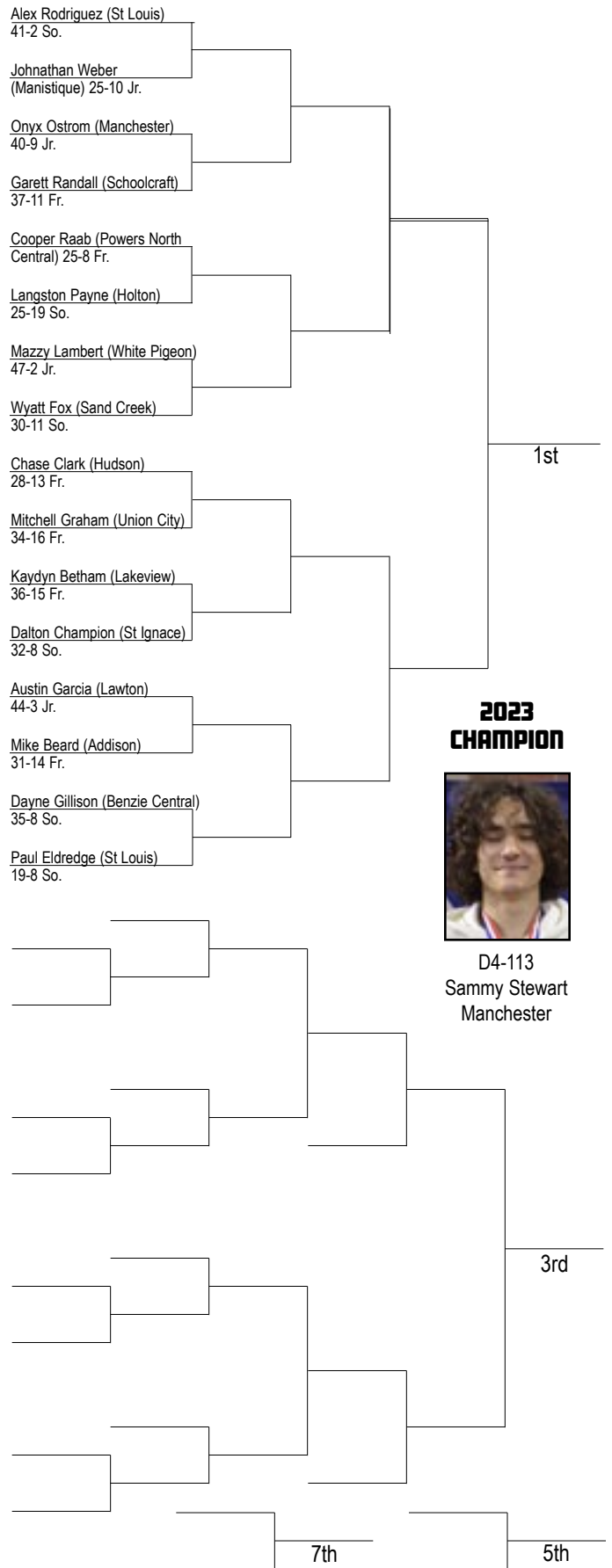


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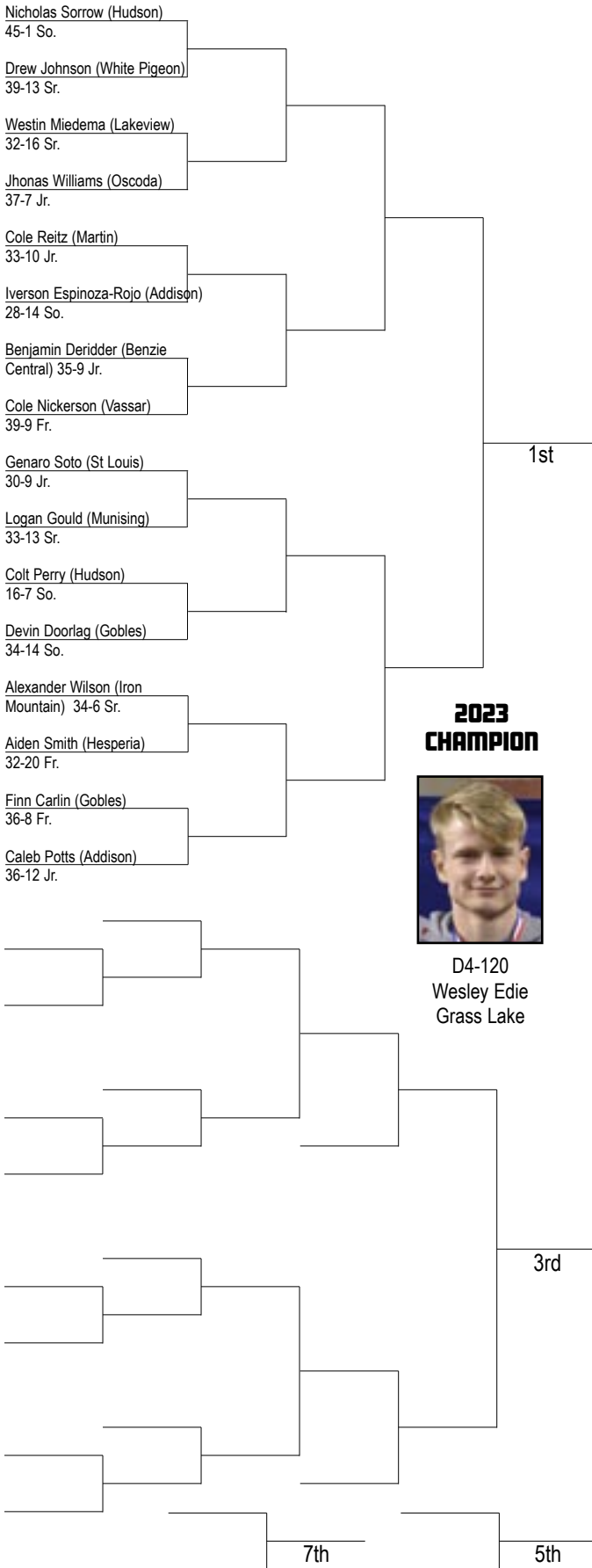


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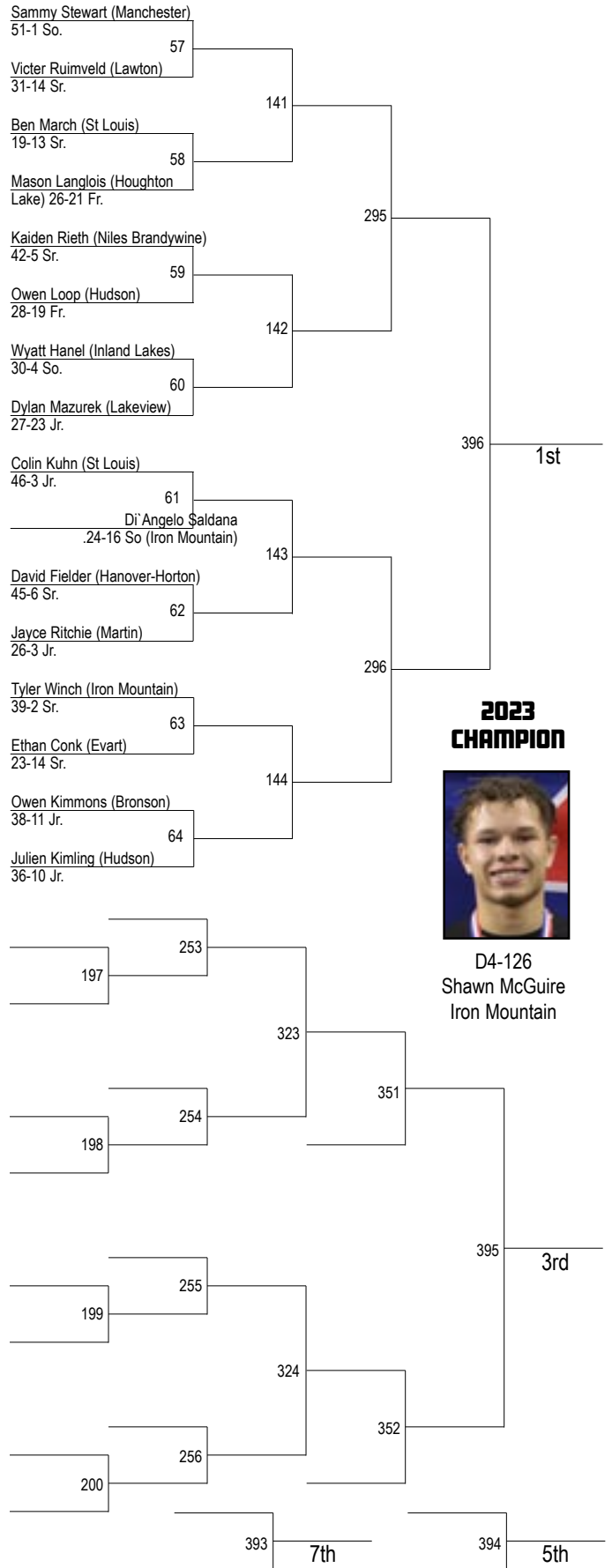


**2023
CHAMPION**



D4-120
Wesley Edie
Grass Lake

126 POUNDS



**2023
CHAMPION**



D4-126
Shawn McGuire
Iron Mountain



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FINALS NOTES

Your Officials Today

Just as the participants on the teams at this year's Finals are realizing a dream of vying for top honors, another group of individuals are also reaching a goal for the hard work they have put in by being assigned to officiate the action.

These officials believe that interscholastic athletics are truly educational in nature, and work to uphold that standard. Like the athletes in the Finals, officials come from all corners of Michigan.

Selected to work this year's Individual Wrestling Finals are: **Jamie Betts**, Farwell; **Bobby Hearn**, Novi; **Kendall Domeier**, Dorr; **Matthew Stabley**, Macomb; **Justin Van Rheen**, Traverse City; **Erin Windemuller**, Walker; **Stephen Livings**, Roseville; **David Witgen**, Bruce Twp; **Stacey Swiatlowski**, Ludington; **Jim Berry**, Melvindale; **Pat Wollet**, Hudson; **Pericles Chiatlas**, Plymouth; **Chad Davinich**, Warren; **Tom Arsenault**, Dearborn; **Jarrett Skorup**, Midland; **Jerrid Schalk**, Warren; **James Gourlay**, Lapeer; **David Hall**, Farmington Hills; **Patrick Conroy**, Mendon; **Eric Seifert**, Bloomfield Hills; **Alan Berget**, Buchanan; **Kyle Nesbit**, Owosso; **Eric Hebestreit**, Garden City; **Ed Hedgecock**, Caledonia; **Gary Kowalewski**, St. Clair Shores; **Steve Vecchioni**, Grosse Ile; **Faisal Munassar**, Melvindale; **D John Andrews**, Union Lake; **Matthew Newcomb**, Davison; **John Ebenhoeh**, Chesaning; **Trenton Braman**, Alma; **Cassandra Baranoski**, Belmont; **Tom Baranoski**, Comstock Park; **Kyle Nixon**, Sparta; **Murray Rose**, Zeeland; **Lynwood Leightner**, Cheboygan; **Lon Cook**, Roscommon; **Joseph Yugas**, Tecumseh; **Rob Braman**, Sheridan; **Louis Berry III**, Munising.

Congratulations to this year's Final officials. If you are interested in becoming a registered game official in any sport, contact the MHSAA at 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing, MI 48823, or register online at MHSAA.com.

Behind The Scenes

The hallmark of a strong association is its ability to work together for the common good. Every year, nearly 10,000 contest officials and 50,000-plus administrators and coaches at over 1,300 middle, junior and senior high schools voluntarily pool their efforts daily for the operations of the MHSAA's interscholastic athletic programs.

An important responsibility of membership in the Association is the operation of the hundreds of District, Regional and Final tournaments by school administrators who serve as the site managers for these games.

The behind the scenes work of these individuals and their staffs make sure that tournament competition is a memorable experience for the participants.

The MHSAA would like to thank tournament managers **Scott Strickler** and **Ron Nagy**. Results throughout the weekend are coordinated via **TrackWrestling**. Special thanks also go out to the medical staff for this event, led by **Dr. Robert Kinningham**, and **Jeff Kline**.

Coordinating the Finals from the MHSAA office are **Dan Hutcheson** and **Sam Davis**. Assisting from the MHSAA Office is **Jamie VanDerMoere**.

The MHSAA recognizes the efforts of all individuals who are contributing to make this year's event a success.

Performing the National Anthem and God Bless America throughout the weekend are: Friday Opening – **Jayna Seekman**, Bronson, National Anthem; **Kaelin Williams**, West Bloomfield, God Bless America. Friday Semifinals – **Sami Allen**, Birmingham Seaholm, National Anthem; **Lyndsey Tibbs**, Holly High School, God Bless America. Saturday Morning – **Kerrington McCurdy**, Livonia Stevenson, National Anthem. Saturday Finals – **Marisa Black**, Waterford Kettering, National Anthem; **Petra Kelly**, Romeo, God Bless America.

Flag Bearers this weekend are: Opening Grand March – Girls: **Angelina Pena**, Milan; D1: **Justin Gates**, Davison; D2: **Adam Polk**, Pontiac, Jackson Northwest; D3: **Cameron Chinavare**, Dundee; D4: **Landyn Crance**, Union City. Finals Grand March – Girls: **Sabrina Nauss**, Brighton; D1: **Darius Marines**, Detroit Catholic Central; D2: **Easton Phipps**, Goodrich; D3: **Kade Klucze**, Dundee; D4: **Coy Perry**, Hudson.

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LIVE and archived video of all matches from the Individual Wrestling Finals is available on **MHSAA.tv**. Visit the **MHSAA.com** and **TrackWrestling.com** Website for results.

MHSAA FOUR-TIME CHAMPS

Mike Mills, Mt. Pleasant—98-112-132-138 (1976-79)
 Gregory Elie, Escanaba—98-105-112-119 (1980-83)
 Robert Mariucci, Iron Mountain—112-126-145-155 (1981-84)
 Michael Murdoch, Montrose—119-132-145-145 (1983-86)
 Larry Raether, Iron Mountain — 112-119-132-132 (1984-87)
 Brandon Chesher, Adrian 112-125-134-145 (1993-96)
 Jeremiah Tobias, Manchester — 125-130-135-145 (1997-00)
 Dan Maloney, Escanaba — 125-135-140-145 (1998-01)
 Nick Simmons, Williamston — 103-103-119-119 (1998-01)
 Andy Simmons, Williamston — 112-130-135-140 (1999-02)
 Roger Kish, Lapeer West — 160-171-189-189 (2000-03)
 Joe Mendez, Lowell —103-112-130-135 (2002-05)
 Brent Metcalf, Davison —130-140-145-145 (2002-05)
 Justin Zeerip, Hesperia —125-145-152-160 (2004-05-06-07)
 Mark Weber, Goodrich - 103-112-125-135 (2005-08)
 Kyle Waldo, Rockford - 103-103-112-119 (2006-07-08-09)
 Taylor Massa, St. Johns - 145-152-160-171 (2009-10-11-12)

Adam Coon, Fowlerville — 215-215-285-285 (2010-13)
 Zac Hall, St. Johns — 103-112-125-140 (2011-14)
 Lincoln Olson, Davison — 103-112-125-135 (2012-15)
 Devin Skatzka, Richmond — 135-145-152-160 (2012-15)
 Ben Freeman, Walled Lake Central —103-125-135-140 (2014-17)
 Jarrett Trombley, Corunna/Lake Fenton — 112-119-130-130
 (2015 Corunna, 2016-18 Lake Fenton)
 Brandon Whitman, Dundee — 171-189-189-215 (2015-18)
 Kevon Davenport, Detroit Catholic Central—119-130-145-145 (2016-19)
 Jordan Hamdan, Hudson—112-119-130-135 (2016-19)
 Austin Boone, Lowell — 135-145-152-145 (2017-20)
 Skyler Crespo, Mendon — 125-135-140-145 (2017-20)
 Stoney Buell, Dundee — 135-152-160-189 (2018-21)
 Alex Facundo, Davison — 152-160-171--171 (2018-21)
 Casey Swiderski, Dundee — 103-135-145-152 (2019-22)
 Josh Barr, Davison — 152-160-171-175 (2020-23)
 Braeden Davis, Dundee — 103-112-119-132 (2020-23)
 Dylan Gilcher, Detroit Catholic Central 112-135-140-150 (2020-23)
 Caden Horwath, Davison — 103-119-125-126 (2020-23)



About the Foundation

The **Grand March Foundation, Inc** is a creation of three men integral to the enhancement of Michigan interscholastic wrestling; a former MHSAA Assistant Director, an Individual Final Tournament Manager, and a key Assistant Manager. Combined, they represent more than 125 years of officiating and have worked on more than 60 Final Tournaments. Within the wrestling community, they are well known. The *GMF* is their attempt to ensure there will be a quality wrestling experience for years to come.

Following the 2022 high school season, Ron Nagy, Bill Bupp, and Scott Strickler considered what they might do to maintain the level of appreciation and quality that have been a hallmark of the modern MHSAA tournament, established in 1989. From that meeting, the seeds of "a foundation" to perpetuate the program sprouted and today, the **Grand March Foundation**, a 501 (c)(3) corporation, is a reality.

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