

# Scots and TK combine to send six to regionals

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With the team season finished for Thornapple Kellogg and Caledonia and the first round of the individual state wrestling tournament completed, four Trojans and two Fighting Scots have bouts remaining.

Caledonia senior Michael Schaibly won the 285-pound weight class at Saturday's Division 2 individual district tournament hosted by Hastings, to earn a spot in today's individual regional tournament at Cedar Springs High School.

The top four individuals in each weight class Saturday earned the right to advance to the regional tournament, and the top four at the regional will earn a spot in the individual state finals at the Palace of Auburn Hills March 6-8.

It would be a return trip to the finals for Schaibly, and Thornapple Kellogg junior Kyle Dalton who placed third at Hastings in the 125-pound weight class.

Both two-time state qualifiers already, have state medal winning performances on their resume. Schaibly was sixth in Division 2's 285-pound weight class a year ago. Dalton was fourth at 112 pounds in Division 2 as a freshmen.

Schaibly pinned Hastings' Justin Jevicks in the 285-pound championship bout Saturday, in 2 minutes 52 seconds. Dalton had to fight his way through the consolation bracket, eventually scoring a 4-0 decision over Hastings' Gage Pederson to place third.

They'll be joined at today's regional tournament by four of their teammates, Caledonia's Tanner Zych (130 pounds), and TK's Mike Craven (103), Dan Lydy (140), and Chris Westra (189).

Craven, Lydy, and Westra all placed second in their flights. Zych was fourth.

Craven fell to Allegan's Steve Krcztovich 10-6 in the 103-pound final. Lydy went up against Rogers' Jory Kurkjian and was downed 10-1 in the 140-pound final. In the 189-pound championship match, Westra was pinned by Plainwell's Joe Riley in 5:27.

Zych reached the consolation finals, where he was pinned by Allegan's Dan Stamm in 2:57.

Two teams that met Wednesday night's Division 2 regional team tournament at Thornapple Kellogg High School dominated Saturday's individual district tournament at Hastings Saturday. The host Saxons scored ten regional qualifiers Saturday, and Allegan 11.

Plainwell wasn't far behind with nine.

The Allegan Tigers put six wrestlers in the finals, and scored five individual district championships. The Saxons put five in the finals, and finished with two champions. Other individual champions on the day Saturday were Plainwell's Dillon Roblyer (112) and Tim Burnham (171), Allegan's Steve Poffenberger (119), Matt Smith (125), Andy Krcatovich (135), and John Rizqullah (160), Hastings' Alec Wilcox (130) and Josh Morehouse (215), Wyoming Park's Jake Potyraj (145), and Byron Center's Brian Plummer (152).