

Six Ohio State Wrestlers Earn NWCA All-America Honors



Like usual, numerous Ohio State wrestlers earned All-America honors.

However, the six Buckeyes who were named All-Americans received the accolades through unusual circumstances.

Traditional All-America honors could not be awarded because of the cancellation of the NCAA Championships, so the National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) announced its 2020 All-America team instead.

The six Ohio State student-athletes were recognized for their “overall body of work through the conference tournament and up to the national championships.”

Ohio State’s Kollin Moore, Luke Pletcher, Kaleb Romero and Sammy Sasso earned first-team honors, while Ethan Smith was named to the second team and Rocky Jordan reeled in honorable mention. The NWCA chose eight wrestlers at each weight class as first-team All-Americans, four as second-teamer and four honorable mention recipients.

“During difficult times there are always people who rise to the occasion and I’m proud of the action that the NWCA Division I Leadership Group in providing direction for honoring the 2020 Division I All-American team,” Mike Moyer, NWCA Executive Director, said. “It’s important that these athletes’ efforts and successes during the season are recognized. Congratulations to each of this year’s honorees and National Qualifiers.”

Below are links to the NWCA All-America First Team, Second Team, and Honorable Mention selections:

NWCA All-America First Team

NWCA All-America Second Team

NWCA All-America Honorable Mention

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