



# STRENGTH & HONOR

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## Start of a new season 2019-2020

Last season Jamestown burst onto the scene with a good line up and finished 16-6 in duals but nowhere near where we should have in the WDA barely losing out of qualifying for the State Dual Tournament. Losing three close duals to Century, Minot, and Turtle Mountain, this team is determined not to let close duals slip through their fingers this season. We felt we had the potential to make it to the State Dual Tournament last season. This season, the attitude hasn't changed.

Jamestown went undefeated against EDC teams last season and want to carry that momentum into the WDA this season.

Obviously it is tough losing 5 solid seniors to graduation, among them 220 State Champion Paul Vandal and State Champion Ethan Bowman who finished 3<sup>rd</sup> last season, 7<sup>th</sup> place Aaron Mack at 182, 2x placer Braden Hatcher, and 30 match winner Sam Krebs. We feel we have reloaded with what is returning. The core is back with four placers Aden Braun, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Joel Bowman, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Colton Mewes, 8<sup>th</sup>; and Noah Braun, 4<sup>th</sup>. These four wrestled most of the summer and are poised to lead the team to a better season this year.

This team knows the time for talk is over and is hungry to prove that last season was not a fluke and should have been in the State Dual Tournament. A 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish in the Region and a 4<sup>th</sup> Place finish in the State Individual Tournament was a great finish for this team. But the kids feel they are not satisfied with that and want more. The attitude is awesome in the room and we expect to win.



Left: Aden Braun defends the shot.

Right: Joel Bowman goes for the pin.

#3 Bismarck Century 35 - #8 Blue Jays 34

<https://www.jamestownsun.com/sports/wrestling/4790070-Thrilling-opener-Blue-Jays-fall-via-tiebreaker-to-Patriots>



## 2019 Knights of Columbus Invitational Wrestling Tournament

Blue Jays look to defend their KC Tournament Championship. Last season's 1st Place finish was the Blue Jays' first tournament win in exactly 20 years. Now, the Jays seek to defend their home tournament crown! This Saturday, December 7, 11:00am is when the action starts! If you are interested in working the tournament, please sign up online via the email sent out by Coach Robinson or me, Coach Eslick!



December starts a busy streak for the Jays. Five weekends in a row starting with the KC Tournament, Grand Forks Sertoma December 13-14, Valley City Holiday Tournament December 21, Rumble on the Red December 27-28, and the Gadberry Invite in Moorhead, January 4. With two duals and a triangular mixed in, it is a lot of wrestling in a short amount of time! Hope you all can come and cheer us on!

**SEE YOU ON THE MAT! STRENGTH AND HONOR!**

Coach Eslick