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Ross is shut out

TOLEDO — Ross was shut out from the Class AAA State Wrestling Tournament for the third year in a row Saturday as both Mike Mezinger and Mike Wendt finished third in the district tourney at Rogers High School.

Mezinger, 105, lost to runnerup Tim Klostermier of Toledo St. John's in Saturday afternoon's semifinal matches. He had built up a 6-2 lead going into the final period but was put on his back twice in the final two minutes to lose 9-6.

In the consolation matches, the Ross sophomore defeated Matt Behringer of Defiance 3-2 in the finals.

Only the top two finishers in the AAA district advanced to the state meet.

Wendt, a senior 185-pounder, suffered the same fate as Mezinger. Up 3-0 midway through the final period, Wendt was caught in a five-point reversal and nearfall by Robert Price of Lima Senior and lost 5-3.

In the consolation finals, Wendt won by default from Bob Newland of Wapakoneta.