

# WEAVER, WEISSINGER, AND WOOD WIN BY PINS AS SHORTHANDED LITTLE GIANTS LOSE TO EDISON

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FREMONT – In most sports, an individual’s success – and the enjoyment thereof – is limited if the team’s success isn’t there.

In wrestling, however, even if a team can’t keep up with an opponent top-to-bottom, the individual wrestler can still thrive and succeed.



Jackson Weissinger rises to his feet moments after pinning Edison's Griffin Soviak. Above: Ryan Weaver has his hand raised following a pin of Edison's Garrett Scott.

Fremont Ross wrestling coach Chad Hetrick and his staff are preaching that message to the Little Giants in the early going this season. In Saturday's season-opening tournament at Aurora and again Wednesday night when Ross hosted Edison in a dual match, the Little Giants entered the competition shorthanded from a team standpoint. Hosting the Chargers, the Little Giants have to forfeit five weight classes, giving up 30 points off the bat, leading to a 49-24 defeat.

"We have to keep the kids focused on what they're in the sport for," Hetrick said. "In reality, yeah, it's a team sport in all aspects, but we're shooting for individual goals also, and we're keeping them focused on their individual goals.

"We have some injuries we're going to get back next week and some weight issues that will hopefully come around next week to help fill out the lineup," he added. "Hopefully, in the next couple of weeks, everything will come around, and we can come close to a full lineup."

The Little Giants won four weight classes, three coming by pins in the first period. Ryan Weaver won at 138 pounds, Jackson Weissinger won at 160, and Caleb Wood pinned his opponent at 220 in just 18 seconds.



Ross Keaton Jordan wrestles Edison's Shadrick Slone on Wednesday night.

"Ryan Weaver, he's stepping up," Hetrick said. "He's an underclassman filling in for Charles Chapman right now and doing an excellent job. He's working his butt off in the practice room and coming around really well.

"Jackson and Caleb Wood pretty much push themselves in practice; they're good workers," he added. "They have that killer instinct where they want to win, and they know they're expected to win."

Brandon Garcia won by forfeit at 182 pounds for Ross' other victory.

Of Edison's five non-forfeit victories, two were by slim decisions, Keaton Jordan lost 5-4 at 152 and heavyweight Mike Thomas lost in overtime.

From a team-perspective, Hetrick said the Little Giants have to be stronger and have more stamina when their opponents are on top.



Caleb Wood pins Edison's Jackson Berardi on Wednesday night in just 18 seconds.

"We need more movement on bottom, we're kind of stale on bottom," he said.

"We lost a few close matches just because a couple of kids were out of shape. We have to work harder on conditioning; it probably would have made the team

score a little closer than it was. Overall, our bottom is our weak point, and we need to work on our bottom moves and get out of the bottom.”

The Ross wrestlers have two weeks before their next meet, coming Dec. 19 at Sandusky against the Blue Streaks, Sandusky Perkins, and Ashland.

### **Edison 49, Fremont Ross 24**

**106** – Alec Homan (E) def. David Boda by pin

**113** – Jarod Fantauzzi (E) win by forfeit

**120** – Cole Weilmann (E) win by forfeit

**126** – Casey Barnett (E) def. Carter Smith, 13-2

**132** – Raymond Adams (E) def. Bryce Moreland by pin

**138** – Ryan Weaver (FR) def. Garrett Scott by pin

**145** – Jordan Keegan (E) win by forfeit

**152** – Shadrick Slone (E) def. Keaton Jordan, 5-4

**160** – Jackson Weissinger (FR) def. Griffin Saviak by pin

**170** – Walker Cisco (E) win by forfeit

**182** – Brandon Garcia (FR) win by forfeit

**195** – Jacob Thompson (E) win by forfeit

**220** – Caleb Wood (FR) def. Jackson Berardi by pin

**Heavyweight** – Carson Holmes (E) def. Mike Thomas 8-6 (OT)



**LITTLE GIANT WRESTLERS DOMINATE WAITE FOR DUAL MATCH WIN**

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After wrestling short-handed in their first two events of the season, the Fremont Ross wrestling team got a glimpse of what it might be able to do when full strength.

The Little Giants dominated the mat Wednesday night against Toledo Waite Indians, winning all but two weight classes in a 63-12 dual match victory.

Ross picked up seven victories by pinfall, with David Boda, Carter Smith, Ryan Weaver, Isaac Smith, Keaton Jordan, Caleb Wood, and Mike Thomas all picking up the six-point wins.

Bryce Morland, Evan Oglesee, and Brandon Garcia all won by decision, while Jackson Weissinger and Yuseek Atkins won by forfeit.

“It was a good confidence-builder for the team as we get kids back from injuries,” head coach Chad Hetrick said. “We’ve got to continue to work in the practice room as our tougher part of the schedule starts to hit us next week.”

Next Wednesday, the Little Giants travel to Sandusky High School, where they’ll meet the host Blue Streaks as well as Sandusky Perkins and Ashland.

### **Fremont Ross 63, Toledo Waite 12**

**106** – Yuseek Atkins win by forfeit

**113** – David Boda win by pin

**126** – Carter Smith win by pin

**132** – Bryce Moreland win by decision

**138** – Ryan Weaver win by pin

**145** – Isaac Smith win by pin

**152** – Keaton Jordan win by pin

**160** – Evan Oglesbee win by decision

**170** – Jackson Weissinger win by forfeit

**182** – Brandon Garcia win by decision

**220** – Caleb Wood win by pin

**Heavyweight** – Mike Thomas win by pin

## **DESHEA PETTIFORD, JACKSON WEISSINGER**

### **WIN TITLES AT GORMAN INVITE**

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MANSFIELD – Two individual championships, a pair of runners-up, and a third-place finish as a team highlighted the Little Giant wrestling team’s weekend at the J.C. Gorman Invitational.

As strong as Ross’s showing was, it could have been even better if the team hadn’t wrestled shorthanded.



Jackson Weissinger



DeShea Pettiford

“We had three wrestlers away on a church retreat this weekend (and) Charles Chapman is out with a pulled lower hamstring,” coach Chad Hetrick said. “If we have these kids in our lineup, the team would definitely be sitting in the second position.”

The Little Giants won a pair of weight class championships, as DeShea Pettiford won his bracket at 145 pounds and Jackson Weissinger won at 160.

“Deshea Pettiford (is) wrestling tough, working hard towards one of his goals – most takedowns in a season – he has well over 115 at this point,” Hetrick said.

“Jackson Weissinger worked hard throughout the tournament. Meeting up with Justin Mayes, from Bellevue, who is ranked fifth in Division 3, in the finals and won a 4-3 decision.”

Carter Smith advanced to the championship match at 126 pounds, and Caleb Wood did the same at 220, where they both finished runner-up in their respective brackets.

“The majority of the kids wrestled well,” Hetrick said. “Carter Smith had an excellent tournament. Hopefully, it was a confidence-builder for him to move on.

“Caleb Wood walked his way through the tournament, where he faced Josh Beaver, from Ashland, No. 1 in Division 1, where he defeated Wood for the 3rd time this season.”

Keaton Jordan returned to the lineup for the first time since suffering a season-ending injury last year. Knocking off the rust, he had a strong tournament, compiling a 4-3 record for the weekend at 152 pounds and finished sixth.

Brandon Garcia went 3-2 at 170 pounds before having to default due to injury. Ryan Weaver (138 pounds) went 1-2 on the weekend, while Yuseef Atkins (106) and Garrett Haeusser (120) both went 0-2.

### **Fremont Ross J.C. Gorman Invitational**

Individual Finishes:

#### **Weight Class Champions:**

145 – Deshea Pettiford

160 – Jackson Weissinger

#### **Runners-up:**

126 – Carter Smith

220 – Caleb Wood

#### **6th Place:**

152 – Keaton Jordan

#### **Other wrestlers**

106 – Yuseef Atkins 0-2

120 – Garrett Haeusser 0-2

138 – Ryan Weaver 1-2

Injury default

170 – Brandon Garcia 3-2

# CHARLES CHAPMAN, CALEB WOOD EARN 100TH WINS OF THEIR CAREERS IN LITTLE GIANTS WIN OVER OAK HARBOR

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FREMONT – It might have been the full meet Fremont Ross was hoping for, but the Little Giants weren't about to let that put a damper on Senior Night. Ross and Oak Harbor entered Wednesday night's dual meet short-handed, both dealing with their share of injuries, but the Little Giants held firm, taking a 38-30 victory over the Rockets.



Charles Chapman



Caleb Wood

“Not really the type of dual that we were looking for, Oak Harbor was really banged up, we had some injuries also,” coach Chad Hetrick said. “We’d like to see a full line-up on sides and compete.”

Highlighting the night for the Little Giants was Charles Chapman and Caleb Wood each picking up the 100th victory of their careers.

**Team score:** Fremont Ross 38, Oak Harbor 30

**106** – Michael Judge (OH) win by forfeit

**113** – Cade Peterson (OH) def. David Boda by pin fall

**120** – Tyler David (OH) def. Michael Born by pin fall

**126** – Troy Jensen (OH) def. Garrett Haeusser by pin fall

**132** – Carter Smith (FR) def. Zach Filipiak by decision

**138** – Charles Chapman (FR) won by forfeit

**145** – DeShea Pettiford (FR) def. Jack Zeitezheim by technical fall

**152** – Keaton Jordan (FR) won by forfeit

**160** – Jackson Weissinger (FR) def. Wyatt Miller by injury default

**170** – Nathan Mansor (OH) def. Evan Oglesbee by pin fall

**182** – Brandon Garcia (FR) def. Dylan Sheits by decision

**195** – Double default

**220** – Caleb Wood (FR) def. Jacob Sage by decision

**Heavyweight** – Mike Thomas (FR) won by forfeit

## **LINEUP HOLES TOO BIG FOR ROSS WRESTLERS IN DUAL REGIONAL TOURNAMENT**

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OREGON – Not being able to fill out a complete lineup has been an issue at times for the Ross wrestling team this season, and it showed itself once again Saturday in the Little Giants' regional wrestling team dual tournament.

After a first-round bye, the Little Giants dispatched Bowling Green, 48-15, a team whose lineup issues were as problematic as Ross'.

But Ross' lineup issues were too much to overcome in a quarterfinal match with Perrysburg, forcing a forfeit in five weight classes in a 48-24 defeat, with the 24-point margin of victory consisting of the four 6-point matches awarded due to Ross not being able to compete as a healthy wrestler.

Four Little Giants went 2-0 on the day. Yuseek Atkins (106 pounds), Carter Smith (126), DeShea Pettiford (145), and Jackson Weissinger, who won both his matches by pins and wrestled at 170 against Bowling Green and 160 against Perrysburg, all led the way for the Little Giants.

Keaton Jordan (152) and Mike Thomas (285) won by pins against Bowling Green, while Evan Oglesbee (160) and Brandon Garcia (182) won by decisions. Alerik Scully won by forfeit.

Laurence Newland won by a decision at 285 for Ross against Perrysburg.

The Little Giants will be back in action on Wednesday at Bellevue at 7 p.m.

## **Division I Team Duals Regional Tournament**

### **Second round match**

#### **Fremont Ross 48, Bowling Green 15**

106 – Yuseef Atkins (FR) pin Daniel Castro, 3:54

113 – Double Forfeit

120 – Cameron Deiter (BG) pin Garrett Haeusser, 1:40

126 – Carter Smith (FR) pin J.T. Pickens, 2:52  
132 – Alerik Scully (FR) forfeit  
138 – Arturo Beltran (BG) dec. Dean Hetrick, 7-2  
145 – Deshea Pettiford (FR) dec. August Eschedor, 24-9  
152 – Keaton Jordan (FR) pin Caleb Johnson, 1:44  
160 – Evan Oglesbee (FR) dec. Damien Miller, 14-4  
170 – Jackson Weissinger (FR) pin Devan Savage-Brown, 3:06  
182 – Brandon Garcia (FR) dec. Donavan Pickett, 10-8  
195 – Max Fausnaugh (BG) forfeit  
220 – Double Forfeit  
285 – Mike Thomas (FR) pin Isaiha Gonzalez, 1:03

### **Quarterfinal match**

#### **Perrysburg 48, Fremont Ross 24**

106 – Yuseef Atkins (FR) forfeit  
113 – Double Forfeit  
120 – Jackson Hawker (PB) pin Garrett Haeusser, 2:38  
126 – Carter Smith (FR) dec. Colin Ruby, 12-4  
132 – Blake Saito (PB) pin Alerik Scully, 3:31  
138 – Quinn McNulty (PB) forfeit  
145 – Deshea Pettiford (FR) dec. Ayden Steinline, 21-6  
152 – Noah Ewen (PB) pin Keaton Jordan, 4:56  
160 – Jackson Weissinger (FR) pin Chris Mason, 2:52  
170 – Shandi Anz (PB) pin Brandon Garcia, 1:28  
182 – Ethan Garee (PB) forfeit  
195 – Ryan Musgrove (PB) forfeit  
220 – Sam Sawaya (PB) forfeit  
285 – Laurence Newland (FR) dec. Ethan Morley, 7-3

## **LITTLE GIANTS WRESTLERS SPLIT TRI-MEET WITH VERMILLION, BELLEVUE**

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BELLEVUE – The Little Giant grapplers managed to split a tri-meet Wednesday night, despite a short-handed lineup. Though Ross was forced to forfeit several weight classes, the Little Giants managed to defeat Vermillion, 46-30, but fell to Bellevue, 43-36.

Yuseef Atkins earned a pair of forfeit victories at 106 pounds. Charles Chapman, Deshea Pettiford, Keaton Jordan, Caleb Wood, and Mike Thomas all won both of their matches on Wednesday, with both of Jordan's victories coming by pin. Garrett Haeusser, Brandon Garcia, and Michael Kirksey also picked up victories in the match against Vermillion.

Ross' wrestlers will be back in action next weekend at the TRAC Championships at Whitmer on Saturday, Feb. 16.

### **Fremont Ross 46 vs. Vermillion 30**

106 – Yuseef Atkins (FR) won by forfeit

113 – Brandon D'Egidio (Ver.) def. David Boda by pin

120 – double forfeit

126 – Garrett Haeusser (FR) won by forfeit

132 – Micheal Kirksey (FR) def. Quintin Gebhardt by pin

138 – Charles Chapman (FR) def. Nolan Logue by technical fall

145 – Deshea Pettiford (FR) def. Jacob Koleszar by technical fall

152 – Keaton Jordan (FR) def. Dillon Henry by pin

160 – Owen Gear (Ver.) def. Evan Oglesbee by pin

170 – Brandon Garcia (FR) def. William Guendeisberger by pin

182 – Chris Bennett (Ver.) won by forfeit

195 – Drake Shaw (Ver.) won by forfeit

220 – Caleb Wood (FR) won by forfeit

285 – Mike Thomas (FR) won by forfeit

**Fremont 36 vs. Bellevue 43**

106 – Yuseef Atkins (FR) won by forfeit

113 – Gabe Alda (Bell) def. David Boda by pin

120 – Noah Alda (Bell) won by forfeit

126 – Caiden Walter's (Bell) def. Garrett Hausner by pin

132 – Dylan Wilson (Bell) def. Michael Kirksey by dec., 3-1

138 – Charles Chapman (FR) def. Garrett Andreas by pin

145 – Deshea Pettiford (FR) def. Cody Kile by pin

152 – Keaton Jordan (FR) def. Hugh Beier by pin

160 – Justin Mayes (Bell) won by forfeit

170 – Collin Corapi (Bell) won by forfeit

182 – Evan Straub (Bell) def. Brandon Garcia by maj. dec., 12-2

195 – Aiden Nunez (Bell) won by forfeit

220 – Caleb Wood (FR) def. Dylan Adkins by pin

285 – Mike Thomas (FR) def. Colton Ray by pin