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Little Giants wrestlers still alive at district

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HILLIARD — Four Fremont Ross wrestlers must come out of the consolation bracket to reach next weekend's state tournament after the first two rounds of the Division I district tournament at Hilliard High School.

Brandon Willer (215 pounds) was the only first-round winner for the Little Giants, pinning Eric Liming of Grove City in a minute and 26 seconds in the opening round. In the second round, the Ross senior lost 12-7 to Greg Simpson of Dublin. Willer will wrestle Brent Sink of Toledo Central Catholic in his first consolation match today.

Derek Wensinger (103), Don Wensinger (135) and Keith Mosser (171) of Ross lost in the first round but were "pulled back" into the tournament when the opponent they lost to won in the second round.

All three lost via technical falls. Derek Wensinger 18-3 to Zane Stickel of Gahanna Lincoln; Don Wensinger 21-6 to Seth Hughes of Pickerington; and Mosser 29-11 to Sean Salmon of Worthington Kilbourne.

Derek Wensinger will wrestle Rush New of Marion Franklin; Don Wensinger goes against Brian Camargo of Toledo Central Catholic; and Mosser faces Jeff Messaros of Gahanna Lincoln in consolation first-round matches today.

In the Division I district at Hilliard High School, four Fremont Ross wrestlers failed to qualify. After suffering losses in either the first or second rounds Friday, all four Little Giants wrestled consolation matches Saturday.

Brandon Willer (215) won his first consolation match Saturday but had to default in his second after tearing cartilage in his sternum area.

Derek Winsinger (103) won his first round consolation match for Ross but lost in the second.

Pickerington won the Division I title with 131 points.