

WRESTLING

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finals where he faced No. 3 Avery Jaramillo of Thurston Saturday. Tuia picked up a win by fall and a 2-0 decision to move on to the semis, where he got No. 1 Matthew Lee of Milwaukie. And Blake won by fall and by a 5-2 decision to advance to the semis and faced No. 1 Iosefa Polamalu from Sandy.

Madrigal dropped his quarterfinal match and moved into the consolation bracket, where he handed teammate Adrian Delgado his second loss with a fall at 3:58, keeping Madrigal alive.

The Bulldogs were also at the wrong end of a big upset as No. 4 Sean Stewart (220) lost to unseeded Crayton Gillespie of Crater by fall at 5:31 in the first round, and then was eliminated with a loss by fall in consolation as well.

In Class 3A, Riverside and Irrigon finished in 13th (46 points) and 14th place (44 points), respectively, while Echo/Stanford ended its season in 26th place with only 10 points.

For the Pirates, Fernando Ortega (106), Abraham Silva (113) and Andrew Barker (120) all earned fourth place finishes.

Barker and Ortega each moved into the semifinals with wins in the quarterfinals following first-round byes. Ortega has a matchup with No. 2 Ryan Vidlak of Cascade Christian and No. 1 Derrick Kerr from La Pine awaits Barker in the semifinals.

Silva and Ethan Snyder (138) both were in contention in the consolation bracket.

After getting pinned in 3:27 in the semifinals, Ortega quickly made it through the consolation round with a win by fall over Efrain Caldera of Nyssa in just 35 seconds. In the third place match, he was pitted against Dayton's Ryan Penrose — who won by a 9-0 major decision.

Barker moved into the consolation round after La Pine's Derrick Kerr won by a 15-1 major decision. In the consolation semis, Barker won by a 13-2 major decision over Logan Beem of Santiam Christian. Then, in the third place match against Ethan Howard (Willamina), Barker was pinned



CHASE ALLGOOD/THE OREGONIAN
Hermiston's Ruben Madrigal tries to escape the hold of Crescent Valley's Chance Lamer in the 106-pound quarterfinals at the OSAA State Championships in Portland. Madrigal lost the match by fall and finished in sixth place in Class 5A.



CHASE ALLGOOD/THE OREGONIAN
Riverside's Andrew Barker attempts to pin Willamina's Bryce Mode in the 120-pound quarterfinals. Barker won the match by fall, and finished in fourth place for Class 3A.



CHASE ALLGOOD/THE OREGONIAN
Irrigon's Alex Miranda-Walls (top) wrestles Willamina's Nate Kononov in the 170-pound quarterfinals. Miranda-Walls won the match by fall at 1:50, and finished in third place in Class 3A at the OSAA State Championships in Portland.

in just 1:24, where he settled for fourth place — an improvement from his sixth place finish as a junior.

Silva wrestled his way through the consolation bracket to try for third place against Alexys Zepeda of Gervais. The close bout ended in favor of Zepeda, who won by a 3-2 decision.

Irrigon's Alex Miranda-Walls (170) had the best day of any Knight, as he

claimed third place after pinning Scio's Dru Cook in 1:12 to win the match. Miranda-Walls got into the consolation bracket after a narrow 5-4 decision defeat to Harrisburg's Leithan Briggs in the semifinals. He used a first-round bye and a win by fall in the quarterfinals to advance to the semis.

Also for the Knights, Brady Harrington (195)

made it into the third place match by a win by fall in 4:57 and a win by decision (3-2), he lost to Coquille's Joey Vigue by fall (1:27) for a fourth place finish. Harrington's first win in consolation Friday came against Riverside's Adolfo Martinez, which knocked him out of the tournament.

Silvestre Vasquez (126) rounded out the top five in his weight class after pinning Echo's Kyle Ranger in Round 3 of the consolation bracket, he moved on to the consolation semifinals. But after Asher Ruchti (Pleasant Hill) won in sudden victory-1 (9-7), Vasquez had to now wrestle for fifth place. He pinned Hunter Robinson (Scio) in 1:47 for the podium finish.

After Ranger was done for Echo/Stanford, there were only two wrestlers remaining. Both were also defeated in the third round of the consolation bracket.

David Elwood (Willamina/Falls City) won by fall in 2:23 over Mychael Pointer (145), and Logan Butler (182) lost to La Pine's Michael Heutzenroeder by a 9-5 decision.

Ranger wrestled his way into Saturday's slate after winning his first match in consolation by fall. Also on Friday, Pointer scored a close 14-10 decision victory, and Butler won and lost by fall to start the day, and then scored another win by fall in just 50 seconds in consolation to stay in contention.

Heppner's lone wrestler at the tournament, Zach Bredfield at 145 pounds, had back-to-back losses to start and end his day early.

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final automatic qualifier after edging out the seventh place finisher by just 00.42 seconds. Barnard clocked 2:03.12, shaving nearly two whole seconds off his district championship time.

In his second event, the 100-yard butterfly, Barnard finished in eighth place to get one of two alternate spots with his time of 55.49.

Wrathall joined Barnard in the finals Saturday after swimming the 100-yard freestyle in 49.68. His sub-50 seconds was good for fourth place.

In Wrathall's other event, the 100-yard breaststroke, his time of 1:03.00 wasn't good enough to make it into the top six of his heat. But once all 12 swimmers finished, he landed in seventh place to get the first alternate in Saturday's final heat.

Another Bulldog swam in an individual event Friday. Rian Middleton finished

sixth in the para-athlete finals of the mixed 50-yard freestyle (1:10.57).

Hermiston's two relay teams, the boys 200-yard medley and 200-yard freestyle, fell outside of the top six and were unable to make it on time. The medley relay finished in 10th place (1:49.26) and the freestyle relay team placed ninth (1:36.64).

On the final day of competition, Barnard and Wrathall each swam for a title in the 200-yard individual medley (IM) and the 100-yard freestyle, respectively.

Neither, however, were able to crack the top three but did land a spot on the podium. Barnard finished sixth in the IM after clocking 2:03.96. He was in third place after the first lap, but after the turn began falling behind.

Wrathall was close to cracking the top three in the 100-yard free, but finished fourth in 50.21. He was the last swimmer to finish sub-50 seconds.

IRRIGON

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continued. Irrigon's Johnny Phillips made both of his free throws in the bonus to give the Knights a one-point advantage, but they needed to distance themselves and quickly.

Fans from both schools filled the gym with the short travel time, but Umatilla certainly had the home-court advantage and it was getting loud. Any time the Vikings touched the ball the crowd would roar, and only summer momentarily when the Knights came up with a play.

This time, it was Fleming who would silence the stands. At half court, he nabbed the ball away from Umatilla and took it all the way to extend Irrigon's lead to 51-48.

"I saw (Kaden Webb) look at him right from the start," Fleming said of stepping into the passing lane. "I knew what play they were running so I just tried jumping it ... and I got there."

The Vikings' late attempts were unsuccessful, and Irrigon became the new EOL district champions after a tough 40 minutes of play.

"I'm happy for my kids," head coach Davie Salas said. "Playing all those years and having so much success with another group, we just kind

of felt like we were left to do something big. ... We knew eventually it was going to become our time and I told the kids it was our time."

After being within two possessions of the lead for most of the game, Umatilla was finally able to knot the score and take back control in the final minute of regulation. A 3-pointer by the Vikings' top scorer, junior Sebastian Garcia, pushed the score to 40-40.

On the ensuing possession, Irrigon senior Johnny Phillips, who towers above the competition at 6-foot-5, simply outstretched his hand and was able to block Umatilla's attempt at taking the lead. But the Vikings recovered, and had their first scoreboard advantage since the opening minutes.

Up 42-40, Umatilla nearly closed out the game but a foul sent Irrigon senior Eric Carrillo to the charity stripe, where he hit both free throw attempts to keep the Knights alive.

The Vikings try at a game-winning shot in the final seconds was no good, which sent the game into overtime.

IHS	13	10	13	6	11	—	53
UHS	10	12	10	10	6	—	48

IRRIGON — A. Roa 15, J. Phillips 12, L. Covarrubia 9, K. Fleming 8, E. Carrillo 7, A. Gomez 2.
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