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BOONE, N.C. — App State Wrestling head coach *JohnMark Bentley* on Tuesday announced a 2023-24 schedule that features a difficult SoCon slate and nonconference dual matches against three opponents with top-10 national rankings, including two that are among the four ACC programs facing the Mountaineers this season.

NC State, North Carolina and Cornell are all coming to Boone, starting with the Friday night season opener against the Wolfpack on Nov. 3 in Varsity Gym and continuing with UNC's visit on Dec. 17. And like NC State (No. 3 national ranking to end 2022-23) and Cornell (No. 8), road opponent Virginia Tech finished last season in the top 10 of the NWCA Coaches Poll.

The Mountaineers return starters from seven of 10 weight classes following a 12-2 season in which they earned a No. 20 final national dual team ranking, secured a SoCon regular-season title with an 8-0 league record, posted a SoCon sweep by winning the conference tournament and had six wrestlers qualify to compete at the NCAA Championships.

To purchase season tickets, [buy directly online at AppStateSports.com](https://appstatesports.com), contact the ticket office at 828-262-7733 or visit the App State Athletics ticket office located at the Holmes Center.

Season tickets for the 10 regular-season competitions (with two doubleheaders and two tournaments) on App State Wrestling's home schedule are available for \$60 (adults). Single-event tickets will be available at a later time.

Families are encouraged to [sign up their children to become members of the Junior Mountaineer Kids Club](#), an exclusive club for children in eighth grade or below. The cost is just \$35 a year, and members receive free admission with their JMJC credential to all home wrestling duals as well as an App State merchandise pack that includes a T-shirt, clear bag, magnets and more. Families with multiple children receive a discounted membership fee after the first child.

In addition to annual tournaments like the Mountaineer Invitational (on Nov. 11) and the Appalachian Open (on Jan. 27), App State will welcome four SoCon league foes to Boone: The Citadel, VMI, Bellarmine and Gardner-Webb (regular-season finale in Varsity Gym on Feb. 25). There will be SoCon road trips to Presbyterian, Campbell (Feb. 2 against the 2022-23 runner-up), Chattanooga (Feb. 11 against the third-place finisher from 2022-23) and Davidson.

App State, Campbell and Chattanooga have claimed, in some order, the top three spots in the SoCon standings for eight straight years.

The SoCon Championship tournament will be held at the Holmes Center in Boone for the sixth straight year on Saturday, March 9. Kansas City, Mo., is the site of the 2024 NCAA Championships from March 21-23.

Following the Nov. 3 opener against NC State, App State will compete in four tournaments (The Citadel Open, Mountaineer Invitational, Keystone Classic in Philadelphia, Cliff Keen Invitational in Las Vegas) before hosting North Carolina on Sunday, Dec. 17. The Mountaineers won 19-16 against a ranked UNC team in Chapel Hill last season.

The new year will begin as always with the Southern Scuffle in Chattanooga, Tenn., before App State travels to Duke (Jan. 8) and Virginia Tech (Jan. 12) during the same ACC-centric week. A visit from The Citadel on Jan. 2 opens the SoCon schedule as part of a doubleheader capped by a match against Greensboro College.

App State ends January by facing Presbyterian and hosting the Appalachian Open before traveling to Buies Creek for a Friday dual at Campbell. The Mountaineers host VMI two days later and hit the road again the following weekend for a Sunday dual at Chattanooga.

The Mountaineers wrestle at Davidson on Feb. 15 before closing the regular season with the Feb. 18 doubleheader involving Bellarmine/Cornell and the Feb. 25 dual against Gardner-Webb. The App State-Cornell matchup will be the first-ever meeting between the Mountaineers and Big Red.

2023-24 App State Wrestling Schedule

Date	Time	Opponent/Event	Location
Nov. 3	7 p.m.	NC State	Boone, N.C.
Nov. 5	All Day	The Citadel Open	Charleston, S.C.
Nov. 11	All Day	Mountaineer Invitational	Boone, N.C.
Nov. 19	All Day	Keystone Classic	Philadelphia
Dec. 17	All Day	Cliff Keen Invitational	Las Vegas

Dec. 1/2	All Day	Jim Keen Invitational	Las Vegas
Dec. 17	3 p.m.	North Carolina	Boone, N.C.
Jan. 1/2	All Day	Southern Scuffle	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Jan. 8	5 p.m.	Duke	Durham, N.C.
Jan. 12	7 p.m.	Virginia Tech	Blacksburg, Va.
Jan. 21	2 p.m.	The Citadel*	Boone, N.C.
	3:30 p.m.	Greensboro College	Boone, N.C.
Jan. 22	6 p.m.	Presbyterian*	Simpsonville, S.C.
Jan. 27	All Day	Appalachian Open	Boone, N.C.
Feb. 2	TBA	Campbell*	Buies Creek, N.C.
Feb. 4	2 p.m.	VMI*	Boone, N.C.
Feb. 11	2 p.m.	Chattanooga*	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Feb. 15	TBA	Davidson*	Davidson, N.C.
Feb. 18	1 p.m.	Bellarmino*	Boone, N.C.
	3 p.m.	Cornell	Boone, N.C.
Feb. 25	2 p.m.	Gardner-Webb*	Boone, N.C.
March 9	All Day	SoCon Championships	Boone, N.C. (Holmes)
March 21-23	All Day	NCAA Championships	Kansas City, Mo.

* Denotes SoCon Dual

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