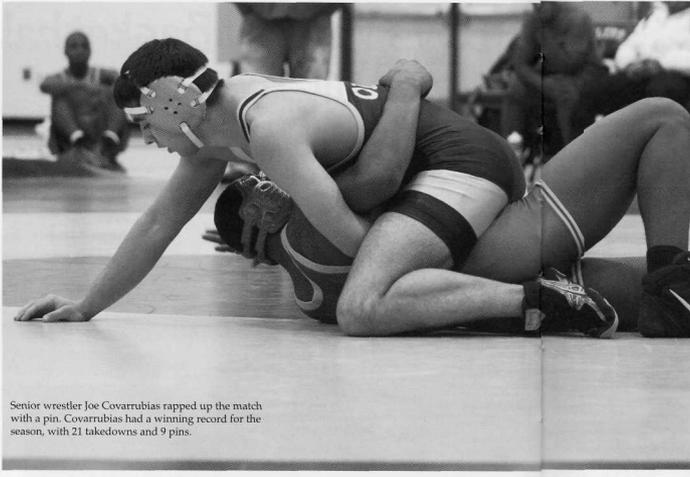
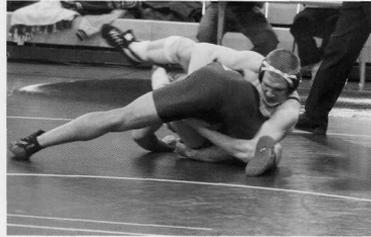


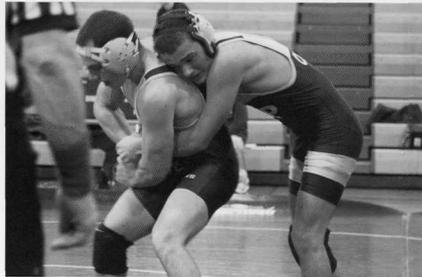
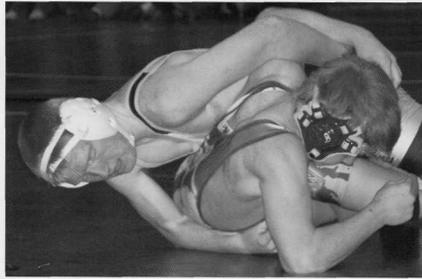
Freshman Danny Cashen fights his way through a tough match during districts. Danny was one of several freshmen that contributed to the team this season. Cashen was a state qualifier with 20 pins for the season.



Senior wrestler Joe Covarrubias rapped up the match with a pin. Covarrubias had a winning record for the season, with 21 takedowns and 9 pins.



Senior team captain Zach Carr finished the regular season with 27 pins, top for the team. Carr was one of the two state qualifiers. It would be Carr's second appearance at the state tournament in Joe Louis Arena.



One of several juniors that rounded out the team, Justin Cashen contributed 18 pins and a winning record for the season. Missing the state tournament was a heartbreaker for the ailing Cashen who has already made two appearances and finished 3rd last year.

One of the standout performers of the team was junior Kurt Kreiner. Kreiner is a three year member and has worked hard over the past three years to get to a point where he is a serious contender on the mat. Kreiner contributed 14 pins as well as a winning record for the Oilers. He will be a leader for the team next year.

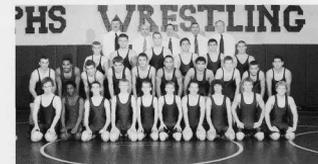
Oiler Wrestling

Although the stats weren't impressive, the varsity wrestling team had some strong meets and moments. With only four returning seniors, the freshmen stepped up and had a solid season. Senior Zach Carr and freshman Danny Cashen were the only two to make individual state competition. A staph infection sidelined many wrestlers including former state qualifier Justin Cashen. Prior to the illness, Cashen along with senior Joe Covarrubias and fellow junior Kurt Kreiner posted winning records. Another highlight on the season was freshman Ryan Elliott's undefeated conference record. Junior Tyler Merrill sacrificed and dropped from 215 to 189 for several meets and filled that weight class for the team. Not having a strong range in weight class and experience added to the team's lack of success. "The end of season was one of the high points, almost winning team districts at home and only losing by a few points proved that we were stronger than when we began the season" said junior and third year wrestler Connor Sembach.



Senior teammates Tyler Higgins, Kurt LaFever, Joe Covarrubias, Dexter Rupert, Zach Carr, and Auric Stressman.

"It has been a great four years and an honor to be a part of this team"
-Joe Covarrubias



Wrestling Front row: Justin Myshock, Jacob Lewis, Connor Sembach, Justin Cashen, Danny Cashen, Tom Szymula, Forrest Gregg, Eric Ecker, Ryan Elliott, Jonathan Johnson. Middle row: Dexter Rupert, Kurt LaFever, Zach Carr, Graham Vogel, Kurt Kreiner, Nick Hulce, Joe Covarrubias, Nicholas Clark, Casey Kennedy, Gabriel Owen. Back row: Matthew Barnum, Tyler Higgins, Steven Stressman, Justin Wilbur Overfield, Andrey Koptelov, Tyler Merrill. Coaches: Ron Elliott, Tyler Cline, Pat Boyd, Mike Covarrubias, Bruce Torgerson

Top: First year wrestler junior Nick Hulce.
Top Middle: Freshman stand-out Ryan Elliott.
Bottom Middle: Four year veteran senior Dexter Rupert.
Bottom: Senior Auric Stressman stepped up last year to fill the heavy weight spot for the team.