Coming off a dominating performance in the Region 5AAA wrestling tournament over the weekend, Wilson Central will send 11 athletes to the Division I State Wrestling Tournament at the Williamson County Agricultural Expo Arena.

The Wilson Central group will be joined by a pair of wrestlers from Mt. Juliet as action in the Round of 32 is set to begin on Thursday.

The Wildcats repeated as Region 5 champions, placing nine wrestlers in the tournament finals -- six of whom won championships at Cookeville High School. Wilson Central posted 223 team points, with Blackman second at 187 and Siegel third with 122.

Region champs included: Christian Cerrito (113), Nick Insalaco (120), Eddie Small (132), Austin Richard (138), Perry Baltz (182) and John Kramer (220).

Lane Dickeson (106), John Davidson (152) and Jacob Myers (170) placed second in their respective classes. Jonathan Hayes (126) and Bryson Hutchison (145) both advance to the state with fourth place regional finishes.

Hunter Ingram (22) of Mt. Juliet advances with a fourth place finish while teammate Danyon Edens (145) moves on with a third place finish.

Individual awards --
Small was voted Most Valuable Wrestler of the region tournament while Richard picked up the award for "best finals match". Wilson Central's John Kramer was named Region 5AAA Coach of the Year.

Round of 32 pairings --
Here's the Thursday matchups for the 13 local wrestlers.
106: Lane Dickeson, WC vs. Jacob McClure, Soddy-Daisy
113: Christian Cerrito, WC vs. Conner Gavlick, Maryville

120: Nick Insalaco, WC vs. Matt Meeks, East Hamilton
126: Jonathan Hayes, WC vs. Andrew Armstrong, Sullivan South
132: Eddie Small, WC vs. Matthew Richardson, Collinwood
138: Austin Richard, WC vs. Clay Cook, Clarsville
145: Danyon Edens, MJ vs. James Cleveland, Independence
145: Bryson Hutchison, WC vs. Jacob Freeman, Ravenwood
152: John Davidson, WC vs. Jaxson Cook, Millington
170: Jacob Myers, WC vs. Mike King, Beech
182: Perry Baltz, WC vs. Cameron Tarver, Collierville
220: Hunter Ingham, MJ vs. C.J. Baker, East Ridge
220: John Kramer, WC vs. Taren Welch, Montgomery Central.