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SOUTH BEND TO HOST USA WOMEN'S OLYMPIC WRESTLING TRAINING CAMP

Notre Dame, Ind. — The road to Tokyo travels through South Bend. The United States Women's Olympic Wrestling team will conduct their final training camp at Angela Athletic and Wellness Center located on the campus of Saint Mary's College prior to departing for Tokyo for the Summer Olympic Games. Athletes and staff will arrive on Sunday, June 27 and will depart on Wednesday, July 7.

The camp will include four of the six Olympians, the U-23 National Team and a number of training partners, coaches, and medical staff. In total, 35 people will be traveling to South Bend for a ten-day camp. Included in the count is <u>Sarah</u> <u>Hildebrandt</u>, a Granger, Ind. native and Penn High School graduate. Sarah will be participating at the 50KG weight class in the Olympics. "This is a fantastic opportunity for our community to play a small role in the Olympic dream," said Nick Kleva, sports market development manager at Visit South Bend Mishawaka.

The local media is invited to attend on June 29 and June 30 for the "full speed" tournament which is meant to simulate the Olympic competition. There will be access to the coaches and athletes after their matches. The schedule is as follows:

June 29: (all times Eastern)

11 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. round of 16 for weights: 50KG, 53KG, 57KG, 62KG, 68KG, 76KG

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Quarterfinals for the same weights

6:55 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Semifinals for the same weights

June 30: (all times Eastern)

9:20 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Gold Medal matches in all six weight classes

USA Wrestling is the National Governing Body for the Sport of Wrestling in the United States and, as such, is its representative to the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee. Simply, USA Wrestling is the central organization that coordinates amateur wrestling programs in the nation and works to create interest and participation in these programs.

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