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## Actions, not words

DES MOINES — Silence is golden. At least that's what Daniel Wieland hopes.

The East Buchanan 145-pounder isn't doing any interviews with the media this week at the state wrestling tournament. He's not trying to be a jerk; he just wants to concentrate entirely on his matches.

The strategy seems to be working fine. Wieland (42-0 and ranked No. 2) moved into today's semifinal round via a 12-3 thrashing of BGM's Devon Fraker in Thursday's quarterfinals.

The media implores you not to tell anyone else about this, Daniel.

"He's focused," said East Buchanan co-coach Dan Fox. "That's probably why he doesn't want to talk to anybody. He's going out and taking care of business."

Wieland won his first-round match Wednesday, 7-1, but was able to generate more offense against Fraker. He will face eighth-ranked Clay Welter of Don Bosco in the semis.

"He opened up more today," Fox said. "He picked up some nearfalls, picked one up there at the end. That just tells you he's not satisfied."

Record-setting pace

Wow.

That's about all you can say about Don Bosco's performance thus far. The Dons have their third consecutive Class 1A team title under wraps. The only question is if they'll break some tourney records along the way.

Through the quarterfinals, Don Bosco has 97 points and all 12 wrestlers alive, 10 in the semifinals. It is 24-2 here.

The Class 1A record for team points in a tournament is 158.5 by Lisbon in 1990. Council Bluffs Lewis Central has the all-class points record of 188.

### Move under scrutiny

Iowa City West's Dylan Carew has been a lightning rod for controversy this season. His use of a riding move in which he comes underneath an opponent's arm with a tight lock around the head has been criticized for chokehold potential.

He was penalized a point for an illegal hold while using it in his first-round win over No. 9 Tommy Mirocha of Davenport Central. The move was a point of emphasis with officials before the tournament.

"One of the officials brought it up in the rules meeting," said tourney supervisor of officials Bill Roths. "It all comes down to the safety of the wrestler."

Carew (39-4) seemed agitated by Thursday's ruling and attempted to discuss it with Roths after his win.

"It doesn't really matter," said West Coach Mark Reiland. "If he does it the right way, it isn't an issue ... He's got a lot of other stuff he can do. He can't let it be a distraction."

— K.J. Pilcher

Award winners

The Gazette's K.J. Pilcher will receive the Iowa High School Athletic Association's Media Award before Saturday night's finals session. Also receiving the award is Jim Magdefrau of Van Horne and the South Benton Star-Press.

This year's Wrestling Hall of Fame inductees are Chris Davis of Wapsie Valley, Dick Kennedy of Webster City, Dr. Jason Smith of Ankeny, Doug Schwab of Osage and Daryl Weber of Don Bosco.

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