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# More than just wrestling to Iowa City's Moore

By Damien Sordelett, USA TODAY

Meet Nate Moore, who through Feb. 14 was 43-0 this season for the West (Iowa City) wrestling team. The 18-year-old senior is a two-time state Class 3A champion and is wrestling in the state tournament in the 125-pound class this weekend (Feb. 13-16). He's 168-3 in his high school career and has signed to wrestle for the University of Iowa in the fall. He spoke recently with USA TODAY's Damien Sordelett.

**Question: What drives you to be the best in your weight class?**

**Answer:** "I just want to keep getting better at what I do. That's where my attitude has gotten me. I don't like to lose."

**Q: Why did you stay close to home and sign with the University of Iowa?**

**A:** "I like the coaching staff and it is a promising place to go. I like how the expectations are so high and the fans."

**Q: How much does wrestling run in your family?**

**A:** "My cousin wrestled at Iowa. My dad and his brothers wrestled as well."

**Q: What's your favorite wrestling move or technique?**

**A:** Front headlock, snap down moves

**Q: Favorite teacher?**

**A:** Ms. (Patricia) Burger, Algebra II

**Q: Pro wrestling or UFC (Ultimate Fighting Championship)?**

**A:** "UFC, because the guys in UFC are putting themselves on the line and it means more than fake wrestling. They are doing it more than for a paycheck."

**Q: What are your favorite hobbies?**

**A:** "I really enjoy hunting, fishing and shooting my bow and arrow with my dad."

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