



*JT Beirne SPF 126-lbs  
Nick Tekula Linden*



*Dom Natale SPF 152-lbs  
Jepthe Jean-Paul Irvington*

## Velez, Murray Win Region 3 Mat Crowns; Fuller 2nd; Barber, DiGiovanni, Cappello 3rd

(Iv), 4-1, in his 195-lb preliminary then had to face Frega, whom he pinned in the districts after trailing, 8-5. Van brunt recorded two takedowns and a re-

versal to claim a 6-4 decision. "I didn't want to make the same mistake I did in the districts. He goes right in on his shots. Tonight he had his head down and

I got the takedown. He didn't seem as good as he was in the districts, but I really wanted to win this one," Van brunt said.

His next bout would be against top-seeded Nick D'Uva (Parsippany Hills) in the semis, but his luck ran out when he was on the short side of a 17-9 decision. He then lost his wrestleback to Allan Nunez (Roselle Park).

Cougar Corey Birch was ready for action in his 152-lb preliminary and pinned Tanner Thomas (Su) in 3:12 with a single grapevine and Jacob's hook. Raider Dom Natale used his crafty legwork to subdue Irvington's (Iv) Jepthe Jean-Paul, 12-5, in his 152-lb preliminary. Both Birch and Natale were defeated in the quarterfinal wrestlebacks.

In the 126-lb preliminary, Raider JT Beirne pulled off a slick standing Gramby roll to roll past Alex Pollera (WH), 7-2. After losing to the top seed, Beirne

dropped an 11-2 decision to Linden's Nick Tekula. Blue Devil Jarek Gozdieski realized the importance of controlling from the top position to defeat Aarin Feliz

(Par) in a 6-5 overtime tiebreaker. Cougar heavyweight Jon ElKhoury eked out a 6-5 decision over Yianni Kostidakis

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*Matt Barber WF  
Brian Lapham SPF*



*Kevin Frega WF 195-lbs  
Stevan Webb Whippany Pk*