ITHACA, N.Y. -- The SUNY Cortland wrestling team is currently in fourth place out of 16 schools after the first day of competition at the season-opening Ithaca College Invitational. Springfield College leads the field with 105 points, followed by Delaware Valley College of Pennsylvania (92), The College of New Jersey (87.5), Cortland (76) and Ithaca (67).

Four Red Dragons wrestlers have advanced to the winner's bracket semifinals in their weight classes. Freshman Jaret Misener (Schoharie) is 3-0 at 149 pounds, including a 15-4 win over RIT's David Bisers in the opening round and a pair of 8-7 decisions. He will face second-seeded Bill Ivatts of Springfield on Saturday. Senior Mike Cox (Sayville) entered the tournament as the second seed at 157 pounds and won his first three matches. He pinned Lee Cotton of Western New England in 42 seconds and posted 6-0 and 6-2 victories in the next two rounds. He will match up with sixth-seeded Greg Iluria of The College of New Jersey on Saturday.

Two Cortland wrestlers have advanced to the semifinals at 197 pounds. Sophomore Ben Locke (Bainbridge/Bainbridge-Guilford), the fourth seed, won his first match by medical forfeit and pinned NYU's John Rysiedko in 1:58. His semifinal opponent will be top-seeded Rich Gildner of The College of New Jersey. Freshman Keith Wise (Fulton/G. Ray Bodley), who is unseeded, won all three of his matches, including two by major decision. He bested Cody Lightfoot of Norwich 12-4 in the first round and two matches later beat Rich Smith of Delaware Valley 10-2. He now draws second-seeded Andrew Helms of Delaware Valley in the semis.

Nine Red Dragons are still alive in their respective consolation brackets. They are: sophomore Jason Peck (Montgomery/Valley Central) at 125 pounds; freshman Mike Jimenez (Long Beach) and seventh-seeded freshman Jason Chase (Rush/Rush-Henrietta) at 133 pounds; freshman Jack Holmgren (Patchogue/Patchogue-Medford) at 141 pounds; sophomore fifth-seed Matt Slate (Gouverneur) at 157 pounds; sophomore Bryon Fredenburg (Owego/Tioga) at 174 pounds; senior Jake Armstrong (Walton) at 184 pounds; and senior Dan Root (Medina) and senior Sean Finnegan (Warsaw) at 197 pounds. Root and Finnegan have to face each other in their first match on Saturday.

2002 ITHACA WRESTLING INVITATIONAL -- TEAM SCORES AFTER DAY 1 (Nov. 8):

1) Springfield (SPR) ................. 105
2) Delaware Valley (DV) ............ 92
3) The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) .... 87.5
4) Cortland (CORT) ............... 76
5) Ithaca (ITH) .......................... 67
6) Norwich (NOR) ................. 59.5
7) Johnson & Wales (JW) .......... 51
8) Oswego (OSW) ................. 49.5
9) Roger Williams (RW) ............. 45.5
10) Centenary, NJ (CEN) .......... 40.5
11) Hunter (HUNT) ................. 40
12) Rochester Inst. of Tech. (RIT) .... 39.5
13) Coast Guard Academy (CGA) .... 36.5
14) New York University (NYU) .... 35.5
15) Gettysburg (GETT) .......... 33
16) Western New England (WNEC) ... 20

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CORTLAND RESULTS at Day 1 of Ithaca Wrestling Invitational (Nov. 8, 2002)

125 pounds

**Jason Peck**
Def. Brian Dempsey (TCNJ), 5-4
Lost to Brian Zane (NOR), Pin 5:03
Won by tech. fall vs. Angel Marguez (WNEC), 15-0 (3:57)
Won by major decision vs. Bill Funk (Hunter), 12-1
NEXT: vs. (1) James Marrero (TCNJ)

133 pounds

**Mike Jimenez**
Lost to (8) Anthony Montes (JW), 12-2
Def. Bryan Gammons (ITH), 9-3
Won by tech. fall vs. Josh Carawksi (NOR), 19-3 (5:32)
Def. Peter Marques (SPR), 5-1
NEXT: vs. (5) Tim Bernaudt (CGA)

(7) **Jason Chase**
Pinned Jeff Gacta (CEN), 3:11
Def. Adam Uffelman (SPR), 3-0
Lost to (2) Tenk Agyeman (OSW), Pin 5:41
NEXT: vs. Josh Dexter (OSW)

141 pounds

**Chris Arnold** (Eliminated)
Won by major decision vs. Grant Condon (GETT), 15-4
Lost to (6) Joel Jeannite (SPR), Pin 1:59
Lost to Peter Marques (SPR), 11-9 (sd)

149 pounds

**Jaret Misener**
Won by major decision vs. David Bisers (RIT), 15-4
Def. Brian Radick (CGA), 8-7
Def. Kyle Ibbitson (GETT), 8-7
NEXT: Semifinals vs. (2) Bill Ivatts (SPR)

157 pounds

(2) **Mike Cox**
Pinned Lee Cotton (WNEC), 0:42
Def. Devin Schibi (JW), 6-0
Def. Matt Champion (OSW), 6-2
NEXT: Semifinals vs. (6) Greg Iluria (TCNJ)

(5) **Matt Slate**
Def. Brian Murphy (ITH), 3-2
Lost to Scott Faivre (SPR), Pin 3:50
Pinned James Carmichael (NOR), 3:00
Def. Chris Weiser (CGA), Medical Forfeit
NEXT: vs. (3) Casey Beath (ITH)

Ben Hamm (Eliminated)
Lost to Greg Tiecnay (CEN), 16-2
Lost to Adam Roth (ITH), 2-0

165 pounds

(5) **Brian Hanselman** (Eliminated)
Def. Scott Horton (SPR), 8-3
Lost to Joe Amaifitano (HUNT), 8-4
Lost to Keith Kubicek (CEN), Medical Forfeit

Chris Langer (Eliminated)
Lost to Chris Gebbie (RW), 6-0
Lost to Matt Sambucco (SPR), 10-0

Josh Brant (Eliminated)
Lost to Scott Honecker (ITH), 11-10
Lost to Aaron Fuchs (GETT), 12-2

174 pounds

Bryon Fredenburg
Lost to (7) Paul Vaccaro (TCNJ), 3-1
Pinned Lawrence Wu (NOR), 5:30
Def. Jerad Melito (SPR), 3-1 (sd)
Pinned Nick Serta (HUNT), 3:03
NEXT: vs. (6) Scott Koser (CGA)

**Mike Orfano** (Eliminated)
Pinned Jascha Jackson (RIT), 5:00
Lost to (1) Tim Ruberg (JW), 18-6
Lost to Matt Dye (HUNT), 12-8

Anthony Cohen (Eliminated)
Won by technical fall vs. Tom King (WNEC), 26-8 (6:00)
Lost to (6) Scott Koser (CGA), Pin 5:48
Lost to Vinnie Leto (WNEC), Medical Forfeit

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184 pounds

Jake Armstrong
Won by major decision vs. Joseph Guicheteau (TCNJ), 8-0
Lost to (4) Silver Oghayone (NOR), 13-2
Pinned Dave Dion (RW), 1:50
Pinned Josh Bogle (CGA), 4:58
NEXT: vs. (6) Jeff Edelstein (ITH)

197 pounds

(4) Ben Locke
Def. Luke Morris (DVC), Medical Forfeit
Pinned John Rysiedko (NYU), 1:58
NEXT: Semifinals vs. (1) Rich Gildner (TCNJ)

Keith Wise
Won by major decision vs. Cody Lightfoot (NOR), 12-4
Def. Ed Parra (HUNT), 7-4
Won by major decision vs. Rich Smith (DVC), 10-2
NEXT: Semifinals vs. (2) Andrew Helms (DVC)

Dan Root
Lost to (1) Rich Gildner (TCNJ), Pin 2:10
Pinned Cody Lightfoot (NOR), 5:04
Def. Ben O'Loughlin (CGA), 7-4
NEXT: vs. Sean Finnegan (CORT)

Sean Finnegan
Pinned Dan Montgomery (JW), 5:01
Lost to (2) Andrew Helms (DVC), Pin 1:59
NEXT: vs. Dan Root (CORT)

275 pounds

(4) Jason Lichtenstein (Eliminated)
Lost to Jeremy Calkins (OSW), 4-2
Def. Stephen Babcock (DVC), 8-2
Lost to (7) Kevin O'Neil (RW), Pin 0:35

Joe Congero (Eliminated)
Lost to Erik Wisecup (ITH), Pin 1:09
Def. John Zang (DVC), 4-3
Lost to (9) Phil McGeough (SPR), 8-1