

Week 1 – February 26, 2024

Welcome to the 2024 Boys Tennis Season

The time is here for another season of boys' tennis. Weekly newsletters will be sent to coaches and posted on the KSHSAA tennis website. If you have questions throughout the season or unusual situations that arise to include in this newsletter, my email is ssmith@kshsaa.org.

First Day of Competition

The first day competition can be scheduled is Thursday, March 7, 2024.

Days of Competition – Rule 41-2-4

High School: No student representing a member school shall participate in more than EIGHT days of interschool competition during a season, exclusive of regional, sub-state and state tournaments.

- a. Two dual meets may be substituted for one day of tournament competition provided no loss of instructional time would take place for competition and/or travel.
- b. Schools are encouraged to schedule as many quadrangular or smaller events as possible. It is recommended these events start after school hours.
- c. On those days when school time is used, only four matches or tournaments may start prior to 3 p.m. C.T.

Middle/Junior High School: No student representing a member school shall participate in more than SEVEN days of interschool competition during a season.

Learning Opportunities

To receive the newsletters distributed by the USTA High School Committee and webinar opportunities, please use the following link (<http://t.email.usta.com/lp/ustaCTAP>) and subscribe to 'School Newsletter' found under the 'For Coaches & Organizers' heading for middle school and high school team coaching news and tips. Additional opportunities are available using the registration form.

Coaching Opportunities

On page 25 of the Tennis Manual, under Time Issues #3, here is the clarification on when coaches are allowed to coach.

- b. Changing ends = 90 seconds max
- c. End of a set = 2 minutes max
- d. Split sets = 10 minutes max (shorter if players agree)
- e. Before tiebreak = 90 seconds max (6-all or 8-all pro set)
- f. Before super tiebreak = 3 minutes max

All times listed above must be adhered to by the one (1) coach that is salaried by the school.

Student Manager Guidelines

School tennis players who serve as team managers during the opposite tennis season must confine their duties to traditional managerial tasks (i.e., keeping statistics, organizing equipment, pre- and post-practice/match duties, etc.) They may not hit (play) in practice as this would be a violation of the KSHSAA Rule 30, Seasons of Activity.

2024 STATE TOURNAMENT HOSTS

The state tournaments will take place on Friday and Saturday, May 10-11, 2024. Thank you to our host sites and schools that are willing to make these events happen for our kids! We are working on confirming the site for 4A State Tennis and hope to have that updated as soon as possible.

- **6A Wichita-Riverside Tennis Complex**
 - Host: Wichita-North HS (Michael Ghram and Sarah Killenberg)
- **5A Andover District Tennis Complex**
 - Host: Andover HS (Clint Cornelsen and Mark Cross)
- **4A TBD**
- **3-2-1A Prairie Village-Harmon Park Tennis Complex**
 - Host: Prairie Village-Kansas City Christian HS (Josh Poteet)

USEFUL LINKS

KSHSAA Tennis Website: [KSHSAA Tennis](#)

KSHSAA Tennis Manual: [Tennis.pdf \(kshsaa.org\)](#)

USTA: [USTA](#)

USTA Newsletter Registration: t.email.usta.com/lp/ustaCTAP