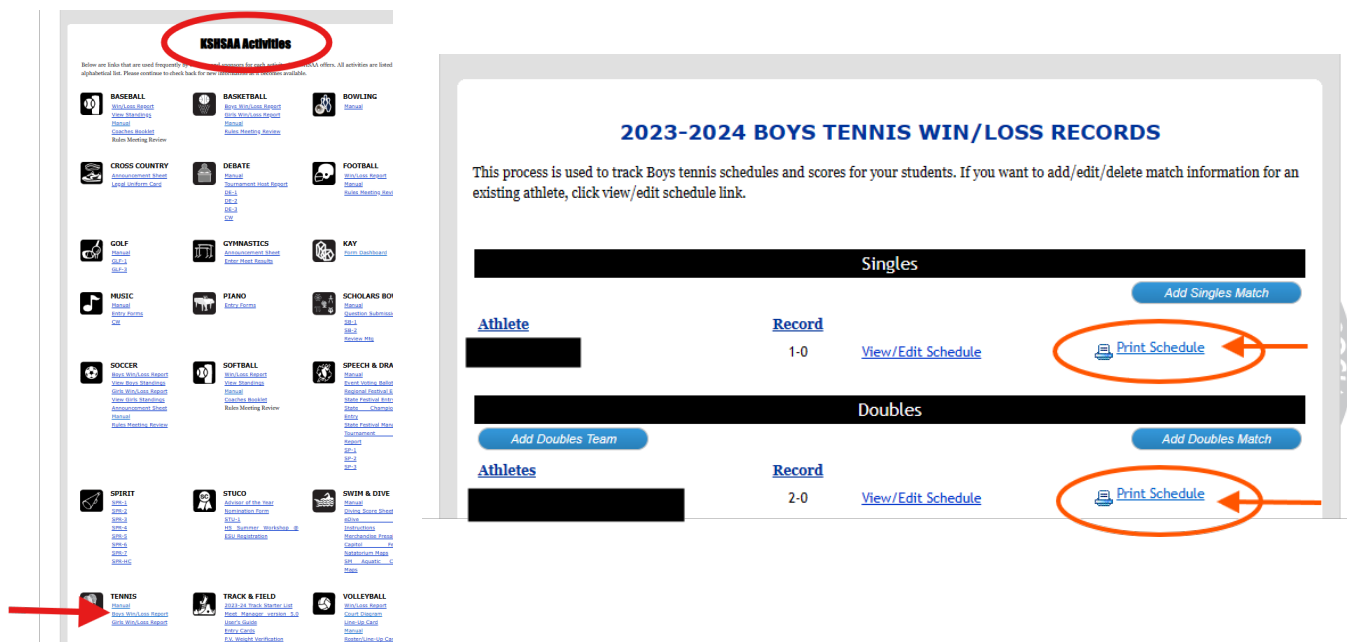


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### NEW- Win/Loss Records (Printing for Regionals)

It is best to print your athletes’ records using the printable view on the “school side” of the KSHSAA website versus the records on the “public side” of the website.

Coaches and/or ADs should log in to the KSHSAA website, go to “Activities,” then click on “Boys Win/Loss Report.” You can print your athlete(s) schedules from here which are more user friendly for coaches for the seeding process.



### Weather Forecast for Regionals

In keeping with tradition, rain is in the forecast for Regional Tennis week! Host schools will communicate with visiting schools regarding the weather forecast for this week. ADs – Please keep your communication lines open this week as host schools will work to keep everyone informed. THANK YOU to our host sites and the time put into planning and preparing for Regional Week!

### REMINDER - Preparation for Regional Tournaments

In preparation for regional tournament play, participating schools must do the following:

1. **Regional Entry Form TNS-2:** Hand deliver KSHSAA Form TNS-2 (place in a sealed envelope) to your regional manager the day of your coaches meeting, prior to the seeding of the tournament.
2. **Tennis Balls:** Information on the tennis balls used for regional and state tournaments is in your Tennis Manual on page 23. For regional play, teams are to bring one container of new tennis balls per entry (singles/doubles). A school entering 2 singles and 2 doubles (max) = 4 cans of tennis balls.

3. Player Season Records: Throughout the season all coaches are to be posting season competition results on the KSHSAA online program. Coaches are required to bring copies of these completed records for all tournament entries. Bring 1 copy for each coach plus the tournament manager.

### **REMINDER - Seeding Regional Tournaments**

The Seeding Procedure and Seeding Criteria is described in the 2023-2024 KSHSAA Tennis Manual on page 28. Please be reminded:

**\*\*Coaches must always keep in mind the contest essentially belongs to the contestants. Coaches should seed their players and vote in the most ethical and fair manner to maintain the integrity of the seeding procedure for all athletes, not just their own players.**

1. You may not concede a seed.
2. If a coach wishes to have a player(s) considered for a seed between numbers one and eight (or half of the tournament entries in the classifications with more than eight schools per regional tournament), they must announce this at the beginning of the seeding procedures.
3. Six positions will be seeded in both singles and doubles. Seeds seven through half of the entries, including nine and 10, will be offered if any coach so wishes.
4. Once a player is put up for a seed, he or she is automatically up for all following seeds through #8. If a coach initially believes his/her player deserves a top 8 seed, the coach WILL NOT be able to pull them out of the seeding procedure.
5. Only the coach of a player or team may put up that player or team for a seed. However, if a player or team is not represented due to unforeseen circumstances, the player or team may be put up for a seed by another coach present.

### **Seeding Criteria (pgs 28-29 in Tennis Manual)**

1. **DIRECT WINS** - In the case of split victories, the following guidelines will be followed: a. If there is an even amount of wins, then the most recent win has precedence, no matter the length of the match.
2. **INDIRECT WINS** (wins and losses to common opponents) a. If three entries are up for the same seed and one entry has direct and/or indirect wins over the other two entries in contention, NO VOTE between the entries is needed and directs/indirects will be honored. It is possible a vote may be needed between the other two entries. b. If there is an uneven split (i.e., 2-1) then the most wins take precedence, not necessarily the last win.
3. Coaches should vote in the most ethical and fair manner to maintain the integrity of the seeding procedure for all the athletes, not just their own players. Coaches with more than one entry per singles or doubles will have two votes. Voting will be by all coaches who feel qualified with the following information. (You do not have to have seen the players to vote and coaches may abstain from voting.)
4. The seeding guidelines may be suspended to allow for a fairer seeding in a situation where a coach proposes an extenuating circumstance and a majority of the coaches present agree to this circumstance. a. After seeded entries are placed, every non-seeded entry will be drawn as follows: one entry at a time per school for the entire bracket with multiple entry schools remaining going first. b. When all schools have drawn one spot, the process is repeated. c. Players from the same school may be seeded in the same quarter bracket since teammates seeded in the same quarter and advancing to play one another guarantee one a berth at state, and the loser of the match has a consolation match and another attempt to qualify.

### **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](mailto:t.email.usta.com/lp/ustaCTAP)