

Week 4 – March 25, 2025

CONDUCT/SPORTSMANSHIP

Tennis players and coaches are always to follow tennis etiquette. Please show consideration for all players and the tennis facility which you are using. The KSHSAA follows USTA guidelines/policies regarding sportsmanship.

Sportsmanship is the foundation of tennis. It is essential to tennis as a welcoming, open, and inclusive sport. Sports integrity follows a boundless set of core values and attributes that enrich the lives of all who participate.

- Understanding and following the rules
- Being fair
- Acting with character
- Respecting others
- Winning with humility and losing with grace
- Maintaining composure
- Being accountable for one's own actions
- Giving others the benefit of the doubt

Sportsmanship Emphasis for Week 4: GRUNTING

From the USTA 'Friend at Court 2025': A player should avoid grunting and making other loud noises. Grunting and other loud noises may bother not only opponents but also players on adjacent courts. In an extreme case, an opponent or a player on an adjacent court may seek the assistance of an official. KSHSAA Addition: If an official is not present, players may ask their coach to speak with the tournament director.

TIME ISSUES

See page 25 in the KSHSAA Tennis Manual to review time issues. These must be regulated throughout the regular season by coaches and tournament administrators. Time will be regulated at the State Tennis Tournament by the State Tournament Official – start good practices now.

ALL PLAY IS CONTINUOUS

- a. Between points – 20 seconds max (players only)
- b. Changing ends – 90 seconds max
- c. End of a set – 2 minutes max
- d. Split sets – 10 minutes max (or shorter if both players agree)
- e. Before tiebreak – 90 seconds max (6-all or 8-all pro set; coaching is allowed before tiebreak)
- f. Before Super Tiebreak – 3 minutes max

STUDENT MANAGER GUIDELINES

See page 20 in the KSHSAA Tennis Manual to review 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 stats, organizing equipment, pro- and post-practice match duties).
THEY MAY NOT HIT (PLAY) IN PRACTICE.

REMINDERS:

2025 BOYS' TENNIS CLASSIFICATIONS

[2025 Boys' Tennis Classifications](#) - Finalized

-Regional assignments will be posted April 1, 2025, per the KSHSAA Tennis Manual.

STATE TENNIS HOSTS NEEDED FOR FALL 2025 AND SPRING 2026

If your school is interested in hosting a state tournament in the Fall of 2025 or the Spring of 2026, please reach out to Sarah Smith immediately.

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2025 STATE TOURNAMENT HOSTS

The state tournaments will take place on Friday and Saturday, May 16-17, 2025. Thank you to our host sites and schools that are willing to make these events happen for our kids!

- **6A Junction City-Bluejay Tennis Facility**
 - Host: Junction City HS (Chris Bopenhagen & Matt Micheel)
- **5A Salina Tennis Center**
 - Host: Salina South HS (Ryan Stuart & Kendra Maples)
- **4A Winfield-T.H. Vaughan Tennis Center**
 - **Wellington HS** (Elly Johnson)
- **3-2-1A Topeka-Kosover Tennis Center**
 - Host: Lawrence-Bishop Seabury Academy (Brian Rios)

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