



# Week 6 – April 7, 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.

# Sportsmanship Emphasis for Week 6: MAKING CALLS

From the <u>USTA 'Friend at Court 2025'</u>: A ball touching any part of the line is good. If any part of a ball touches a line, the ball is good. A ball 99% out is still 100% good. A player shall not call a ball out unless the player clearly sees space between where the ball hits and a line. Any ball that cannot be called out is considered to be good. A player may not claim a let based on not seeing a ball. It is each player's responsibility to call all balls landing on, or aimed at, the player's side of the net. If a ball cannot be called out with certainty, it is good.

### **REGIONAL ASSIGNMENTS**

Regional assignments may be found on the KSHSAA Tennis website or by click on this <u>LINK</u>. Thank you to our host schools!

Per the KSHSAA Tennis Manual – pg 28, the determination for a one-day or two-day regional are based on the following:

- -SITE HAS <u>8 OR MORE</u> TOURNAMENT COURTS AT ONE SITE In classifications with 36 or fewer schools (max of 18 or fewer entries in each category singles, doubles at each site, a one-day regional tournament will take place.
- -SITE HAS <u>FEWER THAN 8</u> TOURNAMENT COURTS AT ONE SITE In classifications with 37 or more schools, a two-day tournament will be held.

#### 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). They may not hit/play in practice as this would be a violation of KSHSAA Rule 30, Seasons of Activity.

See page 20 in the KSHSAA Tennis Manual for full language regarding this policy.

# **REMINDERS:**

### 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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## **DEFAULTS - NEW RULES**

Defaults will be treated as a loss and will be used in seeding processes (only for directs and NOT for indirects). The athlete will not be eligible to participate in the remainder of the tournament. If the default is determined to be a medical default by a medical advisory team (coach, tournament manager, onsite medical personnel), the medical default will not be counted in seeding. If the athlete is cleared and determined healthy enough to continue play by the medical advisory team, the athlete may do so. Retired matches will be used in seeding (only as a direct). See page 21 in the KSHSAA Tennis Manual for full language regarding this policy.

### **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 Bogenhagen & 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-Kossover Tennis Center
  - Host: Lawrence-Bishop Seabury Academy (Brian Rios)

#### **USEFUL LINKS**

KSHSAA Tennis Website: KSHSAA Tennis

KSHSAA Tennis Manual: Tennis.pdf (kshsaa.org)

USTA: <u>USTA</u>

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

USTA Friend at Court 2025: 2025-friend-at-court.pdf