



May 23, 2018

TO: ATHLETIC DIRECTORS AND TENNIS COACHES OF CLASS 1A SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING IN STATE TEAM TENNIS

RE: SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

Dear Athletic Director and Tennis Coach:

Congratulations on qualifying for the IHSAA State Team Tennis Tournament on May 29, 2018. The State Team Tennis Tournament for Class 1A will be held at Waveland Tennis Courts, 4822 Observatory Road, Des Moines. Indoor facilities have been arranged at the Knapp Tennis Center on the Drake University Campus, if necessary. Complete information about state team tennis, including links to maps, is on the IHSAA website at the following link – <http://www.iahsaa.org/tennis/2018-substate-tennis-information/>

All teams should arrive at Waveland Tennis Courts, 4822 Observatory Road, Des Moines no later than 7:45am, regardless of the weather conditions. Stuart Dusenberry and Shawn Petersen, Atlantic, will be the meet managers.

All players should be sure to include indoor shoes, with non-marking soles, as part of their gear for state competition due to the possibility of indoor play.

The state team series line-up must be the same as the one submitted for sub-state & the quarterfinals of state team tennis, except due to injury, illness, or other excuse verified by a school administrator. Line-ups & score sheets will be prepared for the meet, distributed at the meet, and can only be changed on the day of the meet with validated permission.

If a player is unable to participate in singles competition due injury, illness, or school administrator's validated excuse all team members move up, rather than substituting for the injured or ill player. *Example: If the #3 singles player is absent, #4, #5, #6 move up and #7 now becomes #6.* A substitute must be listed on the line-up form to be used in the tournament.

If a player is unable to participate in doubles competition due injury, illness, or school administrator's validated excuse there is no realignment of players. A player is simply substituted for the absent player. *Example: If #1 & #3 are playing as part of a doubles team and #3 is unable to compete, player #7 would take the place of #3.* There is no realigning of doubles teams. A substitute must be listed on the line-up form to be used in the tournament.

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Once a substitution has been made, the line-up stays the same for the remainder of the day.

The time schedule for Class 1A State Team Tennis is as follows:

Tuesday, May 29

No later than 7:45am All teams arrive at Waveland Tennis Courts.

8:00am Team pictures.

8:15am Coaches meeting. Play will begin immediately following the coach's meeting. Coaches, please have your players ready at that time.

Championship and consolation finals will take place one hour after the completion of the last match in semifinal play.

Awards will be presented to all four teams at the conclusion of all play.

There are no concessions at this site so teams are encouraged to bring plenty of fluids and food for breaks.

All scoring for the championship bracket of sub-state team tennis will be two out of three sets (*any third set in sub-state championship round competition is played as a full set, NOT a 10-point match tie-break*), no-ad scoring, 7-point match tie-break.

Consolation play (3rd & 4th), will be two out of three sets, no-ad scoring, 7-point match tie-break. However, a 10-point match tie-break will be played in lieu of any 3rd set.

As per the Tennis Coaches Advisory Committee recommendation, the semi-finals and finals of sub-state team tennis competition end when either team scores the fifth team point.

I wish you and your players the best at the State Tournament. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Alan Beste
Executive Director