



IOWA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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TO: ATHLETIC DIRECTORS AND HEAD BOYS' TENNIS COACHES

RE: BOYS' TENNIS SEASON

Dear Athletic Director and Head Boys' Tennis Coach:

This information should assist you as you are in the early stages of the tennis season.

ONLINE TENNIS RULES MEETING REQUIREMENT

The online tennis rules meeting is available 24 hours a day now through March 29. The tennis rules meeting was prepared jointly by the IHSAA and IGHSAAU and contains information about both boys' and girls' tennis. **Remember, a head boys' tennis coach who does not view the online rules meeting will not be allowed to coach in any IHSAA post-season tennis competition. This includes individual and team competition.**

For those who have not viewed the online rules meeting, here is a link - https://apps.iahsaa.org/secure/tnrulesmeeting_start.php

The online rules meeting also counts as one renewal credit for any coach who needs to renew their coaching authorization with the Board of Educational Examiners.

2018 REGULAR SEASON TENNIS MANUAL

<http://www.iahsaa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/2018-Regular-Season-Tennis-Manual.pdf>

The manual contains information on practice facilities, meet formats, line up cards, coaching opportunities, muscle cramping, sportsmanship and more. Please take time to review this information.

SCHOLARSHIP RULE

Students who failed a class in a prior grading period and have not served their 30-calendar day period of ineligibility, start their 30-calendar days on March 26. Those students will become eligible again on April 25 at 12:01 AM.

MANDATORY QUIKSTATS REPORTING FOR TENNIS

Go to <http://www.quikstatsiowa.com/> and click on "School Login" located in the blue header to enter your roster and create your schedule. If you do not know your login information, please see your school's athletic director or Amy McNace, my administrative assistant, at amcnace@iahsaa.org or 515-432-2011.

Reporting individual match scores and team scores is mandatory. Reporting dateline dates are 3:00pm on Tuesday, **April 17** and Tuesday, **May 8**. All varsity meets competed in through the previous Saturday of each reporting date need to be included. A link to a tutorial on how to report the individual and team scores for your players will be on our web site the week of March 26.

The penalty for failure to enter individual match scores and team scores on time is:

First Offense – A letter/e-mail to the head coach from the IHSAA sport administrator giving 3 days to comply with the mandate;

Second Offense – A letter to the athletic director with a copy to the principal and superintendent from the IHSAA executive director, giving 3 days to comply with the mandate;

Third Offense – The IHSAA member school's expense allowances will be withheld by the IHSAA in the sport in which the third offense occurred.

INFORMATIONAL LINKS - The following links will provide information needed for 2018 regular season tennis.

Discussion Points for Pre-meet Meeting with Tennis Coaches and Players

http://www.iahsaa.org/tennis/Coach_Discussion_Points.pdf

Tennis Spectator Behavior Expectations

http://www.iahsaa.org/tennis/Spectator_Behavior_Expectations.pdf

USTA – The Code: The Players' Guide for Un-officiated Matches

https://www.usta.com/content/dam/usta/pdfs/2015_Code.pdf

USTA – Friend at Court - 2018

https://www.usta.com/content/dam/usta/pdfs/20180119_2018FAC-full.links.pdf#

NFHS Coaching Tennis Online Course

<https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61058/coaching-tennis>

USTA – Helpful Hints for Improving Play and Knowledge of the Rules

<http://www.usta.com/Improve-Your-Game/>

USTA No-Cut Tennis Program

<http://www.usta.com/Youth-Tennis/Schools/HighSchool/>

Best wishes for a successful season. If you have any questions, or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me or a member of the IHSAA Tennis Advisory Committee. For your information, the Tennis Advisory Committee members are: Joe Judge, Albia; Randy Daniels, Ankeny; Jeff Ehrhardt, Clarke, Osceola; Karl Stubben, Epworth, Western

Dubuque; Jared Feddersen, Fort Dodge; Craig Ihnen, Class 1A State Meet Manager, Ex-officio member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan Beste".

Alan Beste
Executive Director