

Idaho High School Activities Association

2026

State Tennis Manual



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This manual has been prepared to provide information for IHSAA State Tennis. Although intended as a guideline to establish uniformity, it specifically addresses state tournament rules and regulations.



Welcome

Congratulations! The Idaho High School Activities Association welcomes your school to the 2026 State Tennis Championships. This event is the culmination of countless hours of dedicated training by over 1100 outstanding Idaho student-athletes and 64 boys and 63 girls tennis teams. We hope it will be an enjoyable and rewarding experience for all participants. Thanks go to the tournament officials, coaches, participants, parents, fans, management and member schools who work diligently to make this year's tournament a successful event.

Good Luck to all Participants!

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PRE-TOURNAMENT SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITIES

Rosters and Team Pictures

- ✓ Dairy West sweatshirt orders are to be submitted on the same on-line form at www.idhsaa.org
SWEATSHIRTS ARE FOR PARTICIPANTS ONLY
 - Under the “Schools” tab CLICK “Rosters”
 - Log in with Username and Password used to update school directory
 - Select appropriate activity
 - Verify School Details – If changes are needed; CLICK “Edit My School” If correct; CLICK “My School is Correct”
 - Submit Sweatshirt Order – The total number of shirts requested must be no more than the number of qualified participants. * **To purchase additional sweatshirts, contact Ben at McU Sports**
ben@mcusports.com
 - SUBMIT FORM

- ✓ **Tournament Seeding – Update all player matches on TennisReporting.com by Sunday May 10th**

PRE-TOURNAMENT COACHES MEETING

It is important that all schools be represented at the pre-tournament coaches meeting. Team packets, coach badges and sweatshirts will be distributed at the meeting.

Date: Thursday May 14th

Time: 6:00 p.m. (mountain time)

Place: IHSAA office – 8011 Ustick, Boise

SITES / MANAGERS

6A Appleton Tennis Center, 1607 W. Cesar Chavez Lane, Boise
Timberline High School, 701 East Boise Avenue, Boise
Fort Boise Tennis Courts, 155 E. Garrison, Boise
Julia Davis Park, 700 S Capitol Blvd., Boise
Manager: Ted Reynolds

5A Boise Racquet & Swim Club, 1116 N. Cole Road, Boise
Bishop Kelly High School, 7009 Franklin Rd, Boise
Borah High School, 6001 West Cassia Street, Boise
Manager: Pat Coffey

4A Ridgevue High School, 18800 Madison Road, Nampa
Owyhee High School, 3650 N. Owyhee Storm Ave., Meridian
Manager: Conlin Coburn

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2026 REPRESENTATION

<u>6A</u>		<u>5A</u>		<u>4A</u> (13-team draw)	
Dist. I	2	Dist. I-II	2	Dist. I-II	5
Dist. III	10	Dist. III	4	Dist. III	5
Dist. V-VI	4	Dist. IV-V	4	Dist. IV-V-VI	4
		Dist. V	2		
		Dist. VI	4		

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Matches are assigned approximate times. If the tournament runs behind, managers may elect to revert to a "followed by" format. Players and coaches are responsible for checking the tournament's progress before leaving the site during a break. Players must be available at least 30 minutes prior to their assigned match time (except first match of the day) in case adjustments are necessary. Play begins at 8:00am both days. (First call 7:45am)

6A Schedule

- Girls Singles at Julia Davis Park
- Boys Singles at Appleton Tennis Center
- Girls & Boys & Mixed Doubles will be played at Timberline HS and Ft. Boise Courts
- All Consolation finals will be played Saturday at Appleton Tennis Center at approximately 1:00 p.m.
- All Championship finals will be played Saturday at Appleton Tennis Center at approximately 2:30 p.m.

First Round Matches

Timberline HS	Boys Doubles - 8:00	Girls Doubles - 9:30	Mixed Doubles - 11:00
Julia Davis	Girls Singles - Top Half of Bracket - 8:00		Bottom Half of Bracket - 9:30
Appleton	Boys Singles - Top Half of Bracket - 8:00		Bottom Half of Bracket - 9:30
Fort Boise	Boys Doubles Matches 9-12 @ 10:30		Girls Doubles Matches 9-12 @ 12:00
	Mixed Doubles Matches 9-12 @ 1:30		

5A Schedule

- Girls Singles at Boise Racquet & Swim Club
- Boys Singles at Boise Racquet and Swim Club
- Mixed Doubles at Borah HS
- Girls & Boys Doubles at Bishop Kelly High School
- All Consolation finals will be played Saturday at Boise Racquet & Swim Club at approximately 1:00 p.m.
- All Championship finals will be played Saturday at Boise Racquet & Swim Club at approximately 2:30 p.m.

First Round Matches

Boise Racquet & Swim	Boys Singles - 8:00	Girls Singles - 9:30
Bishop Kelly HS	Girls Doubles - 8:00	Boys Doubles - 9:30
Borah HS	Mixed Doubles - Top Half of Bracket - 8:00	Bottom Half of Bracket - 9:30

4A Schedule

- Girls & Boys Singles at Ridgevue High School
- Boys & Mixed Doubles at Owyhee High School
- Girls Doubles at Ridgevue High School
- All Consolation finals will be played Saturday at Ridgevue HS at approximately 12:00 p.m.
- All Championship finals will be played Saturday at Ridgevue HS at approximately 2:00 p.m.

First Round Matches

Ridgevue HS	Boys Singles - 8:00	Girls Singles - 8:00	Girls Doubles - 9:30
Owyhee HS	Boys Doubles - 8:00	Mixed Doubles - 9:30	

STATE TOURNAMENT GENERAL RULES & PROCEDURES

1. The state tournament consists of five events: Boys and Girls Singles, Boys and Girls Doubles, Mixed Doubles. A player may enter only one event.
2. USTA rules of play will be followed, except as modified by IHSAA rules and regulations. Single Sticks will be used when available at state facilities.
3. Tournament management and USTA officials are responsible for ensuring that matches are played under conditions which are consistent and fair to all players. USTA officials will monitor play at each site if possible.
4. Matches will be assigned approximate times. Players shall report at least 30 minutes prior to the assigned match time and are responsible for checking the tournament's progress before leaving the site during a break.
5. Two new balls will be provided for all matches. If supply is sufficient, new balls will be provided for third sets.
6. Coaching is permitted by an official school coach (as designated by the local Board of Trustees) during allowable side changes (max time: 1 ½ minutes) and during the interim of split sets. Coaches are not permitted inside the fence at outside courts unless requested for monitoring line calls. One official school coach may sit courtside at indoor facilities.
7. Spectators (including other players) shall remain outside the fence at outdoor sites and may not sit courtside at indoor sites. Spectators must observe etiquette rules and exhibit respectful behavior to all officials, coaches and players.
8. Winners shall report score and return balls to the tournament desk immediately following the match.
9. The server shall call out score prior to serving each point.
10. Players should not touch a ball that appears to be going out of bounds until it has touched the court or fence.
11. Players should be prompt and obvious indicating to their opponents when the ball is long or wide either verbally or by gesturing.
12. Officials or line call monitors will be provided if requested by a player. Coaches must be available to monitor line calls upon request if an official is not available.

TENNIS BALLS

Three new balls will be provided for each match. Winners of the match must return balls to scorer's table before scores will be recorded.

TIME LIMITS

The following format, time limits and guidelines will be followed

1. 15 minutes Report for match (after first call)
2. 10 minutes Warm-up (including serves)
3. 3 minutes Interim for split sets
4. 30 minutes Minimum time between matches
5. 45 minutes Maximum time between matches (2 Sets)
6. 1 hour Following a 3rd Set Tie-Break (Per Coaches Request)
7. 10 minutes Correct improper dress
 - Medical timeouts and Bleeding Timeouts will be monitored and regulated according to USTA Standards
 - In case of delays from inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances, the tournament format and time limits may be adjusted.

PENALTIES FOR UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR

The USTA Point Penalty System (PPS) will be used for penalizing unsportsmanlike conduct. Violation of the following behaviors may result in disqualification (default).

1. Repeated displays of poor sportsmanship
2. Racquet, court or ball abuse
3. Being disrespectful to or uncooperative with a tournament official
4. Using profane language and/or gestures
5. Persistent intentional distraction, taunting and/or disrespect of an opponent

RAIN-OUT PLAN

Tournament managers in case of delays from inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances may adjust the tournament format. Adjustment priorities:

- a. Tournament may revert to "followed by" format.
- b. Tournament may move to indoor courts if available.
- c. No-ad scoring may be used, first in consolation brackets and then in championship brackets.
- d. 8-game pro-sets may be used in one or both brackets, tie-break at 7-all.
- e. If conditions on day one do not permit play, tournament management may elect to play single elimination on day two.
- f. If conditions on both days do not permit play, tournament will be canceled.
- g. Matches will not be assigned after 9:00 p.m. on first day or begin before 6:00 a.m. on the second day of the tournament.

SCORING

Matches will be the best of three tie-break sets regular scoring: 7-point set tie-break at 6 games all. All matches except the finals will be played with a 10-point tie-break in lieu of third set. The Consolation and Championship Finals (Matches 27 and 28) will be full third set matches.

7-POINT TIE-BREAK

When a set score reaches 6-all, a standard (ITF Rules of Tennis, 5b) 7-point Set Tie-break (13th game) will determine the set winner. Tie-breaks for both singles and doubles matches will follow regular procedure with players changing ends after every six points. During the tie-break, doubles players will maintain the same service order and receiver positions as previously established in the set.

MATCH TIE-BREAK (10 POINTS)

The player/doubles partners who first win(s) ten points or more, by a two-point margin, win(s) the match tie-break (3rd set) and the match. The 3rd set match tie-break also follows regular changeover procedure; players changing ends every six points. The original service order continues. However, in doubles, the order of serving and receiving within the team may be altered, as in the beginning of each set. Their doubles team service order and receiving positions then remain the same for the rest of the tie-break.

Points for team scoring shall be awarded as follows:

- a. Two (2) team points shall be scored for each match won in the championship bracket except for the final first-place match. If a bye is received in the first round, advancement points will be awarded only if the player(s) win the next match.
- b. One (1) team point shall be scored for each match won in the consolation bracket except for the final third place match. If a bye is received in the first consolation round, advancement points will be awarded only if the player(s) win the next match.
- c. Point(s) shall be scored for each match won by default, disqualification, or forfeit throughout the tournament.
- d. The top four finishers in each event will receive placement points as follows: Champions -14 points; 2nd place - 10 points; 3rd place - 7 points; 4th place - 4 points.
 - Ties in team scores shall be broken by the most entries that play in the championship finals. If still tied, the number of entries that play in the consolation finals will be used.
 - Separate Boys and Girls Championships will be given. Points for mixed doubles will be split.

BRACKETS

The 6A/5A/4A tournaments will be seeded. See “Seeding Guidelines” adopted by the IHSAA (www.idhsaa.org).

ALTERNATES

In the event that a qualifier is unable to participate in the state tournament due to circumstances beyond the player’s control, the following guidelines will be followed when substituting the district alternate:

- a. If seeded player drops:
 1. Take the 6 seeds and remove student who is unable to play.
 2. Move the other seeds up one spot and pull up the #7 player into the #6 seed spot.
 3. Place district alternate into the group that will be drawn for spots #7-#16.
 4. Re-draw the bracket.
- b. If non-seeded player drops:
 1. The district alternate will be directly substituted into the draw.
 2. The alternate will take the same place in the draw as the player who became unable to play. The bracket will not be re-drawn.
- c. If one member of a doubles team is unable to participate, an alternate from that same school will be allowed to substitute on the doubles team, regardless of the district tournament results. The bracket will not be re-drawn.
- d. If both members of a doubles team are unable to participate, procedures a. and b. (above) will be followed.

Deadline for drops is the Wednesday prior to the tournament at noon. Any drops reported after the deadline will result in a first-round bye and no district alternates will be added.

AWARDS

Presentation of awards will take place at conclusion of championship matches in each classification at the primary tournament site.

1. Banners - Awarded to championship boys and girls team in each classification
2. Trophies - Awarded to first through fourth place boys and girls team in each classification
3. Medals - Awarded to first through fourth place in each event

T-SHIRTS / SOUVENIR MERCHANDISE

McU Sports will sell souvenir t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats and other miscellaneous items at all primary sites.

UNIFORMS

Uniform rules are in effect for district and state tennis. Uniforms must be school-issued or school-approved.

Shirts/Tops

1. School name, school initials, or mascot name must be affixed to the shirt/top in a permanent/semi-permanent manner. (Cannot be made out of tape or paper, not be taped or glued on. Names or descriptions of sports other than tennis are not permitted on shirts/tops.)
2. Sleeveless shirts, scoop necks, t-backs, etc. are permitted. Tank tops that are baggy with unusually large armholes are not permitted.
3. Shirts/tops must be of sufficient length to cover the midriff when standing.
4. Commercial advertising is not permitted with the exception of a 2 1/4" x 2 1/4" logo.

Shorts/Skirts

Must be tennis-style and a solid color; nominal trim is allowed. (narrow trim and/or stripes)

Dresses

Tennis dresses are permitted provided top meets "shirt" requirements and bottom meets "shorts/skirts" requirement.

Shoes

Standard tennis shoes with non-marking soles must be worn.

Hats/Headbands/Wristbands

1. Standard baseball caps or visors are optional. If worn:
 - a. must be solid color (nominal trim is ok)
 - b. school name, initials, mascot, or small logo are permitted.
2. Headbands and wristbands must be of soft material and fit snugly.
3. Scarves are not allowed.
4. Bandannas may be worn only as an appropriate headband

Sweats/Warm-ups

Sweats/warm-ups may be worn in inclement weather. They may not display commercial advertising except small manufacturer's logo.

Visible Undergarments

Any visible garments (sleeves, sports bras, compression shorts, etc) that are worn under the shirt or shorts must be a solid color.

CROWD CONTROL/SPORTSMANSHIP

The practice of good sportsmanship by all participants, coaches, and fans is imperative. The IHSAA expects close supervision of students and adult fans and asks for the continued support and cooperation of administrators in enforcing all state tournament sportsmanship rules.

The following sportsmanship rules are in effect at all IHSAA state championship events:

1. Face Painting: Full and/or half face painting is not permitted. Partial face painting is permitted such as small markings on the cheeks, nose, or forehead.
2. Posters/Banners/Signs: All signs must show only positive support for one's own team. Those that direct negative comments towards opponents or are unsportsmanlike or vulgar are not permitted.
3. Artificial Noisemakers: Artificial noisemakers are prohibited. Artificial noisemakers are items such as (but not limited to) megaphones, air horns, bells, whistles, and clickers. Exception: Cheerleaders (only) may use megaphones at football games.
4. Balloons: Balloons are not permitted at any IHSAA state play off or championship event.
5. Attire: Bare chests are not permitted. Shirts must be worn.
6. Inappropriate Behaviors: The following behaviors are not permitted:
 - a. Throwing objects onto the playing area before, during, or after a contest.
 - b. Entering the playing area before, during, or after a contest.
 - c. Verbal harassment or derogatory remarks directed toward an opponent or official.

2025 STATE CHAMPIONS

<u>6A</u>		<u>5A</u>	
Boys Singles	Connor Judson – Coeur d’Alene	Boys Singles	Rhett Locke – Bishop Kelly
Girls Singles	Sophia Jacobs – Eagle	Girls Singles	Pepper Rickert – Sandpoint
Boys Doubles	C. Simon/A. Avery – Timberline	Boys Doubles	D. McGee/L. McGee – Century
Girls Doubles	A. Turcke/H. McMillan – Boise	Girls Doubles	K. Woodhouse/A. Westwood – Idaho Falls
Mixed Doubles	C. Symes/R. Osborne – Eagle	Mixed Doubles	K. Spicer/N. Romriell - Century

<u>4A</u>	
Boys Singles	Dauge McClellan – Weiser
Girls Singles	Maria Gentry – Parma
Boys Doubles	M. Goodson/B. Hancock – Parma
Girls Doubles	R. Gross/N. Tubbs – Fruitland
Mixed Doubles	A. Drollinger/W. Phillips – Fruitland

2024 STATE CHAMPIONS

<u>5A</u>		<u>4A</u>	
Boys Singles	Braeden Johnson – Highland	Boys Singles	Jack Tobin – Bishop Kelly
Girls Singles	Tatyana Larsen – Eagle	Girls Singles	Pepper Rickert – Sandpoint
Boys Doubles	A. Guo/C. Koessler – Timberline	Boys Doubles	D. McGee/L. McGee – Century
Girls Doubles	L. Merrick/E. Tarducci – Eagle	Girls Doubles	S. Guzman/K. Nielson – Bishop Kelly
Mixed Doubles	M. Slots/A. Avery – Timberline	Mixed Doubles	M. Traynor/K. Woodhouse – Idaho Falls

<u>3A</u>	
Boys Singles	Matt Carlin – Sun Valley
Girls Singles	Jordan Hicks – Declo
Boys Doubles	K. Cook/D. Delgadillo – Weiser
Girls Doubles	C. McGowan/A. Murray – Sun Valley
Mixed Doubles	A. Searle/P. Johnson – Parma

2023 STATE CHAMPIONS

<u>5A</u>		<u>4A</u>	
Boys Singles	Shane Garner - Eagle	Boys Singles	Noah Nielson - Ridgevue
Girls Singles	Ella Piron - Boise	Girls Singles	Tatyana Larsen - Bishop Kelly
Boys Doubles	C. Koessler/T. Maimer - Timberline	Boys Doubles	G. Beste/C. Schwartz - Wood River
Girls Doubles	R. Bobkiewicz/J. Turner - Eagle	Girls Doubles	S. Emerson/H. Hatten - Bishop Kelly
Mixed Doubles	A. Guo/D. Canning - Timberline	Mixed Doubles	A. Seehawer/W. Mulhem - Bishop Kelly

<u>3A</u>	
Boys Singles	Matt Carlin - Sun Valley
Girls Singles	Jordan Hicks - Declo
Boys Doubles	B. Beus/B. Hancock - Parma
Girls Doubles	W. Jonnatta/C. McGowan - Sun Valley
Mixed Doubles	G. Huss/C. Spoor - Sun Valley

PAST TEAM CHAMPIONS

2025	<u>6A Boys</u> Timberline	<u>5A Boys</u> Bishop Kelly	<u>4A Boys</u> Weiser
	<u>6A Girls</u> Eagle	<u>5A Girls</u> Bishop Kelly	<u>4A Girls</u> Fruitland
2024	<u>5A Boys</u> Timberline	<u>4A Boys</u> Century	<u>3A Boys</u> Weiser
	<u>5A Girls</u> Eagle	<u>4A Girls</u> Sandpoint	<u>3A Girls</u> Parma
2023	<u>5A Boys</u> Eagle	<u>4A Boys</u> Wood River	<u>3A Boys</u> Sun Valley
	<u>5A Girls</u> Boise	<u>4A Girls</u> Bishop Kelly	<u>3A Girls</u> Parma

2022	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Rocky Mountain Boise	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Wood River Bishop Kelly	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Parma Fruitland
2021	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Centennial Boise	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Bishop Kelly Bishop Kelly	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Sun Valley Parma
2020	Cancelled (COVID)					
2019	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Eagle Timberline	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Middleton Bishop Kelly	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Sun Valley Parma
2018	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Eagle Timberline	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Century Century	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Parma Parma
2017	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Boise Borah	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Century Century	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Fruitland Parma
2016	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Boise Timberline	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Bishop Kelly Century	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Parma Parma
2015	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Boise Eagle	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Bishop Kelly Middleton	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Parma Parma
2014	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Hillcrest Boise	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Bishop Kelly Century	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Parma Parma
2013	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Lewiston Boise	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Century Skyview	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Fruitland Fruitland
2012	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Boise Idaho Falls	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Wood River Century	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Community School Fruitland
2011	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Boise Idaho Falls	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Hillcrest Bonneville	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Parma Fruitland
2010	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Boise Eagle	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Wood River Bonneville	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Community School Parma
2009	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Idaho Falls Boise	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Hillcrest Hillcrest	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	The Community School Parma
2008	<u>5A Boys</u> <u>5A Girls</u>	Boise Centennial	<u>4A Boys</u> <u>4A Girls</u>	Hillcrest Hillcrest	<u>3A Boys</u> <u>3A Girls</u>	Parma Parma
2007	<u>5A</u>	Boise	<u>4A</u>	Bishop Kelly	<u>3A</u>	Parma
2006	<u>5A</u>	Capital	<u>4A</u>	Bishop Kelly/Hillcrest	<u>3A</u>	Community School
2005	<u>5A</u>	Boise	<u>4A</u>	Bishop Kelly	<u>3A</u>	Community School
2004	<u>5A</u>	Boise	<u>4A</u>	Bishop Kelly	<u>3A</u>	Community School
2003	<u>5A</u>	Boise	<u>4A</u>	Vallivue	<u>3A</u>	Homedale
2002	<u>5A</u>	Capital	<u>4A</u>	Vallivue	<u>3A</u>	Community School
2001	<u>A1-I</u>	Twin Falls	<u>A1-II</u>	Bishop Kelly	<u>A-2</u>	Community School