



**TENNIS**

## **Coaches' Tennis Committee**

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# The Championship Program

**First Practice—Jan. 19 First Contest—Feb. 9**

## New Online Requirements For All Sports

### POSTING SCHEDULES

Schools must go online to the AHSAA website Member Section and enter season schedules for all sports by the deadline dates listed below for sports in each quarter. Failure to do so will result in a fine of \$100 assessed to the school. Schools should go online and make any changes immediately as they occur.

Deadlines for entering schedules:

March 1-- fall sports (football, volleyball, cross country, swimming)

Sept. 15 --winter sports (wrestling, basketball)

Jan 15 -- spring sports (baseball, softball, outdoor track, soccer, golf and tennis)

### POSTING SCORES

Schools are also required to post scores of contests ONLINE immediately following all contests in the regular season (and within 24 hours after regular season tournaments). Results must be posted no later than 30 minutes following a regular season contests. Failure to do so will result in a fine of \$25 assessed to the school.

In the post-season playoffs, failure to report scores in the same manner will result in a \$100 fine assessed to the school.

Instructions will be posted on the AHSAA website Member Section.

1. The tennis program provides competition for boys and girls in each of four divisions — 1A-2A-3A, 4A, 5A and 6A.
2. Each high school is permitted 14 regular season playing dates plus weekend tournaments prior to the section and state tournaments. All tournaments other than the section and state tournaments must be held on weekends with no loss of school time. Each student is limited to two regular season playing dates per week during school time. A team may add a third regular season playing date during a week if there is no loss of school time.

Each junior high or middle school is permitted eight regular season playing dates plus weekend tournaments. All tournaments must be held on weekends with no loss of school time. A team may add a third regular season playing date during a week if there is no loss of school time.

A tournament may start during school time on Friday if the schools participating during school time play less than two regular season dates during school time that same week.

Each school may have one regular season playing date per week between the section and state tournaments provided the date falls within the maximum number allowed. A one-day tournament can be played on that date.

A Fall Evaluation Period (five days in a consecutive 10-school day calendar period) is permitted anytime during the fall semester for all students.

In the off-season, school courts may be used by its tennis players if they are not participating in a team practice. After school, the school courts cannot be used for student play unless the courts are also used by the public. The coach cannot orchestrate the practice.

3. All participants must be eligible under AHSAA rules. Any complaint regarding the eligibility of any student must be made to the State Office.
4. A school team (with a minimum of four players) and individuals must play a minimum of four regular season matches in order to qualify for a section tournament. Section directors must check section entries for the minimum game requirement.  
**Note: A school entering less than a full team will forfeit matches at No. 5 and/or No. 6.**
5. A school must enter a minimum of four players to participate in team competition but may enter a maximum of 12 players. Players may play both singles and doubles.  
A school entering less than six singles players must enter its best player in the No. 1 position, its second best player in the No. 2 position, etc. The same method must be used when a school enters less than three doubles teams.
6. It is recommended by the Tennis Committee that all participants and coaches wear apparel with school identification or school colors. Participants may not wear any attire with any logos or slogans for any alcohol or tobacco products.
7. Any school that enters a section or state tournament draw and fails to participate will be fined \$50 except for injury or illness.
8. Tournament Format (section and state): All No. 1 singles players will compete in a single elimination tournament, the same for all No. 2, No. 3, No. 4, No. 5 and No. 6 singles players.  
All No. 1 doubles teams will compete in a single elimination tournament, the same for all No. 2 and No. 3 doubles teams.
9. Playing and Scoring: Single elimination play will prevail. Scoring in all rounds of competition will be three points for a doubles win and two points for a singles win. No points will be awarded for a bye unless the player with the bye wins in the next round.
10. All singles and doubles players on the section winner and runner-up teams will qualify for the state tournament. Also, each section's No. 1 singles winner that is not a member of a qualifying team will qualify for the singles competition in the state tournament.  
Likewise, each section's No. 1 doubles champions that are not members of a qualifying team will qualify for the doubles competition in the state tournament.

11. Unopened cans of Wilson Extra Duty balls must be supplied by every school at each section and state tournament. The number of cans needed for section and state tournaments is left to the discretion of the tournament director. The balls cannot be returned to the players or teams. Coaches will be responsible for checking in the balls to the tournament directors.

may play 10-game pro-sets in the first couple of rounds in order to complete a tournament in a reasonable time frame. A section tournament may be played in a day and a half (a full day of play followed by play after school on the second day.)

to weather, etc., must be requested from the State Office.

Regular season matches are normally the best-of-three sets or, if both coaches agree, one 10-game pro-set using the no-ad scoring system. If coaches cannot agree, the home team coach will make the determination. NOTE: Eight-game pro sets are allowed during the season if daylight hours are a factor and if both coaches agree prior to the match.

When a no-ad match (or pro-set) reaches 6 (or 10 or 8 if pro set) games all, a 7-of-12 tie-breaker must be used as follows:

### 7-Of-12 Tie-Breaker

**SINGLES:** The 7-of-12 tie-breaker goes into effect when games reach 6-all in any set. If it is Player A's turn to serve the 13th game, A serves the first point from the right court; Player B serves points 2 and 3, starting in the left court; Player A serves points 4 and 5, also starting in left court. B serves point 6 (left) and players change ends. B serves 7 (right); A serves points 8 and 9 (left and right); B serves points 10 and 11 (left and right); A serves point 12 (left).

The first player to win 7 points wins the set 7-6. If the points reach 6-all, players change ends again and continue in the same pattern, changing ends after every six points until one player leads by two points and thus wins the set 7-6. Players "change for one" to start the next set with Player B as first server.

**DOUBLES** (A and B vs. C and D): The 7-of-12 tie-breaker follows the same pattern with partners preserving the sequence of their serving as the service alternates from team to team.

Team A serves the first point (right); C serves points 2 and 3 (left and right); B serves points 4 and 5 (left and right); D serves point 6 (left) and teams change ends. D serves point 7 (right); A serves points 8 and 9 (left and right); C serves points 10 and 11 (left and right); and B serves point 12 (left).

If points reach 6-all, the teams again change ends and continue in the same pattern until one team gets a two-point lead. The teams "change for one" at the start of the next set with team C and D as first server.

13. The no-ad scoring system and 7-of-12 tie-breaker must be used in all section and state tournament matches. A 10-minute rest period is allowed in singles and a five-minute rest period is allowed in doubles, if necessary, after the second set

of a split match.

14. A “super tie-breaker” (the first player or team to score 10 points in lieu of playing a third set following split sets) may be used only in non-section matches if both coaches agree.

15. Each school MUST have a coach who is a CERTIFIED TEACHER hired by the Board of Education accompany its team at all levels of competition. The accompanying faculty member must remain with the team throughout its matches in every event.

If the certified teacher is not the actual coach, the person certified as the coach must be identified and be able to present a coaches' card upon request. A copy of the coaches' card must be submitted to the state tournament director along with the section entry form 10 days prior to the section meets.

16. All coaches must have coaches' cards (signifying membership in the Alabama High School Athletic Directors & Coaches Association). All coaches are subject to have their coaching certification credentials checked at championship events.

Only those coaches with cards can approach the fence to talk with players during a match. Only one card-bearing coach at a time may talk with a player during a match.

**Penalty:**

1st Warning-Loss of one game

2nd Warning Involving Same Player-Disqualification from that match and the remainder of the entire tournament (singles and doubles).

Coaching by a team's certified coach is permitted from outside the fence during the 90-second, odd-game changeover in all matches, but the player must remain on the court. Also, coaching is allowed by the team coach between split sets in singles and doubles play.

All disqualifications (ejections) should be reported to the AHSAA by the meet director immediately in compliance with the conduct rule. The school will then be notified of fines and penalties as per the conduct rule.

17. A tennis pro hired as the high school coach cannot teach members of his/her school team during the school year except during the season and designated pre-season practice time of the school team. The pro is permitted to teach a member of his/her school team during the summer.
18. All regular season section matches, as well as section and state tournament matches, should be held at only one site as far as possible.
19. All regular season section matches halted by weather, darkness, etc., shall be suspended at the point of interruption and completed at a later date. Handling

the stoppage and completion of non-section matches is left up to the discretion of the participating coaches.

20. A team's best singles player must play in the No. 1 singles position, the second best in the No. 2 position, etc. Also, the best doubles team shall play in the No.1 doubles position, the second best in the No. 2 position, etc.

It is strongly recommended by the Tennis Committee that each team use a challenge format to rank its players for the season. This ranking must be established at the earliest possible date, preferably prior to the season, and remain consistent during the regular season sectional matches. When a player in a team's regular lineup is absent from a head-to-head section match because of sickness or other emergencies, the team must substitute a player that is not in the lineup to fill the vacancy at the position where it occurs in singles and doubles. This substitution procedure will be beneficial for seeding players in the sectional tournaments.

Reminder from the Tennis Committee: The "stacking" of a lineup is not allowed under AHSAA rules and is not ethical.

**Note: A team must play its best players in the section tournament-beginning with the best at No. 1-even though one or more will be unable to play in the state tournament if the team qualifies.**

21. For sections that play home-and-home section schedules and seed their section meets, the last match played between any two positions will be used for seeding purposes.
22. In the state tournament, each section winner and runner-up team must use the same player lineup in singles and doubles as it submitted on Form 49 for the section tournament. Each participating school must FAX its section lineup (Form 49) plus its section match records for each lineup position to the appropriate STATE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR at least 10 days prior to section tournament.

Schools will be subject to a fine and probation for late entries, for failing to submit entry forms and position records, and for failing to participate in the section meets after submitting entries.

23. **Substitution:** In case of sickness or other emergencies, use the following procedure:
  - (a) Before or after the draw, a team may substitute a player who was not in the draw to fill the vacancy at the level where it occurs in singles or doubles. All substitutions must be made at the positions of the absent players. A player submitted on the section entry (Form 49) may not play at a lower position in the state tournament than in the section tournament.
  - (b) After a section or state tournament has started, a player in the draw may be substituted for prior to that player's first match in the tournament.

24. Team ties will be broken as follows:
- (a) **If two teams tie for first place in a section tournament**, there will be no playoff and both teams will qualify for the state tournament.
  - (b) **If three or more teams tie for first place in a section tournament**, a playoff must be held after a one-hour break using a new draw with no seeds in the following format: The teams' Nos. 1 and 6 singles players plus their No. 2 doubles teams will play a mini-match (2 of 3 sets with no-ad scoring). The winner and runner-up team in the playoff bracket will qualify for the state tournament. The playoff will serve as a tiebreaker for team ties only since the individual and doubles finishers were determined during regular tournament bracket play.
  - (c) **If two teams tie for second place in a section tournament or for first place in a state tournament**, a playoff will be held after a one-hour break using the following format: The teams' Nos. 1 and 6 singles players plus their No. 2 doubles teams will play a mini-match (2 of 3 sets with no-ad scoring). The team winning two of the three matches will win the playoff. **NOTE: If three or more teams are tied for second place, a new draw with no seeds will be held using the mini-match format.**
  - (d) Coaches should decide at the section draw when the tiebreaker, if necessary, will be played. The safety of participants should be considered at all costs. The coaches involved must agree on the tiebreaker plans (times, sites, etc.)
25. Normally a section tournament with an eight-team draw should be played in one day. Sections with more than eight teams must use a 16-team draw and must play over two days (Play up to the semi-finals in doubles and to the finals in singles on the first day.). Only the "school time" of one school day in any one week may be used for playing a section tournament.
- Each section director will determine the schedule of play for his/her section based on the number of participants in the section and the availability of the courts. All coaches must be present at the draw meeting. If a second day is used by larger sections, play on one of the days must be after school.
- Upon request, the teams that travel the farthest may be given the latest starting times for first-round matches.
- If a school enters less than a full team, the empty spots on the brackets will be defaulted to the opponent in each spot.
26. Each section team must play all other sections teams one regular season match in order to be seeded in the section tournament. A team that refuses to play another section team cannot be seeded in the section meet. The team that tries to schedule a declining team must document its attempt in writing in order to be seeded. A section of 8 or less teams must seed two at each position and draw the rest. A section of more than 8 teams must seed 2, 3 or 4, at the discretion of the section director, and draw the rest.

27. If an injury occurs during regular season, section and state tournament matches, a five-minute injury time-out is permitted. A second occurrence of a player's same injury will result in a mandatory default of the match. An injury of a different type to the same player would necessitate another five-minute time-out. It is the responsibility of the tournament director to handle all injury situations with good judgment.

One five-minute bathroom break per match (singles and doubles) is permitted. No coaching is allowed during a bathroom break.

28. Trophies will be awarded as follows in both the boys and girls state tournaments:

Team Champion	No. 1-6 Singles Winners
Team Runner-up	No. 1-3 Doubles Winners
Team Sportsmanship	

29. Team trophies may be awarded at the discretion of each section. A section entry fee (maximum \$25 per team) is permitted to cover section awards.

30. United States Tennis Association rules will apply except for Special Rules that have been adopted by the AHSAA. All rules listed herein are for boys and girls section and state tournaments as applicable.

31. Unsportsmanlike acts (profanity, throwing rackets, etc.) WILL NOT be tolerated at any level of competition. A penalty system will be used in all regular season matches and tournaments as well as in section and state tournament play. A warning will be issued by the home coach or the state tournament director at the players' meeting before play begins.

Penalty schedule: 1st Penalty - Loss of 1 point

2nd Penalty - Loss of 1 game

3rd Penalty - Disqualification from competition in that regular season match or tournament

Prior to a regular season match, coaches should have an understanding of how penalty points will be administered. Participating coaches may select one or more coaches and/or pros, facility staff members, etc., to serve as officials for assessing penalty points.

During the draw meeting of the state tournament, the tournament director and the participating coaches will select one or more coaches and/or pros, facility staff members, etc., to serve as officials for assessing penalty points.

**If any unsportsmanlike act is flagrant enough in the opinion of a person responsible for assessing penalties, the player may be given a loss of a game or disqualification at any time.**

32. All divisions will use the pre-drawn bracket in the state tournaments. Qualifiers from each section will be drawn for places in the 16-team open draw

brackets according to an individual's finish in the section. Note: A team's finish in the section has no bearing on placing individuals in the state tournament bracket.

## Section, State Tournaments

The state is divided into sections for girls and boys in each of the four divisions of competition. A school will compete in the designated section tournament.

Each participating school must FAX its section lineup (Form 49) plus its section match records for each lineup position to the appropriate STATE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR at least 10 days prior to section tournament.

Schools will be subject to a fine and probation for late entries, for failing to submit entry forms and position records, and for failing to participate in the section meets after submitting entries.

Contact the director for further details (time of draw, etc.).

**SECTION DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY:** Fax the Section Director's Report (Form 49A) listing team and individual qualifiers to the appropriate state director by noon the day following the section tournament.

### Girls Sections

#### CLASS 1A-2A-3A

##### SECTION 1

**Date:** April 22

**Site:** Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**Teams:** Bayside Academy, Cottage Hill, Geneva, Houston Academy, T.R. Miller, Providence Christian

**Director:** Lynn Lefan, Bayside Academy, 303 Dryer Ave., Daphne, AL 36526

**Phone:** 251-338-6374 or 251-605-2103 (cell). **Fax:** 251-338-6311

**Email:** llefan@baysideacademy.org

##### SECTION 2

**Date:** April 20

**Site:** Montgomery—O'Connor Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**Teams:** Dadeville, Georgiana, LAMP, Montgomery Academy, St. Jude, Trinity

**Director:** Vickie Parrish, Trinity Presbyterian School, 1700 East Trinity Blvd., Montgomery, AL 36106.

**Phone:** 334-328-1032 (cell). **Fax:** 334-277-6782

**Email:** vparrish@trinitywildcats.com

**SECTION 3****Date:** April 21**Site:** Tuscaloosa—Bowers Park**Teams:** Altamont, American Christian, Holy Spirit, Indian Springs, Montevallo, Shades Mountain Christian, Westminster School**Director:** David Derry, American Christian Academy, 2300 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Tuscaloosa, AL 35404**Phone:** 205-799-5074. **Fax:** 205-553-5942**Email:** dderry@cfmhomes.com**SECTION 4****Date:** April 20**Site:** Gadsden Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)**Teams:** Donoho, Faith Christian, Lineville, Parkway Christian, Sardis, Sylvania, Westbrook Christian**Director:** Renee Rhoden, Sylvania High School School, 133 First St., Sylvania, AL 35988**Phone:** 256-638-2030 or 256-490-8742 (cell). **Fax:** 256-638-7839**Email:** rrhoden@dekalbk12.org**SECTION 5****Date:** April 20**Site:** Florence City Courts**Teams:** Covenant Christian, Lauderdale County, Lexington, Mars Hill Bible, Red Bay, Sheffield, Shoals Christian**Director:** Brice Bishop, Shoals Christian, 301 Heathrow Dr., Florence, AL 35633**Phone:** 256-767-7070 or 256-366-4703 (cell). Fax: 256-766-5677**Email:** brice1os@aol.com**SECTION 6****Date:** April 20**Site:** Huntsville—Randolph School**Teams:** Athens Bible, Catholic-Huntsville, Decatur Heritage, Randolph, St. Bernard, Westminster Christian, Whitesburg**Director:** Sue Marshall, Randolph School, 1005 Drake Ave., Huntsville, AL 35802**Phone:** 256-881-1701-Ext. 175, 256-426-0647 (cell) or 256-882-6257 (home)**Fax:** 256-881-1784. **Email:** smarshall@randolphschool.net**CLASS 4A****SECTION 1****Date:** April 22**Site:** Andalusia—L.B. Wallace Junior College Courts**Teams:** Andalusia, Jackson, W.S. Neal, Opp, UMS-Wright**Director:** Allison Foshee, Andalusia High School, 701 Third St., Andalusia, AL 36240**Phone:** 334-222-7569 or 334-427-2284 (home)**Fax:** 334-222-5834 **Email:** bartona@andalusia.k12.al.us

**SECTION 2****Date:** April 22**Site:** Montgomery—O'Connor Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)**Teams:** Brewbaker Tech, Catholic-Montgomery, Holtville, Jemison, Northside, St. James**Director:** Amy Patterson, St. James High School, 6010 Vaughn Rd., Montgomery, AL 36116**Phone:** 334-273-2997 (cell). **Fax:** 334-277-8059**Email:** apatterson@stjweb.org**SECTION 3****Date:** April 21**Site:** Jacksonville State University Courts**Teams:** Cherokee County, Jacksonville, Oneonta, Plainview, Ramsay**Director:** Kim Howell, Cherokee County High School, 910 Warrior Dr., Centre, AL 35960**Phone:** 256-927-3625. **Fax:** 256-927-6445**Email:** khowell@cherokeek12.org**SECTION 4****Date:** April 21**Site:** Tuscumbia City Courts**Teams:** Brooks, Central-Florence, Deshler, Fayette County, Haleyville, Rogers, Wilson**Director:** Jana Killen, Deshler High School, 200 N. Commons, Tuscumbia, AL 35670**Phone:** 256-389-2910 or 256-627-5481 (cell). **Fax:** 256-389-2915**Email:** jkillen@tuscumbia.k12.al.us**SECTION 5****Date:** April 21**Site:** Guntersville High School**Teams:** DAR, Douglas, Guntersville, West Point**Director:** Lisa Beam, Guntersville Middle School, 901 Sunset Drive, Guntersville, AL 35976**Phone:** 256-582-3364, 256-582-3199 (home) or 256-572-8017 (cell)**Fax:** 256-582-0892 **Email:** lbeam@gcboe.net**CLASS 5A****SECTION 1****Date:** April 22**Site:** Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)**Teams:** Citronelle, Faith Academy, Gulf Shores, LeFlore, St. Paul's, Spanish Fort, Vigor**Director:** Judy Griffin, St. Paul's Episcopal School, 161 Dogwood Lane, Mobile, AL 36608**Phone:** 251-461-2174 or 251-753-1951 (cell)**Fax:** 251-342-1844. **Email:** jgriffin@stpaulsmobile.net

**SECTION 2****Date:** April 21**Site:** Troy—Lunceford Municipal Tennis Center**Teams:** Carroll, Carver-Montgomery, Charles Henderson, Eufaula, Greenville, Selma, Valley**Director:** Robert Lewis, Charles Henderson High School, P. O. Box 1006, Troy, AL 36081**Phone:** 334-268-2413 or 334-566-1425 (home). **Fax:** 334-566-4940**Email:** lewisr@troyschools.net**SECTION 3****Date:** April 22**Site:** Pelham Tennis Complex (Court fee: \$20 per team)**Teams:** Briarwood Christian, Chelsea, Erwin, Moody, Shelby County, Sylacauga, Springville, Talladega**Director:** John Hughes, Moody High School, 714 High School Dr., Moody, AL 35004**Phone:** 205-640-2180 or 205-520-3938 (cell). **Fax:** 205-640-2300**Email:** john.hughes@sccboe.org**SECTION 4****Date:** April 23**Site:** Decatur—Point Mallard State Park Courts**Teams:** Albertville, Arab, Boaz, Cullman, Fort Payne, Madison County, Scottsboro, Southside-Gadsden**Director:** Nathan Bates, Cullman High School, 510 13th St. NE, Cullman, AL 35055**Phone:** 256-962-3097(cell). **Fax:** 256-775-0238.**Email:** nbates@cullmancats.net**SECTION 5****Date:** April 21**Site:** Jasper—Walker High School**Teams:** Central-Tuscaloosa, Chilton County, Demopolis, McAdory, Pleasant Grove, Walker**Director:** Jay Todd, Walker High School, 1601 Highland Ave., Jasper, AL 35501**Phone:** 205-221-9277 or 256-322-1295 (cell). **Fax:** 205-387-5228.**Email:** jtodd@jasper.k12.al.us**SECTION 6****Date:** April 21**Site:** Russellville**Teams:** Athens, Butler, Hartselle, Lee-Huntsville, Muscle Shoals, Russellville**Director:** Jimmy Rea, Russellville High School, 1865 Waterloo Road, Russellville, AL 36553**Phone:** 256-810-0764. **Fax:** 256-332-8770.**Email:** jrea@rcs.k12.al.us

## CLASS 6A

### SECTION 1

**Date:** April 20-21

**Site:** Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**Teams:** Alma Bryant, Baker, Blount, Davidson, Mary Montgomery, McGill-Toolen, Murphy, Theodore

**Director:** Philip Roebing, Theodore High School, 6201 Swedetown Rd., Theodore, AL 36582

**Phone:** 251-221-3351 or 251-751-1759 (cell). **Fax:** 251-221-3355

**Email:** proeblin@mcps.com

### SECTION 2

**Date:** April 21

**Site:** Spanish Fort—City Tennis Complex

**Teams:** Baldwin County, Daphne, Fairhope, Foley, Robertsedale, Satsuma

**Director:** Wes Lathan, Foley High School, 1 Pride Place, Foley, AL 36535

**Phone:** 251-591-5868 (cell). **Fax:** 251-943-1806

**Email:** wlathan@bcbe.org

### SECTION 3

**Date:** April 21

**Site:** Dothan—Wiregrass Park

**Teams:** Benjamin Russell, Central-Phenix City, Dothan, Enterprise, Northview, Smiths Station

**Director:** Greg Harrison, Enterprise High School, 600 Plaza Drive, Enterprise, AL 36330

**Phone:** 334-347-2640 or 334-494-8487 (cell). **Fax:** 334-393-1512

**Email:** gharrison@ehs.enterpriseschools.net

### SECTION 4

**Date:** April 22

**Site:** Montgomery—Lagoon Park Tennis Complex (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**Teams:** Auburn, Jeff Davis, Lee-Montgomery, Opelika, Prattville, Sidney Lanier, Wetumpka

**Director:** Erik Speakman, Opelika High School, 1700 LaFayette Pkwy., Opelika, AL 36801

**Phone:** 334-745-9718 or 334-728-4191 (cell). **Fax:** 334-745-9721.

**Email:** erik.speakman@opelikaschools.org

### SECTION 5

**Date:** April 21

**Site:** Tuscaloosa—Northridge High School

**Teams:** Hillcrest-Tuscaloosa, Hueytown, Northridge, Paul Bryant, Pelham, Thompson, Tuscaloosa County

**Director:** John Cain, Northridge High School, 2901 Northridge Rd., Tuscaloosa, AL 35406

**Phone:** 205-379-3590, 205-454-2400 (cell) or 205-339-3958 (home).

**Fax:** 205-759-3605. **Email:** jcain@tusc.k12.al.us

**SECTION 6****Date:** April 22**Site:** Hoover—Spain Park High School**Teams:** Gardendale, Homewood, Hoover, Mountain Brook, Oak Mountain, Spain Park, Vestavia Hills**Director:** Virginia Tucker, Spain Park High School, 4700 Jaguar Dr., Hoover, AL 35242**Phone:** 205-439-1400 or 205-913-7807 (cell). **Fax:** 205-439-1501.**Email:** vtucker@hoover.k12.al.us**SECTION 7****Date:** April 22-23**Site:** Gadsden Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)**Teams:** Clay-Chalkville, Gadsden City, Hewitt-Trussville, Huffman, Oxford, Pell City, Pinson Valley, Shades Valley**Director:** Susan Andrew, Gadsden City High School, 1917 Black Creek Pkwy, Gadsden, AL 35904**Phone:** 256-543-3614. **Fax:** 256-543-4251**Email:** sandrew@gcs.k12.al.us**SECTION 8****Date:** April 20**Site:** Decatur—Point Mallard State Park Courts**Teams:** Austin, Bob Jones, Buckhorn, Decatur, Florence, Grissom, Hazel Green, Huntsville, Sparkman.**Director:** Mark Christopher, Decatur High School, 1011 Prospect Dr., SE, Decatur, AL, 35601**Phone:** 256-552-3011, 256-350-8310 or 256-606-1876 (cell).**Fax:** 256-308-2535 **Email:** christopher-mark@bellsouth.net**Girls State Tournaments****CLASS 1A-2A-3A****DATE:** April 27-28**SITE:** Decatur – Point Mallard Tennis Courts**DIRECTOR:** Sue Marshall, Randolph School, 1005 Drake Ave., Huntsville, AL 35802**Phone:** 256-881-1701, Ext. 175 or 256-882-6257 (home) or 256-426-0647 (cell)**Fax:** 256-881-1784. **Email:** ddmarshall@knology.net**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:** Carolyn Holt, Randolph**COACHES' MEETING:** 6 p.m. April 26 at host motel.

## CLASS 4A

**DATE:** April 27-28

**SITE:** Montgomery – Lagoon Park Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**DIRECTOR:** Aileen Finley, 770 Chase Rd., Huntsville, AL 35811

**Phone:** 256-679-5230 (cell). **Fax:** 256-428-7781

**Email:** aileen@hiwaay.net

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:** Mary Jean Warden, Huntsville.

**COACHES' MEETING:** 6 p.m. April 26 at host motel

## CLASS 5A

**DATE:** April 27-28

**SITE:** Mobile – Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**DIRECTOR:** Joe Walding, Hoover High School, 1000 Buccaneer Dr., Hoover, AL 35244

**Phone:** 334-685-2708 (cell). **Fax:** 205-439-1201

**Email:** jswalding@msn.com

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:** Candy Lomax, Citronelle High School

**COACHES' MEETING:** 6 p.m. April 26 at host motel

## CLASS 6A

**DATE:** April 27-28

**SITE:** Mobile – Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**DIRECTOR:** Scott Knight, Riverchase Middle School, 853 Willow Oak Dr., Birmingham, AL 35244

**Phone:** 205-682-5510, 205-746-6383 (cell) or 205-477-4223 (home).

**Fax:** 205-682-5515. **Email:** S3Knight@Shelby.k12.al.us

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:** To be named

**COACHES' MEETING:** 6 p.m. April 26 at host motel

## Boys Sections

### CLASS 1A-2A-3A

#### SECTION 1

**Date:** April 22

**Site:** Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**Teams:** Bayside Academy, Cottage Hill, Houston Academy, T.R. Miller, Providence Christian

**Director:** Lynn Lefan, Bayside Academy, 303 Dryer Ave., Daphne, AL 36526

**Phone:** 251-338-6374 or 251-605-2103 (cell). **Fax:** 251-338-6311

**Email:** llefan@baysideacademy.org

#### SECTION 2

**Date:** April 21

**Site:** Montgomery—O'Connor Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**Teams:** Dadeville, Georgiana, LAMP, Trinity, Montgomery Academy, St. Jude

**Director:** David Bethea, Montgomery Academy, 3240 Vaughn Rd., Montgomery, AL 36106

**Phone:** 334-272-8210. **Fax:** 334-277-3240

**Email:** bethea.d@montgomeryacademy.org

**SECTION 3****Date:** April 22**Site:** Birmingham—Altamont School**Teams:** Altamont, Fultondale, Holy Spirit, Indian Springs, Montevallo, Shades Mountain Christian, Sumiton Christian, Westminster School**Director:** Shaun Thistlethwaite, Altamont School, P. O. Box 131429, Birmingham, AL 35213**Phone:** 205-879-2006. **Fax:** 205-871-5666**Email:** sthistlethwaite@altamontschool.org**SECTION 4****Date:** April 21**Site:** Gadsden Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)**Teams:** Donoho, Faith Christian, Lineville, Parkway Christian, Sardis, Sylvania, Westbrook Christian**Director:** Renee Rhoden, Sylvania High School, P. O. Box 390, Sylvania, AL 35988**Phone:** 256-638-2030. **Fax:** 256-638-7839**Email:** rrhoden@dekalbk12.org**SECTION 5****Date:** April 20**Site:** Florence City Courts**Teams:** Covenant Christian, Lauderdale County, Lexington, Mars Hill Bible, Red Bay, Sheffield, Shoals Christian**Director:** Brice Bishop, Shoals Christian High School, 301 Heathrow Dr., Florence, AL 35633**Phone:** 256-767-7070 or 256-366-4703 (cell). **Fax:** 256-766-5677**Email:** jbb@shoalschristian.org**SECTION 6****Date:** April 22**Site:** Huntsville—Randolph School**Teams:** Catholic-Huntsville, Decatur Heritage, Randolph, St. Bernard, Westminster Christian, Whitesburg**Director:** Sue Marshall, Randolph School, 1005 Drake Ave., Huntsville, AL 35802**Phone:** 256-881-1701, Ext. 175, 256-882-6257(home) or 256-426-0647 (cell)**Fax:** 256-881-1784. **Email:** ddmars@knology.net**CLASS 4A****SECTION 1****Date:** April 22**Site:** Andalusia—L. B. Wallace Junior College Courts**Teams:** Andalusia, Jackson, W.S. Neal, Opp, UMS-Wright**Director:** Perry Dillard, Andalusia High School, 701 Third St., Andalusia, AL 36240**Phone:** 334-222-7569 or 334-504-4280 (cell)**Fax:** 334-222-5834 **Email:** dillardp@andalusia.k12.al.us

**SECTION 2****Date:** April 23**Site:** Montgomery—O'Connor Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)**Teams:** Brewbaker Tech, Holtville, Jemison, Northside, St. James**Director:** Amy Patterson, St. James High School, 6010 Vaughn Rd., Montgomery, AL 36116**Phone:** 334-273-2997 (cell). **Fax:** 334-277-8059**Email:** apatterson@stjweb.org**SECTION 3****Date:** April 21**Site:** Jacksonville—Jacksonville State University Courts**Teams:** Cherokee County, Jacksonville, Oneonta, Plainview, Ramsay**Director:** Kim Howell, Cherokee County High School, 910 Warrior Dr., Centre, AL 35960**Phone:** 256-927-3625. **Fax:** 256-927-6445**Email:** khowell@cherokeek12.org**SECTION 4****Date:** April 20**Site:** Killen City Park**Teams:** Brooks, Central-Florence, Deshler, Haleyville, Rogers, Wilson**Director:** Ryan Roberson, Brooks High School, Rt. 4, Box 428, Killen, AL 35645**Phone:** 256-757-2115. **Fax:** 256-757-1136**Email:** ryan.roberson@lcschools.org**SECTION 5****Date:** April 23**Site:** Guntersville--Guntersville Recreation Center**Teams:** DAR, Douglas, Guntersville, West Point**Director:** Phillip Collie, Guntersville Academic Program, 3210 Creek Path Rd., Guntersville, AL 35976**Phone:** 256-582-2046 or 256-572-5985. **Fax:** 256-582-9221**Email:** pcollie@gcboe.net**CLASS 5A****SECTION 1****Date:** April 23**Site:** Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)**Teams:** Citronelle, Faith Academy, Gulf Shores, LeFlore, St. Paul's, Spanish Fort, Vigor**Director:** Laura McGee, St. Paul's Episcopal School, 161 Dogwood Lane, Mobile, AL 36608**Phone:** 251-342-6700. **Fax:** 251-342-1844.**Email:** lmcgee@stpaulsmobile.net

**SECTION 2****Date:** April 23**Site:** Troy—Lunsford Municipal Tennis Center**Teams:** Carroll, Carver-Montgomery, Charles Henderson, Chilton County, Eufaula, Greenville, Selma, Valley**Director:** Robert Lewis, Charles Henderson High School, P. O. Box 1006, Troy, AL 36081**Phone:** 334-268-2413 (cell) or 334-566-1425**Fax:** 334-566-4940. **Email:** lewisr@troyschools.net**SECTION 3****Date:** April 21**Site:** Pelham Tennis Complex (\$25 per team)**Teams:** Briarwood Christian, Chelsea, Erwin, Moody, Parker, Shelby County, Sylacauga, Springville, Talladega**Director:** John Hughes, Moody High School, 714 High School Dr., Moody, AL 35004**Phone:** 205-640-2180 or 205-520-3938 (cell). **Fax:** 205-640-2300**Email:** john.hughes@sccboe.org**SECTION 4****Date:** April 21**Site:** Boaz High School Courts**Teams:** Albertville, Arab, Boaz, Cullman, Fort Payne, Madison County, Southside-Gadsden**Director:** Caleb Pinyan, Boaz High School, 907 Brown St., Boaz, AL 35957**Phone:** 256-593-2401 or 256-558-5088 (cell).**Fax:** 256-593-2403. **Email:** cpinyan@boazk12.org**SECTION 5****Date:** April 23**Site:** Jasper—Walker High School**Teams:** Central-Tuscaloosa, Chilton County, Demopolis, McAdory, Pleasant Grove, Walker**Director:** Jay Todd, Walker High School, 1601 Highland Ave., Jasper, AL 35501**Phone:** 205-221-9277 or 256-322-1295 (cell). **Fax:** 205-387-5228.**Email:** jtodd@jasper.k12.al.us**SECTION 6****Date:** April 21**Site:** Russellville**Teams:** Athens, Butler, Hartselle, Lee-Huntsville, Muscle Shoals, Russellville**Director:** Jimmy Rea, Russellville High School, 1865 Waterloo Road, Russellville, AL 36553**Phone:** 256-810-0764. **Fax:** 256-332-8770.**Email:** jrea@rcs.k12.al.us

## CLASS 6A

### SECTION 1

**Date:** April 21-22

**Site:** Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**Teams:** Alma Bryant, Baker, Blount, Davidson, Mary Montgomery, McGill-Toolen, Murphy, Theodore

**Director:** Philip Roebing, Theodore High School, 6201 Swedetown Rd., Theodore, AL 36582

**Phone:** 251-221-3351 or 251-751-1759 (cell). **Fax:** 251-221-3355

**Email:** proeblin@mcps.com

### SECTION 2

**Date:** April 22

**Site:** Spanish Fort Tennis Complex

**Teams:** Baldwin County, Daphne, Fairhope, Foley, Robertsdale, Satsuma

**Director:** Wes Lathan, Foley High School, 1 Pride Place, Foley, AL 36535

**Phone:** 251-591-5868 (cell). **Fax:** 251-943-1535

**Email:** wlathan@bcbe.org

### SECTION 3

**Date:** April 23

**Site:** Phenix City—Idle Hour Park

**Teams:** Benjamin Russell, Central-Phenix City, Dothan, Enterprise, Northview, Smiths Station

**Director:** Thomas J. Carey, Central High School, 2400 Dobbs Dr., Phenix City, AL 36870

**Phone:** 334-298-3626. **Fax:** 334-298-7690

**Email:** tcarey@pcboe.net

### SECTION 4

**Date:** April 23

**Site:** Montgomery—Lagoon Park Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)

**Teams:** Auburn, Jeff Davis, Lee-Montgomery, Opelika, Prattville, Sidney Lanier, Wetumpka

**Director:** Erik Speakman, Opelika High School, 1700 LaFayette Pkwy., Opelika, AL 36801

**Phone:** 334-745-9718 or 334-728-4191 (cell). **Fax:** 334-745-9721.

**Email:** erik.speakman@opelikaschools.org

### SECTION 5

**Date:** April 23

**Site:** Tuscaloosa—Northridge High School

**Teams:** Hillcrest-Tuscaloosa, Hueytown, Northridge, Paul Bryant, Pelham, Thompson, Tuscaloosa County

**Director:** John Cain, Northridge High School, 2901 Northridge Rd., Tuscaloosa, AL 35406

**Phone:** 205-759-3590, 205-454-2400 (cell), or 205-339-3958 (home).

**Fax:** 205-759-3605. **Email:** jcain@tusc.k12.al.us

**SECTION 6****Date:** April 20**Site:** Hoover—Spain Park High School**Teams:** Gardendale, Homewood, Hoover, Mountain Brook, Oak Mountain, Spain Park, Vestavia Hills**Director:** Virginia Tucker, Spain Park High School, 4700 Jaguar Dr., Hoover, AL 35242**Phone:** 205-439-1400 or 205-913-7807 (cell). **Fax:** 205-439-1501.**Email:** vtucker@hoover.k12.al.us**SECTION 7****Date:** April 22-23**Site:** Gadsden Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)**Teams:** Clay-Chalkville, Gadsden City, Hewitt-Trussville, Huffman, Oxford, Pell City, Pinson Valley, Shades Valley**Director:** Susan Andrew, Gadsden City High School, 1917 Black Creek Pkwy, Gadsden, AL 35904**Phone:** 256-543-3614. **Fax:** 256-543-4251**SECTION 8****Date:** April 21**Site:** Decatur—Point Mallard State Park Courts**Teams:** Austin, Bob Jones, Buckhorn, Decatur, Florence, Grissom, Huntsville, Sparkman**Director:** Mike King, Liberty Middle School, 281 Dock Murphy Dr., Madison, AL 35758**Phone:** 256-430-0001 or 256-366-2104 (home).**Fax:** 256-430-0282. **Email:** mike.king@madisoncity.k12.al.us**Boys State Tournaments****CLASS 1A-2A-3A****DATE:** April 27-28**SITE:** Decatur – Point Mallard State Park Courts (Court fee: \$20 per team)**DIRECTOR:** Richard Wilson, Lee High School, 606 Forrest Circle, Huntsville, AL 35811**Phone:** 256-428-8150 or 256-527-4160 (cell). **Fax:** 256-428-8151.**Email:** rwilson@hsv.k12.al.us**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:** Ralph Patton, Birmingham**COACHES' MEETING:** 7 p.m. April 26 at host motel.**CLASS 4A****DATE:** April 27-28**SITE:** Montgomery – Lagoon Park Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)**DIRECTOR:** John Blackmon, Sylacauga High School, 701 N. Broadway, Sylacauga, AL 35150**Phone:** 256-249-0911, 251-455-65979 (cell) or 256-249-0066 (home)**Fax:** 256-245-1026. **Email:** blackmonj@sylacauga.k12.al.us**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:** To be named.**COACHES' MEETING:** 7 p.m. April 26 at host motel

### CLASS 5A

**DATE:** April 27-28  
**SITE:** Mobile – Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)  
**DIRECTOR:** Sean Stevens, Sylacauga High School. Fax all entries to Joe Walding at 205-439-1201.  
**Phone:** 256-245-0376 or 205-335-2386.  
**Email:** stevensj@sylacauga.k12.al.us  
**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:** Leslie Sellers, Vestavia Hills  
**COACHES' MEETING:** 7 p.m. April 26 at host motel

### CLASS 6A

**DATE:** April 27-28  
**SITE:** Mobile - Mobile Tennis Center (Court fee: \$20 per team)  
**DIRECTOR:** Marty Smith, Clay-Chalkville High School, 6623 Roe Chandler Road, Pinson, AL 65216  
**Phone:** 205-379-3050 or 205-438-1210 (cell). **Fax:** 205-680-8128  
**Email:** martysmith@jefcoed.com **Email:** smithuagrad@aol.com  
**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:** Donna Robinett, Birmingham  
**COACHES' MEETING:** 7 p.m. April 26 at host motel

### IMPORTANT NOTES FOR HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS PLAYERS

A student who is participating on a high school tennis team should be instructed in the following AHSAA rules:

- (a) **Amateur Rule:** Cash or merchandise may not be accepted by a high school team member for participation in tennis. (This includes tennis balls, equipment, etc. Deferred receipt thereof is not legal and may affect a student's eligibility in other school sports.)
- (b) **Independent Rule:** After a school tennis team's season starts, a member of its team may participate as an independent in outside activities (number not limited) on non-school days during the tennis season. The outside participation is permitted only during the regular season and is coordinated with the school schedule at the discretion of the coach.

