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STATE TENNIS TOURNAMENT
September 29, 30 & October 1, 2016
GILLETTE

The State Tennis Tournament will be held in Gillette beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 29 – Saturday, October 1, 2016. Cliff Hill, Director of Activities for Campbell County School District, will serve as Meet Director.

Seeds will be based on WHSAA Regional tennis results as per WHSAA Rules 7.13.51. The tournament meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 28th, at the CCHS North Campus. Dinner will be served.

Each school should bring a court squeegee and will be responsible for the following courts:

CCHS North Campus (east to west):
Court #1 – Campbell County
Court #2 – Rock Springs
Court #3 – Cody
Court #4 – Riverton
Court #5 – Powell

CCHS South Campus (west to east):
Court #1 – Cheyenne South
Court #2 – Sheridan
Court #3 – Natrona
Court #4 – Kelly Walsh

Bicentennial Courts:
Court #1 – Cheyenne Central
Court #2 – Laramie
Court #3 – Green River
Court #4 – Rawlins
Court #5 – Cheyenne East
Court #6 – Jackson/Torrington

MATCH LOCATIONS:

Thursday and Friday

Campbell County Recreation Center ~ #1 Singles & #2 Singles
North Campus ~ #2 Singles and #2 Doubles
South Campus ~ #1 Doubles & #3 Doubles
Bicentennial Courts ~ #2 Doubles and #3 Doubles

Saturday ~ All rounds at the Recreation Center.

ENTRIES

All entries in the regional tennis tournament will advance to the State Meet unless otherwise disqualified.

Players are required to play the same position at the State Tournament as they did at the regional tournament. As per WHSAA Rule 7.13.8, if a player is unable to continue in state tournament play it will be possible to substitute the alternate listed on the WHSAA Tennis Entry Form during tournament play under the following criteria:

1. The match being played would be defaulted
2. The alternate would remain in the substituted spot throughout the remainder of the meet.

TOURNAMENT BRACKET AND RULES

Please refer to the WHSAA Handbook, pages 67-69, for the tournament format.

The rules, as established by the United States Lawn Tennis Association, shall prevail except where modified by the Wyoming High School Activities Association. Once play has begun in a match, it will be continuous with no break unless permitted by the referee. The default time is reduced to 15 minutes. Only tennis balls furnished by the WHSAA (Penn high altitude balls) may be used during the tournament. The referee shall have authority to appoint service and line officials as he deems necessary. The above format and rules may be altered at the discretion of the Tournament Director, i.e., weather conditions for expeditious conducting of the tournament as per WHSAA Rule 7.13.54.

AWARDS

The WHSAA will present medals to the top four place winners in each bracket. Team trophies will also be presented for the first, second, third and fourth place teams. The team trophies will be awarded on the basis of the total team points. Awards will be presented following the championship matches on Saturday.

WARM-UP TIME

Ten minute warm-up rule will be enforced.

CHAIRS ON COURT

Players will not be allowed to take chairs out on the court for change-overs or split sets.

2016 STATE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tournament Director: Cliff Hill, Director of Activities, Campbell County School District

Tournament Schedule: The starting times for all days will be at 8:30 a.m. **We will fill the courts as they become open so players should not leave the facilities for any extended period.** Please allow yourself enough preparation time so you are ready at starting time. There will be an awards presentation at the Recreation Center courts following the final matches on Saturday.

State Tennis Tournament Rules and Regulations

1. During the course of the match to swear at an official, a spectator, or an opponent in a voice that can be heard by any such other person; to use profanity or obscene language in any way that may be heard by other persons; to use obscene gestures; to threaten bodily injury on anyone; means automatic disqualification from any further competition in the tournament.
2. Play will be continuous. One minute change over, when you may towel off, get a drink, as long as you do not take over one minute to do so. ****Continuous play after the 1st game in each set. This is not to be a one minute change over.**
3. Players are not permitted to leave the court during a match.
4. No coaching players except during the ten-minute break between split sets.
5. Twelve-point tiebreaker will be used when games reach 6-6. The serving order stays the same as it was during the set. The person's turn to serve is first server. First server serves one point from the deuce (forehand court). After the first serve, the person's turn to serve next serves two points beginning in ad court (backhand), serves one point from ad court, one point from deuce court. Every player will serve two points with the exception of the first, who only serves one point. The service begins in the ad court for every play except the first. One team must reach seven points and be ahead by two points to win the set. After six points are served, players change ends of the court. If play is tied at six, all players change ends of the court again.

The person who served the first point of the tiebreaker is charged with the game.

6. One can of balls will be used for each match, the winner of the match has the responsibility to return the balls and report the scores. Turn score cards into the scorer's table at each site. Cards will be color coded: purple = Thursday, tan = Friday, blue = Saturday.
7. No one is permitted on the court except the individuals that are playing.
8. If there are any major discrepancies over calls, **a player** may ask the umpire for assistance. **Officials on the court will only overrule an incorrect "Out" call if they are absolutely positive the call was incorrect. Unfortunately, it is possible for a fan, coach, or player to have a better angle on certain line calls. Ultimately, it is the player's responsibility to get the call correct, and give the opponent the benefit of any doubt.**

Out and Let calls should be made immediately and audibly to prevent confusion.

Server needs to call the score loud enough for the opponent to hear prior to 1st serves. Compliance with these two items generally prevents most scoring issues and confusion.

9. There will be a maximum of ten minutes for warm-up before each match.
Players must report when called. If they are not on time to report, the player(s) that have reported will be sent to the court for warm-up. The penalty system for reporting late will be the following:
Up to 5 minutes – forfeit one game
From 5 – 10 minutes – forfeit two games
From 10 – 15 minutes – forfeit three games
After 15 minutes – forfeit the match

Program Pictures: Please e-mail your color team picture to Traci Chick (tchick@ccsd.k12.wy.us) by Wednesday, September 21st. Identify names in the picture.

Coaches Meeting: There will be a meeting for coaches, officials, and administrators at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 28th at the Campbell County High School North Campus, 1000 Camel Drive. Dinner will be served.

Competition Sites: Campbell County Recreation Center, CCHS North Campus, CCHS South Campus and Bicentennial Park – map is included. Meet headquarters will be at the Recreation Center in the meet results room in the Field House.

Updated Brackets: Scores will be reported from all sites to meet headquarters and updated as they arrive on the www.whsaa.org web site.

Restrooms: Restrooms will be available at all sites.

Athletic Trainer: A Licensed Athletic Trainer will be on call throughout the tournament.

Parking: Parent and fan parking is available on the East and South sides of the Field House. Team buses may drop off athletes and equipment on the North side of the Field House. Buses should park in the five (5) bus parking spots on the North side of the Field House, along College Dr. to the North of the Field House, or in the South Campus High School parking lot across Enzi Drive. ***At South Campus, due to construction, busses and parents/fans will have to park in the east parking lot. Buses will be allowed to drop off and pick up tennis players on the south side of the courts, but no parking by buses or parents/fans will be allowed.***

Hospitality: There will be hospitality available each day at all sites for coaches and officials. Pizzas will be available for all teams at the awards ceremony on Saturday.

Awards Ceremony: The award's ceremony will be held immediately following the last championship match at the Recreation Center courts.

Umpires: Qualified umpires will be present at the tournament.

State Tournament T-Shirts: Fine Designs will be selling official state tournament t-shirts at the Recreation Center and Centennial Park.