

To: District 2 High Schools
From: Mike Ognosky, District II Boys Tennis Tournament Director
Subject: 2024 Tennis Championships for Boys- Singles, Doubles, and Team

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP-

Quarterfinals held on **Wednesday, 5/1** @ Higher Seed
Semifinals and Finals held on **Friday, 5/3** at Kirby Park.
AA Semifinals @ 11:30; AAA Semifinals @ 1 p.m. Finals to follow.
The site for the Team Championships will be at Kirby Park.

**First Round of the PIAA State Team Championships is Tuesday, May 14th.
Team PIAA Championships are on Fri/Sat May 17th & 18th.**

SINGLES- **Tuesday, 5/7** (First three rounds) - 9 a.m.

AA – Kirby Park

AAA – Wilkes University

Semifinals and Finals- **Wednesday, 5/8** (1 P.M. Kirby Park)

DOUBLES- **Monday, 5/13** (First three rounds) – 9 a.m.

AA – Kirby Park

AAA – Wilkes University

Semifinals and finals- **Wednesday, 5/15** (1 P.M. Kirby Park)

Singles' and Doubles' PIAA Championships are on Fri/Sat, May 24th & 25th.

SEEDING MEETING- Singles & Doubles

7 P.M. **Thursday, May 2** @ Dunmore High School

OPENING ROUND SITES- Kirby Park
Wilkes

OPENING ROUND TIMES- Warm ups- 8:15 A.M. to 9A.M.
Coaches Meeting- 8:45 A.M. at Kirby Park

FIRST ROUND MATCHES WILL START PROMPTLY AT 9 A.M.

SEMIFINAL & FINAL SITES- Outdoor- Kirby Park
Indoor- Birchwood Racquet Club
Indoor- Wyoming Valley Racquet Club

Schools may submit two singles entrants and two doubles teams. The District singles representative(s) in state competition may not participate in the doubles competition.

Schools who do not sponsor a tennis team may participate in the singles competition only. The fields (AA and AAA) for the singles tournament will include two entrants from each member school plus at-large bids from schools that submit entrants but do not sponsor a team. Emails were sent out to every school in District 2 so we must see who responds before the pairings can be completed. The fields may also be increased with the addition of at-large individuals to the fields.

In order to establish singles and doubles draw with provisions for proper seeds, return enclosed seeding information form with the names, position on the team if available, current record, names of opponents, scores of matches, 2021 Summer Tournament Results of your entries by Saturday, **April 27th**. All coaches are invited to a seeding meeting and formation of singles draw to be held at 7 P.M. on Thursday, **May 2nd** at Dunmore High School. Doubles seeding and draw to be finalized with the completion of the singles' tournament.

By **Saturday, April 27th** all entry fees (\$8.00 for each participant) must be received with registration form (no one will be allowed to participate unless the fee has been paid in advance) to the tournament chair.

Send registration form and seeding form to:

Mike Ognosky
544 School Road
New Milford PA 18834
(607) 237-9263 cell

- ❖ **Make checks payable to: District 2 PIAA.**
- ❖ **Each participant is to bring a new can of approved USTA tennis balls.**
- ❖ **Medals will be awarded to the first through third place finishers.**

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. IF NO SEEDING SHEET IS SUBMITTED FOR EITHER SINGLES OR DOUBLES, NO SEED WILL BE GIVEN.
2. Teams and team members are to report immediately to the court assigned.
3. COACHES ARE NEEDED TO CLEAN THE COURTS AT KIRBY PARK. PLEASE REPORT AT 8:00 AND BRING A BROOM OR LEAF BLOWER SO THAT THE MATCHES CAN BEGIN AT 9:00.
4. All participants must be accompanied by a school representative or appointed coach.

5. After participants are eliminated from the tournament, they are expected to return to their respective schools.
6. Every participant is to be dressed in their proper school uniform. According to the P.I.A.A. all contestants are required to wear the appropriate tennis attire (i.e. school issued tennis shirt and shorts). No exceptions are permitted. T-shirts without school name/nickname, altered apparel, jeans and advertisements (other than one visible logo/trademark not exceeding 2 ¼ square inches and 2 ¼ inches in any dimension on cap, headband, visor, school issued tennis shirt, and shorts or skirt; and/or a school's name/nickname will not be permitted. **The use of tape for the purpose of covering a logo that does not meet the aforementioned specifications will not be permitted.** The school's name/nickname and/or the school's logo are permitted on the front and/or back of the school issued tennis shirt. **Shoes with soles that leave discolored markings on the competition surface are prohibited.**
7. **In case of inclement weather, all postponement information will appear immediately at www.piaad2.org .**

PIAA DISTRICT 2 TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS
TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Schools may submit two singles entrants and two doubles teams. Schools, which do not sponsor a tennis team, may participate in the singles tournament only. The District singles representative(s) in the State Tournament may not participate in the doubles event.
2. Each participant is to bring a new can of approved USTA tennis balls.
3. Players are required to begin play after a ten (10) minute warm up period.
4. All matches will consist of best of three (3) sets. Players may leave the court area for five (5) minutes if they split sets.
5. A twelve (12) point tiebreaker will be used if set scores go to six-all in games.
6. There will be no ad until the semifinal and final matches. Ad will be used in all matches in which a state berth will be at stake.
7. A 'chair' may be used in the semifinals and finals. **Players will continue to call their match.** The 'chair' will only serve to break disputes.
8. Contestants should check with the Tournament Directors for the scheduled starting time of their matches. Any player failing to report for a match on time may be eliminated from the tournament.
9. All players are expected to call their matches without incident. If a problem develops, a request for help should be made to the tournament directors by the contestants.
10. Although this tournament is not sponsored by the USTA, the USTA rules will govern all play. During the PIAA tennis championships, the USTA point penalty system will be followed. The purpose of this system is to deter, not punish, unsportsmanlike conduct.... including tardiness.

USTA POINT PENALTY SYSTEM
(PIAA MODIFIED)

DELAY OF GAME

For violations of delay of game:

- (a) At change over or other times, stalling, prolonging argument over decision, injury time out.
- (b) Failure to start play after expiration of established warm up period of ten (10) minutes.

PENALTY: first offense, warning; second offense, one point; third offense, one game; fourth offense, default.

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

- (a) Profane or obscene language or gestures, when not directed at a person or persons: first offense, warning; second offense, one point; third offense, one game; fourth offense, default.

When directed at an official, opponent, or spectator(s):

First offense, one point; second offense, one game; third offense, default

- (b) Abuse of racket, balls, equipment: such as hitting or kicking ball out of court; first offense, warning; second offense, one point; third offense, one game; fourth offense, default.
- (c) Major unsportsmanlike acts, such as hitting a ball at or near an official, ball boy, linesman, or spectator(s), or intentional racquet dropping to disconcert an opponent: first offense, two points; second offense, one game; third offense, default.

TARDINESS

A player will be penalized one game for each five minutes or fraction thereof, of tardiness from the time the match is called and both court and opponent are ready; this does not rule out liability to outright default of fifteen (15) minutes of unexcused lateness beyond the set deadline.

District 2 PIAA Boys' Tennis Championships
SINGLES & DOUBLES

REGISTRATION FORM:

Name of School: _____

Address: _____

Town/Zip Code: _____

Coach's Name: _____

Phone Numbers: _____

Coach: List home, work, and cell phone numbers in case of inclement weather

*Cost is \$8.00 for each participant

| | PIAA ENTRY FEE | SCHOOL FEE |
|--|----------------------|---------------|
| SINGLE'S ENTREE: 1. _____ (last name, first name, m.i.) | \$8.00 | _____ |
| 2. _____ (last name, first name, m.i.) | \$8.00 | _____ |
| DOUBLE'S TEAM: 1. _____ (last name, first name, m.i.) | \$8.00 | _____ |
| _____ | \$8.00 | _____ |
| (last name, first name, m.i.) | | |
| 2. _____ | \$8.00 | _____ |
| (last name, first name, m.i.) | | |
| _____ | \$8.00 | _____ |
| (last name, first name, m.i.) | | |

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

Make check payable to PIAA DISTRICT II

(Date)

Signature of School Official)

Return to: Mike Ognosky
544 School Road
New Milford PA 18834

Information must be received no later than April 27, 2024.

District 2 PIAA Boys' Tennis Championships
SINGLES & DOUBLES

SEEDING FORM

If you have a participant for the 2024 District 2 PIAA Tennis Championships for Boys whom you feel should be given recognition for seeding for the tournament, please fill out the information below:

NAME OF PLAYER _____
(Last Name, First Name, Grade)

NAME OF SCHOOL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TOWN / ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

COACH'S NAME: _____

POSITION ON TEAM _____ CURRENT RECORD _____
(W-L)

LEAGUE PLAY:

| | | | | |
|------------------|-----|------------|----------|---------|
| _____ | vs. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| (name of player) | | (opponent) | (school) | (score) |
| | vs. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | vs. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | vs. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | vs. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | vs. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | vs. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | vs. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | vs. | _____ | _____ | _____ |

SPECIAL AWARDS OR RANKING: _____

This form may be duplicated in order to submit the appropriate number of seeds. If no form is submitted, no seed will be given. When submitting names and seeding sheets for doubles, please do so with the intent that your player will not win the singles tournament. That way, accurate seeds can be given. If your player does win the singles tournament, only then will we make an adjustment to your doubles team.

INFORMATION ON TEAM TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Seeding for both the AA and AAA tournaments will be done utilizing the District II Power Ranking System. The top 8 teams in each classification will qualify for the tournament as well as any other team with an overall record of .500 or better.

First Round **Friday, 4/26 (if necessary, >8 teams)**
Quarterfinals **Monday, 4/29**

The semifinals and finals will be held at Kirby Park on **Wednesday, 5/1**. The AA Semifinal matches will begin promptly at 11:30 a.m. and the AAA matches to begin at approximately 12:45 p.m. The finals will then begin exactly one hour after the completion of the last semifinal match. When the pairings and sites have been determined, your athletic director will be notified if your team has qualified. Please remember to bring enough tennis balls in order to play the match should your team qualify.

You can follow the tennis results and seeding standings on the District II webpage throughout the season. Go to www.piaad2.org and the “Power Ranking Story” on the front page. Click on District II Power Ranking Fan Page and then Boys Tennis for the standings and results.

