



## AREA-WIDE SPRING TEAM TENNIS - PARENT INFO

### 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grades (April 16-May 20)

The structure and format of the program provides opportunity for a successful and fun experience for all students. The intent is to develop **play** as a main goal as well as fine tune technique and skills.

**Teams** - Will be assigned by school affiliation. You will hear from your Coach confirming your team the week of April 9. Some schools may combine as needed. Teams will be awarded “points” each week for accomplishment. End of season winning teams will receive a plaque to present their school.

- **JV teams** – those with little, no match experience or “ICCL” only experience will be exposed to competition in a team format using tennis skills as well as abbreviated play settings. Each match will be 30 minutes of practice, followed by 30 minutes of play.
- **Varsity** - those with **match** experience (can serve, rally, play and keep score on full size court) will compete in a friendly, yet competitive team match format. 15 min warm up & 60 min play.

**Match Times/Location:** Most matches will start at 5:00pm & 6:00pm at Leeper Park (behind Memorial Hospital, across from Madison School). Saturday matches will start at 9:00am and 10:00am. Sunday matches will be at 1:30 & 2:30. All matches will be for 60-75 minutes. Concessions will be available. The League Coordinator or Assistant will be present at all match days to oversee facilitation and give support.

#### **Recommendations:**

Dress warm in layers, but be able to move☺. Tennis shoes that will not leave marks on the courts are necessary. Pants or shorts **with pockets** are recommended but not required for storing a ball for serving. Label your equipment including racquet. Many of the racquets will look alike. Bring a water jug.

**Weather cancellations:** Like South Bend Racquet Club facebook for notifications.

In the event of rain or threatening weather, matches will be canceled up to 1 hour prior to match time and will be communicated through your coach. Please contact your **team coach** for updates. Do not call the Leeper Center unless you are a coach. Additionally, it may be raining where you are but not at the courts and vice versa. If it has been raining on match day, any help will be appreciated to “roll” water off the courts. We will be using a “Facebook Page” to help communicate any cancellations.

#### **COACHING DESCRIPTION: A VOLUNTEER COACH IS REQUIRED FOR EACH TEAM:**

**Tennis experience is NOT needed.** **Contact the League Coordinator, Patty Schrock to volunteer.**

You will receive a roster with player names and contact information by March 28.

Contact all of your team players to let them know match dates and team updates.

Communicate throughout the season with team members/parents of any cancellations & updates.

Additional practices outside of match dates are optional. (Match dates include “practice” time before each competition for JV) You will receive practice plans at the coaches training.

Administrate at match dates and record scores, turning them in to the league coordinator.

Attend the coaches training. Submit “Safe Play” screening at netgeneration.com asap

You will receive weekly communications from the League Coordinator by email.

## REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN THROUGH **MARCH 28**

**Registration forms** should be submitted on line at [www.sbrctennis.com](http://www.sbrctennis.com). Use the ICCL icons in the right menu under news/events. Please bring the ICCL waiver & student athletic agreement (forms are available on the ICCL website) to the first practice.

**Program fee** is \$37 which includes a RACQUET; t-shirt; drawstring bag; all matches; balls and end of season party. **If you DO NOT need a racquet, use this discount code (noracq) to pay \$25.**

IMPORTANT: IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR DIFFICULTY WITH THE WEBSITE LINK...PLEASE CONTACT ME. I AM HAPPY TO ASSIST. THOSE THAT ARE NOT ABLE TO USE THE WEBSITE, MAY PAY AT THE FIRST PRACTICE AND GET COMPUTER ASSISTANCE. PARENT MUST BE PRESENT.

### Special Dates Of Note...

**Pre-season instruction** is available at South Bend Racquet Club if desired. 574-277-1000.

**Sunday, April 15 - Coaches Training 4:00pm at South Bend Racquet Club**

**Monday, April 16 – Practice Week & equipment distribution**

**Saturday, April 21 – Matches start**

**Sunday, May 20– End of Season Awards, Party and Free Play**

Family play and refreshments along with recognition of teams & players. 6:00-7:00 pm

### League Coordinator

Patty Schrock email: [schrocktennis@aol.com](mailto:schrocktennis@aol.com) (preferred)

574-304-2050 cell

### ICCL Tennis Sports Rep

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