

## CONNECTICUT INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

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### **2023 CIAC Boys Tennis Packet**

During this offseason, the CIAC Boys Tennis Committee conducted a survey among tennis coaches and athletic directors to determine the format of the Class Tournament and Open/Invitational for 2023 and possibly beyond. The final vote tally slightly favored a Head to Head format for the Class tournament, but also indicated that the Hybrid proposal may be viable in future years with additional information and education for coaches and AD's.

For 2023, the format of the tournament will be the same as 2022 – the **Class Tournament** will be a team vs team, single elimination event where teams are paired according to their records. Each division will recognize a team champion and runner-up. The divisions are as follows: Class LL, Class L, Class M, Class S. The second tournament will be the **Boys State Tennis Invitational** that will be offered to an elite group of singles (48) and doubles (24) teams. That tournament is described later in this document. The primary goal of the postseason tournaments is to provide a challenging and fair experience in a safe environment for players, coaches and spectators that identifies the best tennis teams and individual players in the state.

Please read and review the rules below and if you have questions, contact the tournament director, Jim Solomon, at (860) 716-7123 or [jfsol@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfsol@sbcglobal.net).

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#### 1. **Dates – 2023 Class Tournament**

Friday, May 26	Opening Round and First Round for teams with no Opening Round
Saturday, May 27	First Round (16) for those with Opening Round matches
Sunday, May 28	Rain Date
Tuesday, May 30	Quarter-finals
Wednesday, May 31	Semi-finals
Thursday, June 1	Finals – Wesleyan University
Friday, June 2	Rain Date
Saturday, June 3	Rain Date

Note: If rain cancels matches, two rounds may be scheduled on the same day. In the event of inclement weather, the affected teams have the option with mutual consent of scheduling the match at an indoor facility. The indoor court surface must be consistent with outdoor hard court surfaces, e.g., HarTru; carpeted and grass surfaces are not permitted. The cost is to be shared by the two competing teams.

#### 2. **Qualification Standards**

- a. Only CIAC member schools may enter these tournaments.
- b. To be eligible for consideration a team must play a minimum of **ten (10)** matches and have won 40% or more of the total matches scheduled.
- c. Only matches played with CIAC member schools or eligible out-of-state schools shall be considered. Out-of-state schools must be members of their state athletic association and must be approved by their state department of education.

d. Only the first two matches against the same opponent will be counted. No matches played after **Wednesday, May 24, 2023** will be counted. Scores must be submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center. **Please add individual results as requested.**

3. **Pairings Information** – The pairings for each division will be:

<u>Upper Half</u>	<u>Lower Half</u>
1 vs 16	3 vs 14
9 vs 8	11 vs 6
5 vs 12	7 vs 10
13 vs 4	2 vs 15

a. If more than sixteen teams qualify, pairings will begin with 16 vs 17; 15 vs 18, etc.

b. The ranking of teams will be determined by winning percentage. Teams having the same winning percentage will be ranked, in order, by total wins then head-to-head. If a tie still exists, then draw placement will be determined by lottery.

c. Announcements of rankings and pairings will be made by **3:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 25, 2023** via the CIAC web site – [www.ciacsports.com](http://www.ciacsports.com).

4. **Sites** – Matches will be located at the site of the higher ranked team (if that school has at least four (4) courts). The Team Tournament Class finals will be held at **Wesleyan University**. Host sites are reminded to have the Site Director greet competing teams at least thirty (30) minutes prior to scheduled match time. Host schools must provide adequate restroom facilities.

5. **Rules of Play** – Players will follow the rules of tennis as outlined by the USTA unless modified by the CIAC. This will include penalties for misconduct and poor sportsmanship as defined by the USTA (see Point Penalties for USTA Junior Tournaments) and in **Friend of the Court**. The penalty for first offense is the loss of point; loss of game for second offense, and default for third offense. A player that receives a default is subject to the CIAC ejection policy which would mean the player cannot participate in the next scheduled contest. Since officials will only be available in later rounds, it is imperative that players, coaches and spectators adhere to the highest standards of sportsmanship that is outlined later in this packet. Our sport has traditionally been a model of good sportsmanship.

6. **Formats and Forfeits** – A team match will consist of seven (7) points determined by playing four singles and three doubles matches. A team's lineup must be configured in **order of strength**, meaning that the #1 singles player must be better than or equal to #2 and so forth and should reflect true positions where players have competed for the majority of the season (**8 matches or 50% of the team's scheduled matches**). The doubles team must be arranged similarly. A singles player or doubles team that has been nominated for the Invitational Tournament must play in the Team tournament in that position (#1 and #2 singles; #1 and #2 doubles). A team should keep its lineup configured the same way for the entire tournament unless a substitution is needed because of injury or for other approved reasons. Any alterations must keep the **order of strength** and must be brought to the attention of the site director and tournament director immediately and must be approved before the next match begins. **Stacking a lineup is unethical and may result in disqualification.**

All singles and doubles matches will be decided by two out of three sets, with a 12 point tie break at 6-6 in each set. All individual matches must be played to their conclusion; if the match outcome has been determined, shortened scoring may be used for any unfinished individual match (10 point tiebreak in lieu of a 3<sup>rd</sup> set or an 8 game pro set if the individual match has not begun). A team not having personnel to contest each of the seven points will forfeit a point each time they fail to put a player or players on the court to contest that point. A team must forfeit #4 singles or #3 doubles first, then move in reverse order if additional forfeits must occur. Please contact the site and tournament director (coaches or school officials only) for clarification.

7. **Breaks Between Sets** – A two (2) minute, on court break shall occur between the first and second set. A ten-minute break must occur if requested by any player between the second and third set. Each player will be entitled to a forty-five (45) minute break between matches. For three (3) set matches the two hour recovery rule will be in effect if two matches are played on one day.
8. **Coaching** – Coaching is allowed on 90 second changeovers (not after the first game of each set), during the two minute on court set break, and during the ten minute break between second and third sets. Only the team's certified coaches or school representative may coach a player on the team. Each team **MUST** be accompanied by the team coach or school faculty member duly appointed by the school principal. Failure to comply with this regulation could result in a team forfeit.
9. **Matches Per Day and Postponements** – Teams will be required to play no more than two team matches in one day. Teams will be required to play on consecutive days unless there is postponement due to weather or other unforeseen emergencies. **If two matches must be played on one day, then the format will be two out of three sets with a 10 point tie break in lieu of a third set**, as determined by the site and tournament director.
10. **Balls** – Each team will be required to bring seven (7) cans of yellow WILSON balls to the first round matches. The winning team will take the unopened cans into the next round. New balls for a third set are allowed if both coaches agree.
11. **Reporting Scores** – The coach of each advancing team must contact the Division Director, the Tournament Director and the CIAC immediately at the conclusion of the match (7 p.m.) The scores of all individual matches will be reported at that time.
12. **Food and Beverages** – Teams must provide their own food and beverages at the sites. Don't count on the availability of either food or beverages at the sites. Carry out what you carry in please – help pick up and do not leave the premises before the site is pristine.
13. **Authority and Protest** – The decision of the Tournament Director and the Boys Tennis Committee relative to the operation of the tournament shall be final. **Protest** – Protests involving "Tournament Regulations" and/or match play will be adjudicated by the Tournament Director, the Committee Chair and a CIAC Executive staff member. **Remember that according to USTA rules, a match that has been played in "good faith" rarely has the result overturned.**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION AND CIAC POLICIES**

14. **Entry Fee** – There will be a \$100 entry fee for every school that enters a team in the tournament. Checks are to be made payable to CIAC and mailed to 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410.
15. **Entry Form Submission**
  - a. A **Team Roster** can be submitted on the online eligibility center or the submit scores/forms option under the CIAC for coaches menu at ciacsports.com no later than Monday, May 22, 2023. List all matches scheduled to be played throughout the season on the Team Entry / Schedule Form. All scores of matches played shall be completed and entered online on the day of the match as soon as possible following the match's completion.
  - b. Failure to file a roster/entry form by Noon, Monday, **May 22, 2023** may result in disqualification.

- c. Any match score not submitted by **Wednesday, May 24, 2023** may be counted as a loss. Any match played on May 24, 2023 must be reported immediately after the conclusion of the match.
  - d. All matches to be considered for tournament ranking must be listed on the Team Schedule / Entry Form.
  - e. Member schools must make every effort to complete their season as scheduled, including make-up games. Any effort to gain an advantage in tournament play by not playing a game is unacceptable and is subject to action by the CIAC Board of Control. Cancellation of any regular season contest/make-up games to play in a league tournament will not be allowed.
16. **Cancelled Regular Season Matches** – A cancelled game shall not count for tournament qualification or rating unless the principals of the member schools submit a cancelled game/forfeit form found in the CIAC Handbook. Failure to do so will result in the match being declared “no contest”.
17. **Last Date for Qualifying Matches and Late Entry Policy** – All matches to count toward qualifying must be submitted on the web site by **Wednesday, May 24, 2023**. Matches played after this date and time will not count toward qualifying.
- a. No tournament entries will be accepted after the established deadline except those approved by the CIAC Board of Control.
  - b. Corrections requested by a school to an entry form that was submitted by the established deadline but prior to seeding/pairing data being published on the web site, will be assessed a fee of \$50 per correction to a maximum of \$250.
  - c. All requests for corrections must be submitted on a support ticket via the online eligibility center. A text, call or email should be made to the Tournament Director also but must be along with the support ticket to the CIAC.

All regular season matches must be entered online on the day of the match as soon as possible following the match’s completion. Scores may be entered via the Online Eligibility Center, the “Submit Scores/Forms” option of the “CIAC for Coaches” menu at [ciacsports.com](http://ciacsports.com), or the “Submit Scores” button in our [ciacmobile.com](http://ciacmobile.com) mobile site. Entering scores at [ciacsports.com](http://ciacsports.com) or [ciacmobile.com](http://ciacmobile.com) requires either a coach or scorekeeper’s access code; those codes are managed via the Online Eligibility Center and can be retrieved from a school’s athletic director.

18. **Tournament Regulations Violations** – If a school fails to comply with tournament regulations and such requires the CIAC tournament sports committee, central office staff, or the CIAC Board of Control to redo any portion of the tournament pairings or such non-compliance adversely impacts the management of the tournament, an administrative violation fee of \$500 will be imposed upon the school before entry into the tournament will be allowed.
19. **Students with Special Needs** – Coaches are reminded to inform contest officials prior to each competition of any student with special needs who could be competing in the contest when his/her disability could impact the individual’s performance or the conduct of the competition.
20. **Change of Division Request** – Any school wishing to participate in a higher division must submit via the password protected online eligibility center a change of division request form by April 1, 2023. Once a change of division has been made the school will be required to remain in that division for two (2) years.

21. **Testing Dates** – Coaches should inform players about SAT dates to avoid potential conflicts. All SAT players must be ready to compete at 1:00 p.m. unless granted extended time. Please be advised that because there are many options for student-athletes to take the SAT and ACT tests during the course of the school year, schools should make their teams aware of the CIAC tournament schedule that is posted three years in advance to avoid a conflict. Please plan ahead.

ACT Test Dates

April 15, 2023

June 10, 2023

July 15, 2023

SAT Test Dates

March 11, 2023

May 6, 2023

June 3, 2023

22. **Outside Competition** – Please review the rule about unattached competition. Players are allowed to compete in four outside events as individuals but must adhere to the three match per week rule and obtain advance permission from parents, the coach, the Athletic Director and the school principal. The starting date for this rule is the first day of the team’s schedule, its first match date.

23. **CIAC Tournament Site Media Policy** – The CIAC places tremendous value on the role the media plays in promoting and highlighting high school sports. To that purpose CIAC tournament venues and hosts should make every effort to provide a working environment conducive to all media (print, broadcast and internet based) covering our events. The following are minimum standards, developed in consultation with the CIAC Media Advisory Committee, which should be provided for working media at all CIAC tournament sites:

- 1) A minimum of one hour following the conclusion of post-game interviews to write in the press box, press area or a suitable facility in close proximity to the site of the event (i.e. office, classroom, etc.).
- 2) Access to electric power (shared power strip, etc.)
- 3) Access to wireless internet service.

Site directors should communicate these requirements to any staff person who may be responsible for the administration of the event. If for some reason a site will not be able to provide these items for a contest, a site representative should inform the CIAC in advance and work with the media on site before the game and work to provide a reasonable solution to the issue. Members of the media who will be covering events are directed to contact the appropriate site as far in advance as possible to inform them they will be at the event and discuss what arrangements will be made for working media at the site.

24. **Unmanned Aerial Systems at CIAC-Sanctioned Events** – The use of unmanned aerial systems, often referred to as drones, is prohibited for any purpose by any person(s) at all CIAC-sanctioned events. This policy includes not only the restricted playing area of the venue(s), but also the physical confines of the entire stadium / field / arena structure. For the purposes of this policy, an unmanned aerial system is any aircraft without a human pilot on board.
25. **Sportsmanship** – Member schools are expected to conduct their relations with each other at all levels of competition in a spirit of good sportsmanship. Everyone involved has the obligation to see clearly his/her influence and act accordingly. The CIAC acknowledges that the school administration is responsible for the athletic program, including the making of broad and specific policies and procedures relating to sportsmanship and the conduct of activities in the school. To that end, the CIAC urges each school principal to adopt the following sportsmanship procedures and standards for their school and to champion the “Class Act” sportsmanship program as these standards will be used in all CIAC post-season contests.

## CIAC Sportsmanship Guidelines

- a. The CIAC requests that all school personnel – administrators, faculty, and coaches – give special and specific emphasis about CIAC’s expectations for good sportsmanship during the regular season as well as CIAC tournaments requiring that athletes and members of the student body conduct themselves in a manner that reflects nothing but credit upon your school. Any unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of students and adults is unacceptable and will be addressed with strong and appropriate measures.
- b. The CIAC sportsmanship standards should be as widely disseminated as possible using the student-parent handbook, student-athlete handbook, school newspaper, parent newsletter, school web site and the local media.
  - The CIAC sportsmanship standards for spectators should be read by PA announcers prior to each contest.
  - The CIAC sportsmanship standards of conduct should be prominently posted at all sports venues.
  - When event programs are provided, the CIAC sportsmanship standards must be included.
- c. Member schools require having athletes, parents/guardians, sign an acknowledgement which would show that they have read the student-athlete handbook and understand the CIAC sportsmanship standards. Member schools work with community officials to ensure that levels of the CIAC sportsmanship standards are enforced when contests are held at their school and at non-school facilities.
- d. The CIAC and the CIAC sports committees insist the CIAC sportsmanship standards be rigorously enforced at all regular season contests and at all CIAC tournament contests. This is particularly important when contests are held at non-school sites.
- e. Member schools will conduct a pre-season meeting with student-athletes, coaches and parents to review the CIAC sportsmanship standards.
- f. Member schools should communicate with opposing schools and inform them they are a “Class Act School” and provide them with the CIAC sportsmanship standards which will be strictly adhered to.
- g. Member schools hosting a game should make available to visiting schools necessary game information – includes directions for parking, location of ticket booths, seating arrangement, ticket prices, game time, directions for each site.
- h. Member schools hosting a game should designate specific seating areas for students, bands, adults and visitors. If possible, opposing student bodies should be separated.
- i. Member schools hosting a game should arrange for adequate police supervision.
- j. When possible the member schools hosting a game should assign officials to dressing facilities separated from both teams. Provides escorts for the officials when it appears that disturbances may develop. Member schools should take measures to prevent fans from getting near or on the playing area and around the players benches. After the contest, prevent fans from going onto the playing area.
- k. Member schools should provide for adequate supervision of students and facilities. Supervisors should sit in the stands with the students.
- l. Member schools should support and adhere to ALL the following CIAC standards.

### **All Spectators (including parents)**

- a. Will adhere to the host school's acceptable dress code at all home and away contests commensurate with classroom behavior. For CIAC tournament contests all spectators will be appropriately attired with their torso completely covered and with no visible degrading or demeaning writings/logos.
- b. Any signs displayed must be positive in nature, reference only the school supported by the sign maker, and must be pre-approved by the Athletic Director of the school referenced in the sign.
- c. During outdoor sports, no air horns or horns of any kind or whistles will be used, and any other noisemakers will be allowed with the host athletic director's approval and only be used during "dead ball" situations to celebrate good play. During indoor sports, no noisemakers will be used. Pep bands are allowable at a home contest if the school provides adult supervision and the band only plays during "dead ball" situations.
- d. Spectators will cheer positively to support their team, and will not cheer negatively against the opponent. Spectators will show respect for the game officials and their decisions.
- e. Spectators will show respect for the playing of the National Anthem.

### **Game Personnel / Announcers**

- a. Will explain and consistently enforce host school expectations for spectators.
- b. Will be enthusiastic but not show favoritism while making announcements, and never publicly question or criticize the players, coaches, or officials.
- c. Will encourage respect for the National Anthem and remind spectators to remove caps and stand.

### **Coaches**

- a. Will exemplify high moral character, behavior and leadership, lead by example, and set a standard for players and spectators to follow both on and off the athletic arena.
- b. Will teach players the rules of the game and to respect the game, and will take action when athletes exhibit poor sportsmanship.
- c. Will respect the integrity and judgment of officials and will not publicly criticize or question the decisions of officials.
- d. Will be aware of the competitive balance of contests and will manage the score in a manner that is sportsmanlike and respectful of opponents.

### **Players**

- a. Will accept the responsibility and privilege the student-athlete has in representing their school and community by learning and showing teamwork, sportsmanship and discipline in all aspects of the game.
- b. Will demonstrate respect for self, coach, teammates, opponents, officials and spectators by exhibiting good character and conducting themselves as a positive role model.

- c. Will win and lose graciously.
- d. Will cheer for your team, not against your opponent.
- e. Will congratulate opponents in a sincere manner following either victory or defeat.

**THE FOLLOWING DATES ARE IMPORTANT FOR THE BOYS TEAM TENNIS TOURNAMENT:**

1. Saturday, April 1, 2023 – Matches cannot be added after this date.
2. Saturday, April 1, 2023 – Request for Change of Division Form Due via the password-protected online eligibility center – optional.
3. Monday, May 22, 2023 – 12:00 Noon – Team Entry / Roster Form Due via the password-protected online eligibility center
4. Wednesday, May 24, 2023 – Scores of matches not reported may be counted as losses.
5. Thursday, May 25, 2023 - Committee will meet at 8:00 a.m. for tournament pairings.
6. Thursday, May 25, 2023 – 3:00 p.m. – Team pairings and ranking information will be available on the CIAC web site. Information will contain sites, dates and times of matches as well as opponents.
7. **Friday, May 26, 2023** – Team tournament Opening Round.
8. **Thursday, June 1, 2023** – Team finals at Wesleyan University. Rain dates – Saturday/Sunday, June 3-4.

Tournament Director – James Solomon – [jfsol@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfsol@sbcglobal.net) or [Jim.Solomon@whps.org](mailto:Jim.Solomon@whps.org) -- Cell (860) 716-7123

**Please note: Only coaches or school officials can contact the tournament director or the site directors. Players and parents must go through the coach or school officials to contact the tournament or appropriate site director.**

Site Directors:

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## **2023 CIAC BOYS STATE TENNIS TOURNAMENT INVITATIONAL**

Tournament Director – James Solomon – [jfsol@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfsol@sbcglobal.net) or [Jim.Solomon@whps.org](mailto:Jim.Solomon@whps.org) – Cell (860) 716-7123

**Please note: Only coaches or school officials can contact the tournament director. Players and parents must go through the coach or school officials to contact the tournament director.**

The CIAC Boys Tennis Committee has approved the 2023 Boys State Tennis Tournament Invitational as its culminating event. This tournament will showcase the top **48 singles players and top 24 doubles** teams in the state.

**Criteria for Selection** – The Invitational seeks the best players in the state with representation from all leagues, divisions and sizes of school. Coaches will nominate singles or doubles players for consideration. The top two (2) singles players and top two (2) doubles teams are eligible for nomination if they have played a minimum of eight (8) matches or 50% of the team's scheduled matches in that position. The #1 position should have a winning record of 60% and the second position, 75% to be considered. The Boys Committee will ultimately determine the singles and doubles entries and reserves the right to invite a wild card entry as well as a substitute list. The Boys Committee will make the seedings and draws. In order to assist in the process, all coaches should enter individual scores for their regular season matches. Players will be selected on the basis of record, quality wins and losses, seniority and, in some cases, rankings. League representatives will also give input

**Nomination Process** – Coaches can nominate their #1 and #2 singles players and #1 and #2 doubles teams to be considered for the Invitational Tournament. The #1 position should have a winning record of 60% and the second position, 75% to be considered. The nomination form is located on the CIAC website with other tournament material. A nominee must have played a minimum of eight (8) matches or 50% of the team's scheduled matches in that position, with the same partner (doubles). Please include the players' names; their position on the team and, specifically, how many matches played at that position; their won and loss record at that position; significant wins and ALL LOSSES; additional information to consider. For doubles, the same winning percentages apply but they must be with the same partner. Please include the players' names; their position on the team, how many times they played in that position with the partner identified; their won/loss record at all positions (identified); significant wins and ALL LOSSES; additional information to consider. Nomination forms are due by **Wednesday, May 24, 2023**. **Please contact the Tournament Director (coaches or school officials only) if you have any questions.**

### **Entry Form**

- A. **Individual Invitational Nomination Form** must be submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center – no later than 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 24, 2023.
- B. Matches played after Wednesday, May 24, 2023 will not count. Do not include them in the report or the calculations to determine the win record.

### **Matches that Qualify**

- A. Only regular season play will be counted toward meeting the qualifying standard; however, league tournament results may be used for seeding.
- B. If a nominee has played both singles and doubles, only the singles match counts toward the players' singles record and only the doubles matches count toward the doubles record.

**Number of Entries Per School** – A school may nominate **one (1) #1 singles player and one (1) #2 singles player** who meet the minimum qualifying standard and **one (1) #1 and one #1) #2 doubles team** who meet the minimum qualifying standard in the Invitational Tournament. Consult the Tournament Director for questions about eligibility.

**Singles or Doubles** – No entrant may play in both singles and doubles.

**Location** – Wesleyan University

**Dates and Times**

**Note: Rain Dates may cause adjustments in schedule**

Monday, June 5	Opening Rounds – Singles and Doubles – 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, June 6	Round of 16 – 12:00 p.m.; Quarter-finals – 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, June 7	Semi-finals – 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, June 8	Finals – 3:30 p.m.
Friday, June 9	Rain Date
Saturday, June 10	Rain Date

**Entry Fee** – Fifteen dollars (\$15) for each singles player and/or \$30 for each doubles team entered must be sent to the CIAC, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410. If a school needs an invoice in order to pay its tournament fee, one can be downloaded by using the “Generate Tournament Invoice” link under the boys’ tennis options in the password-protected online eligibility center.

## **BOYS / GIRLS TENNIS GUIDELINES**

### **General Guidelines**

1. Hand sanitizer and wipes available at the courts.
2. The host should disinfect benches or seats at the site.
3. Everyone must wear masks when entering the court areas.
4. Host team will provide the tennis balls.
5. Athletic directors / school medical personnel should evaluate all pre-existing and current health conditions.
6. Refuse containers should be available on site.

### **Guidelines for Coaches**

1. Coaches must wear masks upon entering the court area, which includes the areas surrounding the courts.
2. Coaches must maintain social distance from all others.
3. No handshakes at any time.
4. No gum chewing, spitting or other unsanitary practices are permitted.
5. No pre- or post-game team meetings at the site.
6. Check with the host site ahead of time for any protocols that may apply to that facility.
7. Arrive at the assigned time and leave immediately upon the conclusion of your student-athletes competition.
8. Take individual water bottles, towels, etc.

### **Guidelines for Players**

1. No gum chewing, spitting or other unsanitary practices.
2. Clean and sanitize racquets before and after each match.
3. Clearly verbalize the score before each point.
4. Maintain social distancing if changing ends of the court and when taking a break. Crossover in a clockwise direction.
5. Do not shake hands after a match. Offer a verbal “good match” or a racquet tap at the end of a match.
6. Wear a mask at all times except when active on the court.
7. Do not share water bottles, towels or other items.
8. Be on time for matches and depart the court immediately after the match concludes.
9. Headbands, wristbands and caps are recommended to avoid contact with the face.
10. Hand sanitizer is to be used after a match concludes.
11. When playing doubles, coordinate with partners to maintain physical distancing.
12. Players should remain positive and refrain from any outbursts, and loud exclamations.

## Certifications / Coaching Certifications

### Required Coaching Certifications

- Coaching Education Overview: Required coaching certifications, including medical certifications, can be found at this link: <http://www.ctcoachinged.org/>
- Information on Coaching Permit Renewal for the State of Connecticut can be found at: <https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/Certification/Coaching-Permit-First-Time-Issuance>
- Temporary coaching permit application can be found at this link: [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Certification/Forms/ed\\_186.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Certification/Forms/ed_186.pdf)
- 5 Year coaching permit application can be found at this link: [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Certification/Forms/ed\\_185.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Certification/Forms/ed_185.pdf)
- Coaching Course Registration: <http://ctcoachinged.org/Permit.html>
- Sudden Cardiac Arrest Renewal: [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Certification/Coaching/coaches\\_sudden\\_cardiac\\_arrest\\_awareness\\_annual\\_review.pdf?la=en](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Certification/Coaching/coaches_sudden_cardiac_arrest_awareness_annual_review.pdf?la=en)
- Information on concussion training and certification can be found at this link: <http://www.ctcoachinged.org/concussionpage.html>
- Concussion Renewal Form: <https://casci.ac/8237>
- Mandated Reporter Training: <https://portal.ct.gov/DCF/Mandated-Reporter-Training/Home>
- EpiPen Training: <https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/preview-kits-anaphylaxis-epinephrine-auto-injector>
- Coaches Guide to Dehydration and Other Heat Illnesses: <https://www.nata.org/practice-patient-care/health-issues/heat-illness>
- Heat Illness Legislation for Coaches, Parents and Students: <https://www.cga.ct.gov/2021/ACT/PA/PDF/2021PA-00087-R--HB-06492-PA.PDF>
- Exertional Heat Illness Review for Coaches: <http://www.casciac.org/pdfs/22-23HeatIllnessReview.docx>

Volunteer Coaches – The state of Connecticut Department of Education does not distinguish between volunteer or paid coaches when considering certifications or responsibilities. All coaches who are responsible for, or instruct students in any way must follow Connecticut State Law for certifications and responsibilities. Therefore, volunteer coaches are required to obtain the same certifications as all other coaches.

## Boys Tennis 2023

### Class LL – 705 and Over (30)

Bridgeport Central	790
Danbury	1773
Darien	708
East Hartford	871
Enfield/Somers/AAE *	884
Fairfield Ludlowe	735
Fairfield Prep.	756
Fairfield Warde	743
Glastonbury	885
Greenwich	1348
Hamden	1009
Manchester	860
Meriden – Platt/Maloney *	1060
Naugatuck	705
New Britain	1357
New Haven – Wilbur Cross	838
Norwalk	811
Norwalk – Brien McMahon	987
Norwich Free Academy	995
Ridgefield	786
Southington	967
Stamford	1182
Stamford – Westhill	1317
Trumbull	1122
Waterbury – Crosby	795
Waterbury – Kennedy	759
West Hartford – Conard	721
West Hartford – Wm. Hall	741
West Haven	907
Westport – Staples	872

### Class L – 509 - 704 (30)

Bethel	509
Bristol Central	633
Bristol Eastern	548
Cheshire	637
Farmington	652
Groton – Fitch	597
Guilford	567
Hartford–Bulkeley/HMTCA/Weaver *	582
Middletown	625
Middletown – Xavier	644
Milford – Platt Tech.	527
Monroe – Masuk	527
New Canaan	651
New Haven – Hillhouse	585
New Milford	698
Newington	654
Newtown	690
North Haven	528
Shelton	666
Simsbury	666
South Windsor	660
Southbury – Pomperaug	573
Storrs – E.O. Smith	520
Stratford	586
Stratford – Bunnell	610
Torrington	512
Waterbury – Wilby	673
Wethersfield	583
Wilton	578
Woodbridge – Amity Reg.	699

### \*Co-op Team

#### No Team – L

Bridgeport – Bassick	548
Bridgeport – Warren Harding	670
Manchester – Cheney Tech.	536
Windsor	576

#### No Team – M

Ansonia – O’Brien Tech.	379
Bridgeport – Bullard-Havens	387
Hartford Public	498
Hartford – Weaver	398
Killingly – Ellis Tech.	479
Middletown – Vinal Tech.	365
New Britain – Goodwin Tech.	399
Norwich Tech.	412
Torrington – Wolcott Tech.	426
Waterbury – Kaynor Tech.	436

#### No Team – S

Achievement	139	Oxford	263
Amistad	354	Parish Hill	75
Ansonia	343	Plainfield	238
Bloomfield	267	Putnam	131
Classical	128	SMSA	196
Coventry	200	St. Paul	205
Comp Sci	202	Stafford	190
Derby	187	Seymour	330
Eli Whitney	338	Terryville	202
East Windsor	153	Tourtellotte	127
Griswold	250	University	264
Hale Ray	142	WCA	303
Innovation	237	Windham Tech	327
International	166	Wright Tech.	255
Kolbe-Cathedral	162		
Notre Dame, Ffld	208		

Class M – 353 - 508 (31)

Avon	474
Berlin	450
Branford	412
Brookfield	469
Burlington – Lewis Mills	364
Colchester – Bacon Academy	356
Danbury – Abbott Tech.	423
East Haven	436
East Lyme	500
Ellington	370
Groton – Grasso Tech.	400
Hartford – AI Prince Tech.	424
Hebron – RHAM	439
Ledyard	387
Madison – Daniel Hand	469
Meriden – Wilcox Tech.	467
Milford – Foran	306
Milford – Jonathan Law	421
New London	490
Redding – Joel Barlow	401
Rockville / Bolton *	474
Rocky Hill	353
Tolland	379
Wallingford – Lyman Hall	458
Wallingford – Sheehan	362
Waterford	379
Watertown	418
West Haven – Notre Dame	507
Weston	391
Windham	362
Woodstock Academy	500

Class S – Up to 352 (39)

Beacon Falls – Woodland	317
Canton / East Granby *	330
Clinton – Morgan	289
Cromwell	299
Danbury – Immaculate	174
Deep River – Valley Reg.	263
Durham – Coginchaug	178
East Hampton	257
Falls Village – Housatonic Valley	158
Granby Memorial	290
Hartford – Capital Prep	100
Higganum – Haddam-Killingworth	275
Killingly	344
Lebanon – Lyman Memorial	150
Litchfield	123
Litchfield – Wamogo	171
Manchester – East Catholic	214
Montville	278
New Fairfield	337
New Haven – Career	245
North Branford	216
Old Lyme	221
Old Saybrook	182
Plainville	348
Portland	155
Stonington	326
Suffield	318
Thomaston	85
Trumbull – St. Joseph	349
Uncasville – St. Bernard / Wheeler *	148
Washington – Shepaug Valley	151
Waterbury – Holy Cross	280
West Hartford – Northwest Catholic	230
Westbrook	118
Windsor Locks	222
Winsted – Gilbert	143
Winsted – N.W. Reg.	309
Wolcott	336
Woodbury – Nonnewaug	281