

2024 JTT State Championships

Coaches Meeting

July 15, 2024

12:30pm

LOGISTICS

PLAY SITES

- Hanes Park/Joe White Tennis Center
 - 14 Clay courts (HPC) and 6 Hard courts (HPH)
 - Tournament Headquarters
 - Site for medal presentations (near pro shop)
- Wake Forest Tennis Center
 - 8 Indoor (WFI) and 6 Outdoor (WFO)

WARM UP SITES

- Miller Park - 4 hard courts
- Polo Park – 3 hard courts
- Leinbach Park – 3 hard courts

PLAYER PARTY

- Winston-Salem Dash at Truist Stadium, 6pm
 - Free to players and coaches, RSVP's are necessary
 - Deadline for RSVP's is this Wednesday , July 17th at 11:59pm
 - Others may purchase discounted tickets through our link on-line
 - USTA NC staff will be at gates distributing tickets
 - If we get rain the party will be cancelled

10B = HPH

10I = HPH

10A = HPC

12B = HPC

12I = HPC

12A = HPC & HPH

14B = WFO

14I = HPC

18B = WFI & WFO

18I = WFI

HANES PARK/JOE WHITE TENNIS CENTER

- 625 W. End Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27104



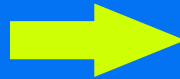
**PARKING
LOT**



**TRAINER &
T-SHIRT VENDOR**



HEADQUARTERS
• **BATHROOMS**



TOURNAMENT DESKS



- ONE @ CLAY COURTS,
- ONE @ HARD COURTS



WAKE FOREST TENNIS CENTER

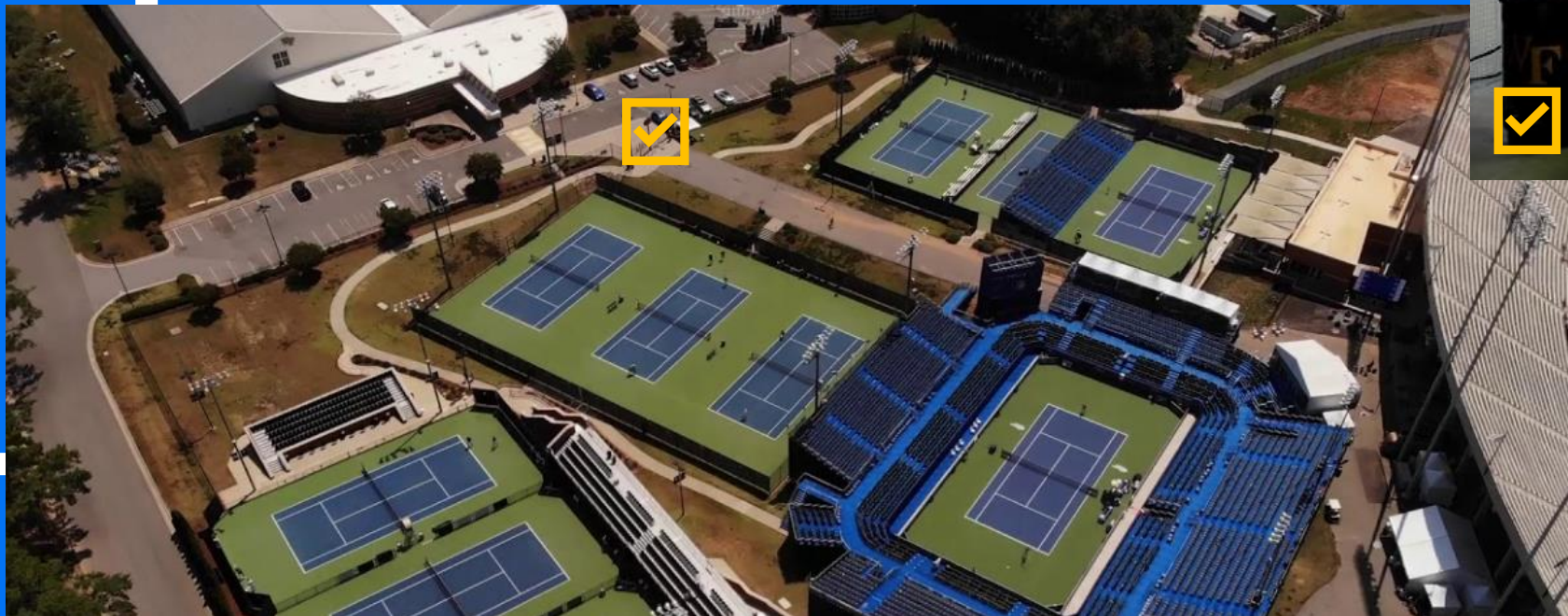
- 100 W Thirty-Second St, Winston-Salem, NC 27105



**INDOOR TENNIS
CENTER
& PARKING LOT**

TOURNAMENT DESKS

- ONE @ OUTDOOR COURTS
- ONE @ INDOOR COURTS




FOOTBALL FIELD

INFORMATION HUB

WEB-SITE @ WWW.NCTENNIS.COM/JTTSTATES

- Rules & Regs
- Schedule
- Standings (match results will be updated online by the end of each day)
- Weather updates

AWARDS

CHAMPIONS & FINALISTS

- Champions and Finalists will be awarded medals at HANES PARK.
- There will be opportunities for team pictures.

SPORTSMANSHIP

- At the end of each day, we will draw one female name and one male player to receive a special prize.
- These entries are submitted by coaches on the scorecards at the end of each match.

TEAM SPIRT

- At the end of each day the tournament staff will designate and award one team as the Team Spirit winner.
- Each team member will be given a prize.

TEAM SPIRIT

- Team spirit can be exhibited in many ways, team cheers, clothing, decorated tents and overall camaraderie.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY

- First matches begin at 10am
- Teams should arrive 30 minutes before match start time
- Coach folders, player and coach gifts available for pick up at the site of your first match.
 - Pick-up by coach only and must sign off
- Most matches should be completed between 4-5pm so players may attend the player party
- Player Party at the Winston-Salem DASH, gates open at 6pm

SATURDAY

- First matches begin at 8am
 - Teams should arrive 30 minutes before match start time,
- Most matches should be completed between 4-5pm
- Some divisions will be completed

SUNDAY

- First matches begin at 8:30am (most Finals)
- Teams should arrive 30 minutes before match start time,
- Matches should be completed by Noon

MATCH FORMAT

- Each match will be given 2 courts
- Total games won determines the team match winner.
- 1 singles and 1 doubles followed by 1 singles and 1 doubles
 - Players can only play in one singles match

SCORING FORMAT

- Individual matches play a short set to 6 games with no-ad scoring and a 7-point tiebreaker, win by 1, if the score becomes 5 all.

DETERMINING WINNERS

- The winner of each flight/division will be determined by the total number of games won.

TIEBREAK METHOD AT THE CONCLUSION OF ROUND-ROBIN

- If two teams are tied, head-to-head results.
- If three or more teams are tied: the least number of sets lost, then the least number of games lost, then, finally, a spin of the racquet.

SCORECARDS

COACHES - 15 MINUTES BEFORE THE MATCH

- You want to ensure your players are onsite – ready to play - before submitting your card.
- Submit your scorecard to the Tournament Desk 15 minutes prior to match start time

- Legibly write players FIRST and LAST names
 - Round 1 - a singles and a doubles; Round 2 - a singles and a doubles
 - Players can only play in one singles match. You can have a player play in both rounds of doubles.

- Once you have checked in, you have indicated you are ready to play – DO NOT LEAVE the area!
 - When the Site Coordinator has verified all information and has courts available, they will ask both coaches to come back to the tournament desk and exchange line-ups.
 - If courts opens early, the tournament desk may elect to put matches on as soon as possible to keep the tournament on schedule as best they can.
 - Teams are expected to get to their courts in a timely manner and have no more than a 5-minute warm-up.

SUBSTITUTIONS


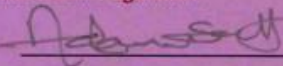
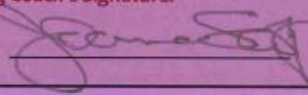
- No substitutions may be made in an individual match after the line-up has been presented, except for injury to, or illness of, a player prior to the start of such match.
- Substitutions must be addressed at the tournament desk and approved by the TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR.
 - If a substitution is made during the warm up, the substitute player is entitled to a 5-minute warm up.

COACHES - AFTER THE MATCH

- Both coaches must report to the tournament desk after every match.
- Turn in scorecards and balls
- Record Match Scores – Circle Winners
- Add up TOTAL GAMES WON
- Verify and Sign both cards - yours and your opponents
- **SUBMIT SPORTSMANSHIP NOMINEE**

SITE COORDINATOR

- Record Match Details (Match #, Day and Time)
- Verify First and Last Names
- After Match -
 - Verify Score – Games Won
 - Verify Winners for each match are circled
 - Verify Signatures

State Championships Greenville, NC July 15-17				(official use only)	
Division: <u>12</u>	Level: <u>INT</u>	NORTH CAROLINA		Match #: <u>123456</u>	Day: <u>7-15-22</u>
				Time: <u>10:00</u>	
Home Team: <u>Forehands</u>	SCORE:		Visiting Team: <u>Backhands</u>		
Singles: <u>Debbie Faults</u>	<u>6</u>	vs.	<u>3</u>	Singles: <u>Johnny Aces</u>	
Doubles: <u>Alex Wins</u> <u>Haley Drops</u>	<u>6</u>	vs.	<u>4</u>	Doubles: <u>Alice Loses</u> <u>Matt Slams</u>	
Singles: <u>Scott Shots</u>	<u>2</u>	vs.	<u>6</u>	Singles: <u>Randy Fallies</u>	
Doubles: <u>Nate Overhead</u> <u>Jessica Falls</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>6</u>	Doubles: <u>David Hits</u> <u>Mary Serves</u>	
Home Coach's Signature: 	Total Games Won: <u>15</u>		Total Games Won: <u>19</u>	Visiting Coach's Signature: 	
	Home		Away		
Sportsmanship Nominee: (from the opposing team) <u>Matt Slams</u>			1. All player names are to be listed as they appear in Tennis Link 2. All scores are to be filled in and winners are to be circled 3. Coaches MUST sign this card upon submission to the Tournament Desk		

COACHING

DURING MATCH

- Only one coach
- Wear vest and name tag
- Stay off courts during matches
- 90 seconds on the changeover
- No coaching after the first game

DURING TIEBREAKERS

- Review tiebreak procedure with players
- No Coaching and must stay off the court
- Encourage player independence
- If BOTH players don't know the tiebreak procedure, they may get help

PARENTS

- Parents and any other spectators ***CANNOT AND MAY NOT*** be consulted during any on-court match play discussions. Doing so may result in penalties assessed to the player(s) and/or possible removal of the parent(s) or spectator(s) from the premises.
- ***COACHING OR TALKING TO A PLAYER BY ANYONE OTHER THAN THE TEAM COACH IS NOT PERMITTED!***

10U BEGINNER MONITORS

- Court monitors will be provided for 10u Beginner matches only.
- Court monitors help facilitate the play of the match. They make sure players are on the correct side of the court and ensure players are calling out the score correctly. Monitors should overrule any obviously incorrect calls.
- The goal is to create independent players. We want players to manage their own matches. Court monitors should not be overly involved.

PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES

- One of the players will spin their racket before the warmup to determine the first server and which side to begin the match.
- Warm-ups are timed at 5 minutes and are meant to “warm up” both players, not to practice winning shots where the ball cannot be kept in play. If an issue arises during play, it is the responsibility of each player to settle it amongst themselves.
- Play is continuous from the time a match starts until the match finishes. The maximum allowed time for breaks is as follows:
 - Between points: 25 seconds (time limit does not apply if a player must chase a stray ball.)
 - On changeovers (odd games): 90 seconds,
 - At the end of each set: 120 seconds.
 - There is NO break after the 1st game of any set or during a tie-break game. Play shall be continuous, and players shall change ends without a rest.
- ***Players MAY NOT leave the court for any reason other than to find an official, this includes between sets.***
- If a BATHROOM BREAK must be taken, it should be between a set break or if an emergency at an odd game changeover. Inform the opponent and coaches and leave your racket on the court.
- ***All Players need to call out the score loud and clear before every point and use the score tenders.***
 - If any player forgets or is unsure of the score they must:
 - State what the score is in their opinion along with how they arrived at that score.
 - If they cannot agree, go back to the most recent score you can agree on.
 - If they choose to call an official, they will also follow the same process as above.
- ***“Lets” may be called by either player while the ball is still in play.***

SPORTSMANSHIP - THE CODE - ZERO TOLERANCE

- JTT matches are played as “unofficialated” matches.
 - The role of USTA officials is to help ensure fair play and to clarify any questions you may have about the rules and regulations of tennis.
- Our Tournament Referee and USTA tournament staff will be monitoring match play, and coach, player and spectator behavior. If they feel it necessary to intervene at any time, they have the right to do so.
- Coaches should lead by example. Competition can heighten the senses, if you see an issue, speak with the opposing coach first. If you feel further action is necessary, seek help from the tournament staff and/or tournament referee. We are hopeful that the players are learning how to handle any discrepancies or disputes on their own.
- It is the responsibility of each participant, their parents/guardians, and coaches to know and understand all expectations, rules and regulations *prior* to competition.
- We ask that you do your part to support fair play by taking the time to read and review this shortened document of THE CODE.

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

USTA Jr. Team Tennis (JTT) should be a fun and rewarding experience for our children. Character building lessons such as hard work, discipline, sportsmanship, and handling adversity are regularly on display. Parents of JTT players should enjoy the time spent with their children and watching them develop not just into better tennis players, but into good citizens.

Coaches, Organizers and Parents of Jr. Team Tennis are under a duty to encourage and maintain high standards of proper conduct, fair play, and good sportsmanship. They are under an obligation to avoid acts which may be considered detrimental to the game of tennis, or the children impacted. Coaches shall not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct.

THE USTA North Carolina LTJTT Coaches Code of Conduct System shall apply to all local JTT matches and Championships:

- During the entire team match and practices
- At match facilities
- During the course of a match or practice a coach, organizer, or parent shall not engage in the following:
 - Verbal abuse. Swear at their own player, USTA staff, officials, tournament directors, spectator or an opponent in a voice that can be heard by any person;
 - Visible or audible profanity. Use profanity or insulting, abusive or obscene language in any way that may be heard by any person or use obscene, insulting or abusive gestures;
 - Racket or Ball abuse. Deliberately throw or hit a ball/racquet in any direction; Threaten players, parents, or spectators in any way;
 - Other unsportsmanlike or inappropriate conduct on or off court at locations such as the match site, or parking lot;
 - Physical act of violence against another person on or off the court by a player, parent, relative, coach, or other person associated with a player;
 - Illegal use of drugs or possession of illegal drugs or possession or consumption of alcohol beverages;
 - Destruction of property

The Junior Team Tennis local committee has the power to suspend coaches, organizers, and parents immediately if it believes that the coaches, organizers, or parents conduct is so severe as to warrant immediate suspension, whether or not that conduct is specifically listed in this document.

The Code

THE PLAYERS' GUIDE TO FAIR PLAY AND THE UNWRITTEN RULES OF TENNIS

The Code is not part of the ITF Rules of Tennis. Players must follow The Code, except to the extent to which an official assumes some of their responsibilities. This edition of The Code is an adaptation of the original.

SPORTSMANSHIP POLICY

Sportsmanship is the foundation of tennis. It is essential to tennis as a welcoming, open, and inclusive sport. Sports integrity follows a boundless set of core values and attributes that enrich the lives of all who participate. These attributes include, but are not limited to:

- **Understanding and following the rules**
- **Being fair**
- **Acting with character**
- **Respecting others**
- **Winning with humility and losing with grace**
- **Maintaining composure**
- **Being accountable for one's own actions**
- **Giving others the benefit of the doubt**

Tennis is more fun when players are good sports, and when persons associated with the players and the sport reinforce the ideals of good sport conduct. It entices people to stay involved with the sport their entire lives. Being a good sport is its own reward—both on and off the tennis court. Sportsmanship builds trust, generates mutual respect, and promotes friendship among all people. As we grow and develop the game, we do so with the highest commitment to sports integrity.

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ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

ALL SPECTATORS

(PARENTS, COACHES, RELATIVES, FRIENDS, ETC.)

In an effort to promote a more enjoyable and fair experience for all, USTA North Carolina has implemented the following "ZERO TOLERANCE" policy for improper behavior. This policy is in immediate effect and is to be diligently and stringently enforced.

1. Any attempt by a spectator to argue with an official regarding a line call or other ruling during match play will be cause for immediate removal from the playing area and, if warranted, from the premises, for the remainder of the tournament.
2. Any spectator behavior deemed unacceptable towards a player, other spectator, or staff member may be cause for immediate removal from the playing area or the entire premises for the remainder of the tournament. In addition, the USTA Suspension Point System and Point Penalty System have been updated and now state that a player can be assessed suspension points and/or Code Violations when they, the player, or anyone associated with the player engages in unsportsmanlike conduct. These changes apply to USTA Regulation IV, and Table 17; Friend at Court 2022: pages 103-117.
3. The Tournament Committee, including the tournament director, referee, and officials, are the SOLE judges regarding unacceptable behavior.

Umpire/Spectator communication, whether it be about a ruling or any other facet of a tennis event, is prohibited while a match is in progress. The only exception is that a parent has the right to remove their own child from competition at any time, other than that a parent or coach is merely a spectator.

REMOVAL IS NOT SUBJECT TO APPEAL

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RAIN PROCEDURE

REMEMBER – All weather updates will be posted online at <https://www.nctennis.com/jttstates>

If it rains during your match, turn in your scorecard immediately to the tournament desk.

- Report the scores of incomplete matches, who is serving, and the serving order. This information will be recorded on the back of the scorecard and verified at the tournament desk staff.
- Keep all players on site until instructed by the tournament staff.
- The decision to call off or reschedule matches will be made by the TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR.
- Be patient with all tournament staff, they are doing the best they can. Refrain from calling the tournament desk during a rain delay. The tournament committee is busy making plans for the weather and rescheduling potentially hundreds of matches.