

Section IV Girls Tennis



2008

Tournament Handbook

The rules governing tennis come from the NYSPHSAA handbook, the Section IV handbook and USTA rules of play. Please check the following page for rule reminders.

2008

SECTION IV GIRL'S TENNIS

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER 1	Move up in class notification due to Ben Nelson	
OCTOBER 3	a. Letter of Intent to compete in Sectionals b. Code of Conduct Send both to: Ben Nelson Interscholastic Sports Coordinator Civic Center, Box 7 21 Liberty St. Sidney, NY 13838	Fax# 607-561-2344
OCTOBER 8-14	Fax Entries no later than 3:00 pm on 10/14 to: Todd Ginnan @ 735-3759	
OCTOBER 14	Seeding Meeting for Class A and B @ UEHS 7:30 PM Cafeteria	
Thur. - Sat. Oct. 16-18	A, B, C/D Sectionals	9 AM
Thur. - Sat. Oct. 23-25	A, B, C/D Sectional Rain Dates	
Wed. Oct 29	CD Challenge	3:30PM BTC
Fri. Oct. 31	STATE QUALIFIER	9 AM BTC
Sat. Nov. 1	STATE QUALIFIER	11:00 AM BTC
Fri./Sat./Sun. Nov. 7-9	NYSPHSAA State Champ.	East Side Racquet Club Syracuse, NY

SECTION IV GIRLS TENNIS 2008

I would like to thank all those coaches that have volunteered their time and effort in the past to help make the section IV tennis season successful. Thank you in advance to all those who have volunteered to host in the 2007 season:

Tournament Directors:

Class A- **Dan Palmer**

Class B- **Scott Snyder**

Class C/D- **Nancy DiJulio**

Tournament Sites:

Class A – Highland Park in Endwell (Possibly UEHS)

Class B – Owego Free Academy

Class C/D – SUNY Delhi

GENERAL INFORMATION:

It remains the responsibility of the site chairperson, in cooperation with the section coordinator and the Section IV Sports Coordinator to determine if weather factors (darkness, rain) make it impossible to play. It is assumed that all legal matches will be played on the first day of play. If you leave the site before the tournament director has officially called play for the day and your match is called, you will be defaulted.

Sectionals are scheduled for October 16th and 18th with rain dates of October 23rd and 25th. Please make sure ALL of your matches are completed by sectional play. There were some conflicts last year with rain delays and make-up's. It is the coaches responsibility to remind their AD of the scheduled dates for sectionals and adjust make-ups accordingly.

If academic testing, i.e. PSAT'S or SAT's conflict, athletic events may not supersede. The earliest possible time is 1:00 unless no one playing is involved in testing. PSAT's are scheduled for Sat. Oct. 18, 2008.

If the third place finisher from the CD tournament is challenging, they should notify the challenged school and me ASAP. This year C-3 may challenge B-3 and play is scheduled to be on Wed. October 29, 2008 at BTC if courts available.

Entries for the sectionals should be faxed to me beginning on Wed. Oct. 8th and must be in by **Tues. Oct. 14th—3:00 pm**. They can faxed to Todd Ginnan @ 735-3759. You must also attend the meeting on Tuesday evening at 7:30 @ Union-Endicott HS Cafeteria. If something happens and you do not make the meeting or send a rep, your players will not be entered in the tournament. In the event there is an emergency or a question, please call me. It is probably easier to call me at home in the evening.

2008 Section IV Girl's Tennis **Sectional Tournament Sites**

1. Class A Sectionals
Time: Thursday, October 16th and Saturday, October 18th
9:00 am
Location: Highland Park in Endwell (Possibly UEHS)
Site Chair: Dan Palmer
School Phone: 607-739-5601 x 8 4255

2. Class B Sectionals
Time: Thursday, October 16th and Saturday, October 18th
9:00 am
Location: Owego Free Academy
Site Chair: Scott Snyder
School Phone: 607-687-6232

3. Class C-D Sectionals
Time: Thursday, October 16th and Friday, October 18th
9:00 am
Location: SUNY Delhi
Site Chair: Nancy DiJulio, Walton
School Phone: 607-865-4116

Rain Date for all classes is October 23rd and October 25th.

CLASS A

Binghamton City School	1345
Elmira Southside	902
Horseheads Central School	1069
Ithaca City School	1327
Union Endicott CS	1054
Vestal Central School	954

CLASS B

Chenango Forks CS	485
Chenango Valley CS	465
Corning East HS	664
Corning West HS	689
Elmira Free Academy	707
Elmira Notre Dame	235 (Moved Up)
Johnson City CS	664
Maine-Endwell CS	657
Norwich	556
Owego Free Academy	554
Seton Catholic Central HS	264 (Moved Up)
Susquehanna Valley CS	505
Windsor Central School	479

CLASS C/D

Delaware Academy	237
Greene Central School	313
Hancock Central School	136
Oxford Academy	256
Sidney Central School	294
Walton Central School	270

The above are 2008-2009 NYSPHSAA Classification Numbers from 10/07 BEDS. These numbers are the numbers that will be used for Classification regardless if they differ from State Education Department number that come out in late June. This was voted on and passed at the January 2008 NYSPHSAA meeting.

3 Classes

A	800-Up
B	400-799
C/D	0-399

2008 Girls' Sectionals

1. Any player wishing to play in Section IV competition must have played in at least 6 matches during the regular season.
2. All players who enter this tournament must be willing to play in the state qualifying tournament on October 31-November 1 and the State tournament on the following weekend (November 7-9) without defaulting for any reason except medical.
3. There will be NO AD scoring for Sectionals (Semi's & Finals) and for the State Qualifier.
4. Sectionals and the State Qualifier play is best two out of three sets.
5. No player can play more than three matches in one day. However, if two seeded players who received 'byes' in the first round should make it to the semi-finals, that match would be their third match and therefore will be played on the first day if the site chair decides there is sufficient light of day left to finish the match. The second day would be for the Final and third place finishes. If you leave the site before the chair officially calls play for the day, you will be defaulted.
6. The second day of a two day tournament must return to that site the next day to finish. A later starting time on the second day is possible if all agree. Site Chairs are volunteers. They should not be expected to alter their schedule to accommodate your preferences. A site chair must be at the tournament.
7. We expect all participants to follow the rules of tennis. It remains the responsibility of each coach to ensure his or her players are competing with good sportsmanship and follow the rules.
8. Coaches should bring one can of tennis balls for each participant. Winners of the match keep the unopened can. Please report the score to the site chair.
9. NYSPHSAA "no jewelry" rule is in effect. Proper tennis attire is also required.
10. In case of inclement weather it would be appreciated if each coach would bring as many roll-drys as possible to help dry the courts. The site chair cannot be expected to do it themselves. All help is greatly appreciated.
11. Between the first and second sets, a coach may visit with his/her player on court for 90 seconds. Between the second and third sets the player does not get to come off the court the same as between sets 1 and 2. Reminder that 90 seconds is NOT a long time. If you are to coach between the first and second sets, you should be there when the set ends. It does not allow time for players to wait and send for a coach.

12. Injury time out is 3 minutes. This rule has some gray area to it as we all know. Loss of conditioning (ie cramping) is not considered an injury. A player may ask for one time out of three minutes for injury. If the player cannot continue after 3 minutes, a warning, then a point, then a game, then the match will be forfeited.
13. Section IV handbook states a player may be granted a minimum of 25 minutes between matches.
14. Team Scoring:

Entry into sectionals	=	1 pt.
Round 1 → Round 2	=	2 pts.
Round 2 → Round 3	=	3 pts.
Round 3 → Round 4	=	4 pts.
Round 4 → Round 5	=	5 pts.
Round 5 → Round 6	=	6 pts. (Class A and B only)
Winner of third place	=	3 pts.

Because of the small field in the A's, everyone should start with 3 points at the beginning, not 1 point as it is in the class B and class CD tournament. CD tournaments stop at the Finals. When we meet for the playoffs we will continue with points as follows:

Semi winner	=	6 pts.
Champion	=	7 pts.

15. At the end of each day, the site chair will please call the results into the Binghamton Press. Please make sure ALL the schools get into the results, not just the top four or five. **798 –1191 or 1-800 365-0077. It is easiest to FAX results: 607-798-1113.**
16. There is no way I can list every possible event that may occur. Let's use some common sense, follow the rules and let's work together to ensure a fair and successful tournament.

N.Y.S.P.H.S.A.A.
SECTION IV

Girls' Tennis
State Qualifier
Double Elimination

October 31 & November 1
BTC

Section IV State Qualifier 2008

October 31st & November 1st

Time line for Friday, October 31st

Coaches meeting at 8:30 am. This will start on time. If you're late, I'm sorry but the show must go on! Players' meeting to follow. BTC has 6 courts now, so we will use the last 4 courts since they are all the exact same surface. Between courts 4 and 5 there are bleachers that will sit approximately 50 people courtside. If there is "Crowd Interference" during play I will have no choice but to remove the option of on --court viewing. All fans will have to watch the remaining matches from inside the lobby. That decision will be made by the tournament director and is non-negotiable. Nothing should interfere with match play.

Courts will be available for warm-ups. Warm-ups will be limited to the 10 minutes prior to the match once the match play begins.

Order of Play

Day 1 16 matches

Round 1	4 Singles matches followed by 4 doubles matches (top to bottom in the draw)
Round 2	Singles 2 from the winners bracket, 2 from the losers bracket
Round 2	Doubles 2 from the winners bracket, 2 from the losers bracket

Day 2 8 matches

Round 3	2 Singles and 2 Doubles...the left half of the draw. (top to bottom in the draw)
Round 4	Third place matches for both singles and doubles.
Round 3	Singles and Doubles championship (12:00 noon)

We will start play at **9:00 am** on Friday and 11:00 am on Saturday or 1:30 pm on Saturday if player is taking SAT's using four courts each day. Important for coaches to bring **2** cans of tennis balls for each entry since this is basically a DOUBLE elimination tournament. 45 minutes rest between second and third rounds. All Sectional rules apply. We will have two roving USTA umpires. Players are still responsible for calling their own lines. Officials will meet with the players to answer any questions.

Players going to states must fill out forms. It will be helpful if your parents are there to sign these forms. You will not play in States unless these forms are filled out and signed. Players must stay after this tournament so we can plan for the following weekend.

2008 NYHSPHSAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

WHEN: November 7-9, 2008

WHERE: EAST SIDE RACQUET CLUB
SYRACUSE, NEW YORK
315-682-2900

TIMES: SEEDING MEETING FRI. 8 PM
PLAYERS SHOULD PLAN ON FRI. ARRIVAL
PRACTICE COURTS ARE AVAILABLE

PLAY: BEGINS SAT. 8:30 AM -AFTER PLAYERS MEETING

HOTEL: ROOMS RESERVED AT :
CRAFTSMAN INN
ROUTE 5 FAYETTEVILLE
800-797-4464

IMPORTANT:

- STRINGING AVAILABLE ON SITE
- STUDENTS MUST WEAR SCHOOL-ISSUED UNIFORMS
OR COMPLIMENTARY T-SHIRTS PROVIDED
- CONSOLATION ROUNDS WILL BE A PRO-SET, NO-AD SCORING
FINALS TO PLAYED ON MON. November 6
- DIRECTIONS TO EAST SIDE AND HOTEL WILL BE PROVIDED

*Letter of Intent
For
Moving to a Higher Class*

Sport *Girls Tennis*

School _____

Date _____

*Current
Classification* _____

*Our school has elected to move to a higher class to participate in the Section IV *Girls Tennis* Tournament. We will move up to participate as a Class _____ school.*

Signature of Coach _____

*Signature of
Athletic Director* _____

*This form must be returned to the Interscholastic Sports Coordinator of Section IV by September 1, 2008 ONLY if your school intends to play in the Section IV *Girls Tennis* Tournament at a higher class. This is a two-year commitment to stay at this level.*