



2016-2017 IHSA GIRLS TENNIS STATE FINALS

On behalf of the Illinois High School Association Board of Directors, the Tennis Advisory Committee, and our member schools, it is my pleasure to congratulate you for qualifying for the 2016 IHSA Girls Tennis State Finals and it is our hope that you are able to enjoy the tournament. We appreciate all of the work that you have put forth to be at the state finals. No other state in the country conducts interscholastic competition for schools like we do here in Illinois and we are thrilled that you are able to be a part of the opportunity.

A special welcome and congratulations are extended to all the participants of this year's state tournament. You should be commended for your hard work, practice and dedication which have enabled you and your school to achieve success. I also want to welcome and congratulate the coaches of all of our competing schools who have trained and prepared these students to reach this level of performance.

Here students have a chance to demonstrate the fruits of their hard work and dedication. As a participant you proudly represent your families, schools and communities in a very visible forum. Thank you for exhibiting what is best in the youth of our society.

The IHSA believes that interscholastic activities enrich the educational experience. Regardless of the outcome of events we ask that you do your best and strive to display the best in sportsmanship and embrace all that can be learned through performance. You have spent many long hours preparing and we wish you the very best and hope you enjoy your time at the IHSA Girls Tennis State Final. You should be able to find in this packet the information necessary to make your trip to State as smooth as possible. Feel free to call our office if you have any questions. Thank you for your support of IHSA and for being a part of the IHSA state experience.

Sincerely,

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GIRLS TENNIS STATE QUALIFER INFORMATION

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Important Information Regarding 2016-2017 IHSA Girls State Final Tennis Tournament

1. **Seeding:** The IHSA Girls Tennis Seeding Committee under the direction of the State Final Manager will seed the competitors and draw up the playing schedule for the State Final. The schedule will be available through the IHSA Web Site at www.ihsa.org, on the Tennis link page Tuesday, October 18 by 5 p.m.
2. **Packet Pick-Up:** On Wednesday, October 19, coaches may check in & receive their information packets from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Tournament Central at the Buffalo Grove High School Gymnasium. For those teams that do not check in on Wednesday night, your packet must be picked up Thursday morning at 8:00 a.m. at Tournament Central at the Buffalo Grove High School Gymnasium. **Only coaches/school representatives may pick up a team packet.**
3. **Playing Dates:** On Thursday, October 20, the 1st and 2nd championship rounds and the 1st and 2nd rounds of the consolation feed-in will be played. On Friday, October 21, the 3rd and quarterfinal championship rounds and the 3rd, 4th, and 5th rounds of the consolation feed-in will be played. On Saturday, October 22, the semifinal and final championship rounds and the quarter, semi and final consolation feed-in rounds will be played. **NOTE: ALL PLAYERS WILL PLAY ON THURSDAY MORNING IN ROUNDS 1, 2 AND/OR CONSOLATION ROUNDS 1 AND 2. Therefore, coaches should be certain to report to Tournament Central at the Buffalo Grove High School Gymnasium to secure any announcement and the playing schedule for the tournament prior to 9:00 a.m. on Thursday.**
4. **Times:** The first rounds in both singles and doubles will begin promptly at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 20.**
5. **Weather:** Competitors should be prepared for any postponement of play due to rain or other inclement weather; they should also be prepared to play indoors should the weather make it necessary to take the tournament inside to indoor tennis courts located in the area. If the consolation feed-in bracket is eliminated due to bad weather, the consolation points will be awarded through the last completed round. Competitors are asked to report to their designated court for any weather updates. Players should report to their designated playing courts for any weather announcements.
6. **Reminders:** Coaches are asked to review the following items with their State Final qualifiers:
 - a. Warm-up play shall be ten (10) minutes in length and shall include both rallies and practice serves.
 - b. Ninety seconds shall be allowed for a change of courts. This time begins when the final point of a game is completed, and players must be in position to play in the proper court at the end of the ninety seconds.
 - c. Review Penalty Point System/Code of Conduct.
 - d. Regular scoring shall be used in all championship rounds. State Final Consolation rounds shall use ad scoring with a 10 point match tie breaker in lieu of a third set. Any medal matches shall continue to use ad scoring with three full sets.
 - e. A minimum of twenty minutes rest will be given to competitors between matches.
 - f. Review 12 point tie-breaker.
7. **Hotel Reservations:** School authorities from each participating school must make their own room reservations. Neither the IHSA nor Buffalo Grove High School provides or guarantees any housing for coaches and competitors. The IHSA tennis menu page may announce some housing specials.
8. **State Final Merchandise:** State Final Merchandise will be available for purchase from Minerva Sportswear during the Girls Tennis State Final Tournament at Tournament Central (Buffalo Grove High School Gymnasium).



Thursday, October 20

All matches will begin on Thursday, October 20 at 9:00 a.m. Matches will be played at the sites listed on the page.

BAR-Barrington High School
616 W. Main St.
Barrington, IL 60010-3099
847-381-1400

BG-Buffalo Grove High School
1100 W. Dundee Rd.
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089
847-718-4000

CON-Conant High School
700 E. Cougar Trail
Hoffman Estates, IL 60194
847-755-3600

EG-Elk Grove High School
500 W. Elk Grove Blvd.
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007
847-718-4400

FR-Fremd High School
1000 S. Quentin Rd.
Palatine, IL 60067-3797
847-755-2600

HER-Hersey High School
1900 E. Thomas St.
Arlington Heights, IL 60004-4392
847-718-4800

HOF-Hoffman Estates High School
1100 W. Higgins Rd.
Hoffman Estates, IL 60195
847-755-5600

PAL-Palatine High School
1111 N. Rohlwing Rd.
Palatine, IL 60074
847-755-1610

PRO-Prospect High School
801 W. Kensington Rd.
Mt. Prospect, IL 60056
847-718-5200

RM-Rolling Meadows High School
2901 Central Rd.
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
847-718-5600

W-Wheeling High School
900 S. Elmhurst Rd.
Wheeling, IL 60090
847-718-7000

*The phone numbers of the host schools are listed for emergency purposes only. No Tennis results or information concerning the tournament will be given out from the above listed school numbers.
Tournament Central is located at Buffalo Grove High School.*

On Thursday the 1st and 2nd Championship Rounds plus the 1st and 2nd Rounds of the Consolation Feed-In will be played at 9:00 a.m. at the assigned sites.

*** On Thursday, if a match is called because of darkness, the match will resume the next morning at a site to be announced by the site director.**

Friday, October 21

The 3rd championship Round will be played at 9:00 a.m. at Buffalo Grove, Hersey, Wheeling and Prospect High Schools. Please see the IHSA website for exact match locations. Quarterfinal Championship matches for both singles and doubles (1A and 2A) will follow at Buffalo Grove.

The 3rd, 4th and 5th Consolation Feed-In Rounds will be played on Friday. The Consolation Feed-In Matches will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the following sites: Palatine and Rolling Meadows.

*** On Friday, if a match is called because of darkness, the match will resume the next morning at 8:00 a.m. at Rolling Meadows.**

Saturday, October 22

Semifinal Championship Matches will be played at 9:00 a.m. at Buffalo Grove. Final Championship Matches will follow at Buffalo Grove.

Quarterfinal and Semifinal Matches of the Consolation Feed-In will be played at 8:00 a.m. at Rolling Meadows and Hersey. Final Consolation Matches will follow at Buffalo Grove.

****At the state tournament the consolation feed-in rounds will be played only if weather permits****



IHSA Girls Tennis Series 12-Point Tiebreaker System

(For all Sectional matches and State Final matches)

7 out of 12 Points

At six all in games, the player whose turn it is to serve shall put the ball into play for the first point of any tiebreaker.

SINGLES: Player A serves Point 1, right court; Player B serves Points 2 and 3, left court and right court; A serves Points 4 and 5 (L and R); B serves Point 6 (L) and, after players then CHANGE SIDES, Point 7 (R); A serves Points 8 and 9 (L and R); B serves Points 10 and 11 (L and R); A serves Point 12 (L). If either player wins 7 points, by a margin of two points, the set shall be recorded as 7 games to 6.

If the score reaches 6 points all, the players then CHANGE SIDES, and players shall continue to serve as before until one player establishes a margin of 2 points. Player A serves Point 13, right court; Player B serves Points 14 and 15, left court and right court; A serves Points 16 and 17 (L and R); B serves Point 18 (L). If the score is still tied, the players then CHANGE SIDES every 6 points and repeat this procedure.

1. The players shall "change sides for one game" after a tiebreak.
2. Player B shall serve first in the set following the playing of the tiebreak, thus assuring that she will be first server if this set also goes into a tiebreak.
3. Players shall change sides during the tiebreak without rest.
4. The tiebreak counts as one game in reckoning ball changes. If a ball change was called for (on) the tiebreak game, new balls shall be used.

POINTS

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
|----------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Player A | R | | | L | R | | | L | R | | | L | R | | | L | R | | | L | R | | | L |
| Player B | | L | R | | | L | R | | | L | R | | | L | R | | | L | R | | | L | R | |

DOUBLES: (A and B) versus (C and D). Assume that Player D has served the 12th game. Same procedure as in singles will apply. Players preserve the sequence of their serving turns. Player A serves Point 1, right court; Player C serves Points 2 and 3, left court and right court; B serves Points 4 and 5 (L and R); D serves Point 6 (L) and, after teams then CHANGE SIDES, Point 7 (R); A serves Points 8 and 9 (L and R); C serves Points 10 and 11 (L and R); B serves Point 12 (L). If either team wins 7 points, by a margin of two points, the set shall be recorded as 7 games to 6.

If the score reaches 6 points all, teams then CHANGE SIDES, and players shall continue to serve as before until one team establishes a margin of 2 points. Player B serves Point 13, right court; Player D serves Points 14 and 15, left court and right court; A serves Points 16 and 17 (L and R); C serves Point 18 (L). If the score is still tied, the teams then CHANGE SIDES every 6 points and repeat this procedure with the continuing sequence of service.

Teams shall "change sides for one game" after a tiebreak with team (C and D) to serve first.

POINTS

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Players (A & B) | AR | | | BL | BR | | | AL | AR | | | BL | BR | | | AL | AR | | | BL | BR | | | AL |
| Players (C & D) | | CL | CR | | | DL | DR | | | CL | CR | | | DL | DR | | | CL | CR | | | DL | DR | |

"NO-AD" SCORING

A player need win only four points to win a game. If the score goes to three points all (or deuce), the next point decides the game - it is game point for both players. The receiver has the right to choose to which court the service is to be delivered on the seventh point. If a "No-Ad" set reaches 6 games all, the tiebreaker system shall be used.



Tennis Code of Conduct/Point Penalty

(There shall be no warnings for the first offense. Penalties become immediate and carry over throughout a tournament.)

| Misconduct | 1st Offense | 2nd Offense | 3rd Offense |
|---|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Violation of USTA Rule No. 29, taking more than ninety seconds on changeover or taking more than 20 seconds between points | 1 point | 4 points | Disqualification |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prolonging argument over decision after directed to resume play | 1 point | 4 points | Disqualification/Ejection |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Failure to commence play after expiration of warm-up minutes | 1 point | | |
| Lateness in being ready | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A player or players who are not ready to play, or are not properly attired, when a court and opponent are available after a match has been called will be penalized | | 1 game after 5 minutes, 2 games after 10 minutes, defaulted after 15 minutes | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To start a match, after an intermission | | 1 point per minute or fraction thereof | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To resume play within fifteen minutes of injury (considered a 1 time-out injury) <p>NOTE: The time-out for injury should begin once a trainer is available on the court or if the coach or the site director makes the decision on the court.</p> | | Disqualification | |
| Profane or obscene language or gestures | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Directed at no one in particular | 1 point | 4 points | Disqualification/Ejection |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Directed at an official, opponent, or spectator | 4 points | Disqualification/Ejection | |
| Unsportsmanlike acts | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knocking ball out of enclosure | 1 point | 4 points | Disqualification/Ejection |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intentional racquet dropping | 1 point | 4 points | Disqualification/Ejection |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hitting ball or throwing racquet at/near person | 4 points | Disqualification/Ejection | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intentional racquet dropping to disconcert opponent | 4 points | Disqualification/Ejection | |
| Gross Misconduct | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trash talking | 1 point | 4 points | Disqualification/Ejection |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A single, flagrant, gross act of misconduct | Disqualification/Ejection | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A single, flagrant, gross act of misconduct after the player has completed his/her last match | 1 point team deduction | | |
| Use of an Ineligible Coach | 1 point team deduction per match | | |

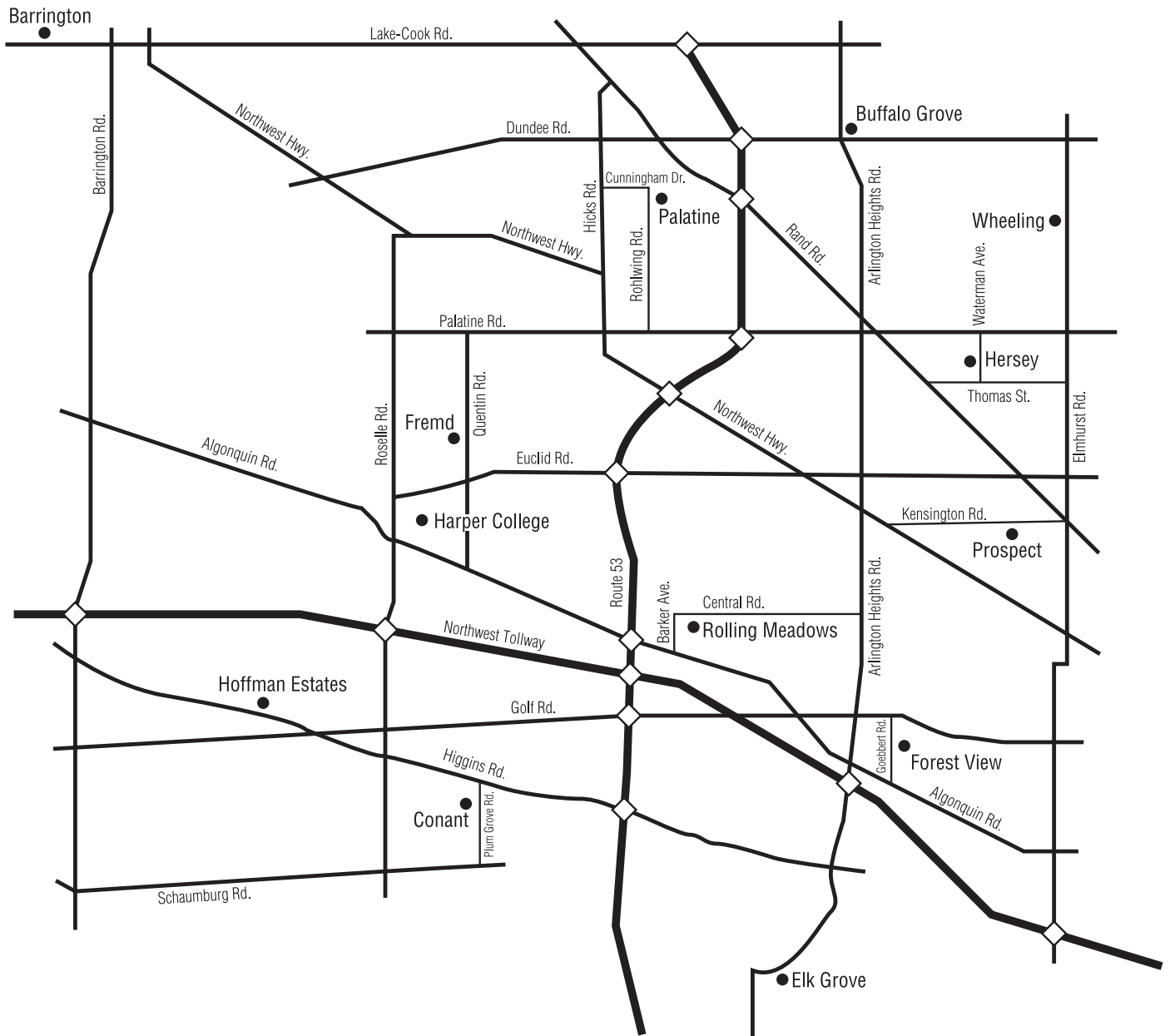
NOTE: The tournament manager/site director and eligible coach may invoke point penalties in matches where there is no umpire, provided they personally observe the misconduct. In addition, it is the responsibility of all coaches of participating schools to monitor player conduct. Any coach, tournament manager, or site director who personally observes misconduct may invoke the point penalties, provided they report their action to the tournament manager/site director. At the time of the 3rd penalty, a competitor will have the right to appeal to the tournament manager. First and second offense penalties shall stand as levied.

Any player who, at the conclusion of the match, exhibits gross misconduct, which includes profane or obscene language or gestures and unsportsmanlike acts, may cause that player's team to be penalized one team point toward the meet championship. Any coach who observes a violation will ask the player to accompany the coach to the tournament manager/site director or Games Committee at the State Final. Both parties explanations of the incident will be heard and a determination will be made as to the penalty imposed. If the player refuses or does not accompany the coach, the penalty will be automatic. The offender's coach will be notified of the infraction and the penalties imposed.

In accordance with By-Law 6.011 and 6.012, any player or coach ejected (not disqualified) from a match will be ineligible for the next interscholastic contest at that level of competition, and all other interscholastic contests at any level in the interim.

There shall be no warnings for the first offense. Penalties become immediate and carry over throughout a tournament (sectionals and state are considered two separate tournaments for these purposes).

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