

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT 3</b> <b>3A TENNIS TOURNAMENT- 2009</b></p>
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**DATE:** Tuesday May 19, Thursday May 21  
(Boys and Girls all days) and Saturday May 23 (Finals)

**MATCH SCHEDULE:** Tuesday May 19, matches 1-16 all draws  
Thursday May 21, matches 17-24 all draws  
Saturday May 23, matches 25-28 all draws

**PLACE:** Harry Sprinker Recreation Center  
14824 South C Street  
Tacoma, WA 98444

**TIME:** All coaches will meet at 7:50 AM at the Sprinker Center on the first day of competition for a coaches meeting. Players will meet at 8:05 AM. Matches will begin at 8:20 AM.

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**APPEALS COMMITTEE:** An appeals committee will be selected at the coaches meeting on the first day of competition. Four coaches from different leagues will serve on the committee. The committee will then consist of the tournament director, and the four coaches.

**ADMISSION:** No Charge for admission.

**CONCESSIONS:** Eating establishments are within walking distance of the Center.

## **RULES OF PLAY:**

- a. United States Tennis Association (USTA) rules will govern play.
- b. Play shall be continuous from the first service until the match is concluded. After the second set, either player is entitled to a rest period which shall not exceed ten minutes.
- c. Coaching can occur between the 1st and 2nd sets with a time limit not to exceed two (2) minutes.
- d. The foot fault rule is to be observed.
- e. Most matches will not have line judges. Each player is expected to observe the rules and to call shots correctly when receiving.
- f. In the event of a problem on the court involving a rule:
  1. Lean your racket up against the net.
  2. Contact your head coach or any coach to explain concern
  3. The roving official, Tournament Manager and/or Game Committee may be consulted with a decision rendered. A linesman may be called upon if necessary.
- g. While players are on the court, no coaching is permissible by coaches, other players or spectators. (Exception C above).
- h. All matches will be played with regular "Ad" scoring, unless inclement weather dictates otherwise.
- i. In all sets where a 6-6 tie exists, the 12-point tiebreaker method will be used (see section 8).
- j. Warm-up time must be limited to 10 minutes.

## **SCORING PROCEDURES:**

Players are responsible for keeping and calling their own score. Should an error be made in scoring, correction must be made before the end of the game. Players should call out the set score before serving the first point of every game. The winner of a match is to return the used balls, report his/her name and score to the official in charge, and then check the time for his/her next match.

## **DRESS:**

Each participant **must** be wearing an appropriate tennis shirt approved by the school. Cut-offs or jeans are illegal. All lettering or writing on the uniform is restricted to school identification. If a violation occurs, the Tournament Manager or designee is empowered to disqualify the player.

**CONDUCT:** The Meet Manager or designee is given the authority to warn or disqualify any player who displays unsportsmanlike conduct, including temper and profanity. This would also apply to hitting the ball or throwing the racket from the playing area in a fit of temper.

1st violation-loss of point

2nd violation-loss of game

3<sup>rd</sup> violation-loss of match

Note: All players will receive a warning at the 8:05 a.m. meeting

## **COURT**

**ASSIGNMENTS:** Courts for matches will be assigned by the meet manager.

## **CHANGING SIDES**

**OF THE COURT:** Individuals or teams switch in every set on odd games. If the score at the end of a set is 6-3 (total 9), the participants will change ends for one game, then change ends again before playing the next two games. If the score is even, 6-4, the participants will stay for one game and then change ends.

**BALLS:** Two cans of tournament hard court balls will be furnished by each entrant -- two balls will be used in each match except three set matches, semi-finals and finals.

## **12 POINT TIE**

### **BREAKER**

### **METHOD:**

**Singles:** A serves first point (from right court); B serves points 2 and 3 (left and right); A serves points 4 and 5 (left and right); B serves point 6 (left) and after they change ends, point 7 (right); A serves point 8 and 9 (left and right); B serves points 10 and 11 (left and right); and A serves 12 (left). If points reach 6-all, players change ends and continue as before. A serves point 13 (right), B serves points 14 and 15 (left and right); etc., until one player establishes a margin of two points. Players change ends for one game to start the next set, with player B to serve first.

**Doubles:** follows the same patterns preserving the sequence of their serving turns.

Assuming A and B vs. C and D -- player A serves first point (right); C serves 2 and 3 (left and right); B serves 4 and 5 (left and right); D serves point 6 (left) and after the teams change ends, point 7 (right). A serves 8 and 9 (left and right); C serves 10 and 11 (left and right) and B serves point 12 (left). If points reach 6-all, teams change ends and continue as before. B serves point 13 (right); D serves points 14 and 15 (left and right); etc., etc., until one team establishes a margin of two points. Teams change ends for one game to start the next set, with team C and D to serve first.

**SPECTATORS:** All spectators, players, and coaches alike are restricted to the viewing areas. **Parents may not coach players at any time during match play.** Unnecessary noise or distractions are not customary at a tennis match. The applauding of errors is considered very poor etiquette. Applause is in order for excellent play and winning shots.

**TEAM SCORING:** 1st Place-----10 team points.  
2nd Place-----9 team points.  
3rd Place-----8 team points.  
4th Place-----7 team points.  
5th Place-----6 team points.  
6th Place-----5 team points.  
7th Place-----4 team points.  
8th Place-----4 team points.  
9-12 Places-----2 team points.

**TOURNAMENT STATEMENT:** *The success of this tournament depends upon the cooperation and sportsmanship of all players and coaches. Play hard and enjoy your tournament!*