

# IHSTCA Newsletter

## -- Cross Court --

October

2019

Dear Members:

Apologies for such a short newsletter this month; but the girls' season has kept me extremely busy this year. As we are quickly approaching the girls' post season; please make sure that you read the message from Susie Knoblauch concerning the procedures to enter your players into the post season.

A quick reminder about our annual winter workshop; it takes place on Friday, January 31, 2020 in Aurora, IL. The registration form with this year's line-up is attached. Please remember that when you attend the workshop your IHSTCA membership fee for 2020 is included. We hope to see you there!

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## IMPORTANT DATES

Girls' List of Participants due	October 15, 2019
Sectional Seeding Meeting	October 16, 2019
Sectionals	October 19, 2019
State Final Seeding Meeting	October 22, 2019
State Finals	October 24-26, 2019
IHSTCA Fall Board Meeting	October 29, 2019
Girls' Season Ends	November 2, 2019
IHSTCA Winter Workshop	January 31, 2020

### *Five Year Calendar-Girls:*

<https://www.ihsa.org/SportsActivities/GirlsTennis/5YearSeasonCalendar.aspx>

## OPEN POSITIONS

**Trinity High School** has a job opening for Girls Head Varsity Coach and Girls JV Coach for Fall 2020. Contact Trinity Athletic Director, Rachel Meiner at 708-453-8394 or [rmeiner@trinityhs.org](mailto:rmeiner@trinityhs.org)

**Latin School Chicago** has a Boys JV (2020) Tennis position open. This is a paid position. Candidates should send a resume and references to Liz Tortorello-Nelson, Assistant Athletic Director, [enelson@latinschool.org](mailto:enelson@latinschool.org). Latin will pay for NFHS certification.

**Lincoln Park High School** is looking for a Boy's Head Coach for the 2019 - 2020 season, and a Girls Assistant for the 2020 - 2021 season. Please email resumes to [ecromer@cps.edu](mailto:ecromer@cps.edu).

## OPEN DATES

**Chicago - Lincoln Park Girls:** Looking to schedule Quads/Tournaments on various weekends in 2020 for both JV and Varsity. We are not a strong team but have a committed group that will play against any level. Please contact [ecromer@cps.edu](mailto:ecromer@cps.edu).

**Chicago - Lincoln Park Boys:** Looking to schedule dual matches 2019 - 2020 school year. We have multiple open dates. Please contact [ecromer@cps.edu](mailto:ecromer@cps.edu).

**Sterling High School Boys Tennis** is seeking opponents for the 2020 season. We are switching conferences and have several open dates. We are willing to travel within reason--especially to play a quality matchup. If interested contact Mike Gottemoller, Sterling Boys Head Tennis Coach [mgottemoller@sps5.org](mailto:mgottemoller@sps5.org)

## TENNIS DRILLS

Tennis Net Drills with Coach Brad Gilbert:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QnxzO13igS0>

On Court with USPTA Improved Forehand Technique with Rick Macci: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5MHugAF2DiQ>

Ultimate Tennis Volley Lesson – Drills and Tips for Beginners:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xB6FWtFd1ys>

Practice Your Footwork Like a Professional Tennis Players – Top 5 Connecting Tennis Fitness:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TNL4MAgon10>

5 Steps to Master Your Footwork with Jeff Salzenstein:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tm0YdnwiTxs>

## A MESSAGE FROM THE IHSA



*Susie Knoblauch, Assistant Executive Director*

Greetings Girls Tennis Coaches:

As we are approaching the post season for the IHSA Girls Tennis State Series, please refer to the IHSA Girls Tennis Terms and Conditions for the rules governing competition.

<https://www.ihsa.org/documents/tng/2019-20/t-and-cs.pdf>

Additionally, here are a few other reminders as you prepare for Sectionals.

1. TennisReporting.com is the official IHSA online tennis scorebook and provider for IHSA postseason seeding. Throughout regular season play, IHSA Girls Tennis Coaches should be inputting all of their season results into the site. This process is essential for an easy transition to submit Sectional *Players Season Record* (PSRs) forms necessary for post season seeding.
2. Below is a video link to assist you in submitting your sectional entries into tennisreporting.com. Remember, you start through the IHSA Schools Center first, and then the next step is through tennisreporting.com. This is an essential part of the seeding process, so if you have questions please contact Tennis Reporting at [TennisReporting@Gmail.com](mailto:TennisReporting@Gmail.com).

<https://soapbox.wistia.com/videos/2vPGwYvNI6>

3. Next week you will be receiving an invite from tennisreporting.com to submit your players for the postseason.

Once submitted through Tennis Reporting the **Players Season Record (PSRs)** form(s) will **automatically be produced** for the IHSA Girls Tennis Sectional in which you have been assigned

<https://www.ihsa.org/SportsActivities/GirlsTennis/StateSeriesInformationResults.aspx>. This is an important step in the process since the PSRs are used for seeding purposes. There will be no need to upload anything. You can always print copies of your players PSRs to keep for your files and/or bring to the seeding meeting. Remember, **the deadline for this submission of the IHSA Schools Center List of Participants and the Tennis Reporting PSRs is Tuesday, October 15 at midnight!**

As soon coaches have determined their post season line-ups, they can begin submitting their lineups for the IHSA Girls Tennis Sectionals. When coaches submit a player their PSR will continue to update as that coach puts in matches for that player throughout the rest of the season. Coaches can always update/change their lineup(s) in the system until the IHSA Girls Tennis List of Participants deadline (10/15/19). Please note that you don't have to wait until October 15<sup>th</sup> to start this process. Below are some additional frequently asked questions.

**Q. Do I need to complete the match history – Player Season Reports (PSR) if my player(s) won't be seeded?**

A. Yes. Seeing the complete match history of players for sectionals and state is an integral part of the IHSA state series process. All players, regardless if they will be considered for a seed or not, must have their match history/season summary provided electronically to the IHSA so we can review and share that information with the sectional managers and the state final manager/seeding committee.

**Q. If this is the first time a doubles team will played together (at a sectional), do I need to provide their match history as a singles player, or with another doubles player?**

A. If sectionals is the first time a doubles team will played together you do not need to provide any match history. We recommend that you note in the comment section that this is the first time the team has played as a doubles team so the seeding committee is aware.

4. All IHSA Girls Tennis sectional submissions will be available/viewable to everyone by 10 a.m. on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> via TennisReporting.com under the Meets/Events Page. At that time, all coaches will be able to view all submissions and start looking at the comparable link under the SEED page.
5. After the submissions are released, Sectional Managers will receive separate credentials from tennisreporting.com that will provide them more access in Tennis Reporting that will allow them to prepare for their seed meeting. These features will include, *new this year*, the ability to maneuver players on a viewable bracket. Additionally, *new this year*, will be the ability for sectional managers to update scores LIVE via Tennis Reporting so coaches, players and fans can following all of the sectional action!

As we move forward with technology and provide consistent brackets with LIVE results, it is our hope to make this process as simple as possible for competing schools and host managers, so please don't hesitate to contact me Susie: Office 309-663-6377 Cell 309-530-0892 or **Tennis Reporting - Steve Matuszewski - 651-261-7283** [TennisReporting@Gmail.com](mailto:TennisReporting@Gmail.com) if you have any questions.



***SAVE THE DATE:***

**WINTER COACHES WORKSHOP**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020**

**7 AM – 3 PM**

