

**2008 P.I.A.A. DISTRICT IX “AA” & “AAA”
BOYS’ TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS – DOUBLES
COACHES AND PLAYERS INFORMATION**

1. The tournament will consist of 3 rounds in class “AAA” and 4 rounds in class “AA”. All rounds will be played on Monday, May 12, 2008.
2. Scoring in all rounds will be regular scoring and played best of three (3) sets with a 7 point tie-breaker at 6 games all.
3. Coaches are asked to check in their players thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of their first match. ALL matches will be played at the DuBois Area High School in DuBois, PA.
4. District IX and the PIAA will provide tennis balls for all matches. “Wilson” is the official tennis ball of the PIAA.
5. Players will be given a 10-minute warm-up period before each match.
6. Time and site schedule is subject to change by the Tournament Director.
7. The tennis courts at DuBois Area High School will serve as the tournament headquarters for all rounds.
8. In the event that the tournament is postponed due to inclement weather conditions, or the forecast of inclement weather conditions, the tournament director will call all head coaches on Sunday, May 11th by 8:00 PM. The rain date is Wednesday, May 14th, 2008. If in doubt about the weather or forecast please contact Aaron Straub before leaving school.
9. First place plaques will be presented to the District IX Doubles Champions. Runner-up plaques will be presented to the second place finishers.
10. The District IX Doubles Champions will represent District IX at the P.I.A.A. State Doubles Tournament at the Hershey Racquet Club on May 23rd and 24th.
11. Players may have a 90-second break as they change ends after the odd-numbered games in each set. Players may not leave the court at this time.

12. Coaches will be limited to advising or instructing contestants during competition, as follows: one designated coach per team may enter the court area during the two-minute set break, as the set ends, and advise or instruct their players; and during the five-minute off-the-court break provided for between split sets.
13. Any player may ask the Tournament Director for a court monitor. Once the monitor is assigned to a court, he will settle any disputes, and his decision will be final.
14. All spectators and coaches must stay behind the fences. Spectators and coaches may not carry on a conversation with a player during the match.
15. Restrooms are available adjacent to the courts and are located between the tennis courts and the football field.
16. Spectator parking is located at the DuBois Area High School directly in front of the tennis courts with overflow parking in the student parking lot located directly in front of the school along route 255. Spectators should note that bus traffic is very heavy at the high school from 2:35 PM to 2:55 PM.
17. A concession stand will not be available at the courts or at the school.
18. Team and officials parking will be available in front of the courts. Handicapped parking is available adjacent to the courts.
19. The following “U.S.T.A. Point Penalty System (PIAA Modified)” will govern unsportsmanlike conduct:

DELAY OF GAME (for violations of delay of game):

- (a). At 90-second changeover or other times, stalling, prolonging, argument over a decision, injury time-out.
- (b). Failure to start play after expiration of ten minute warm-up period.
Penalty: First offense – warning; second offense – point; third offense – default

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

- (a). Profane or obscene language or gestures, when not directed at a person or persons:
Penalty: First offense – warning; second offense – point; third offense – default
- (b). Profane or obscene language or gestures directed at an official, opponent, or spectator(s):
Penalty: First offense – point; second offense – game; third offense – default
- (c). Abuse of racket, balls, and equipment: such as hitting or kicking ball out-of-court:
Penalty: First offense – warning; second offense – point; third offense- default
- (d). Major unsportsmanlike acts, such as hitting a ball at or near an official or spectator, or intentional racquet dropping to disconcert an opponent:
Penalty: First offense – two points; second offense game; third offense – default