

2025 TENNIS State Qualifier's Handbook

## UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

# STATE QUALIFIER'S HANDBOOK

## **2025 TENNIS**

Congratulations on your team's advancement to the state tournament. This handbook will serve as a guide to administrators and coaches to assist in providing greater consistency at the Tennis State Tournament. You will find this material valuable as you prepare for the tournament and arrive at the tournament.

Questions concerning the UIL Tennis State Tournament should be addressed to the following staff members:

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### PRE-TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

State Tournament Dates. May 15th and 16th, 2025.

#### State Venue Locations.

### Thursday, May 16

1A-2A Blossom Tennis Center, 12002 Jones Maltsberger Rd, San Antonio, TX 78216

3A-4A Annemarie Tennis Center, 7001 Culebra Rd, San Antonio, TX 78238

5A-6A Northside Tennis Center, 12045 Leslie Rd, Helotes, TX 78023

### Friday, May 17

1A-2A Blossom Tennis Center, 12002 Jones Maltsberger Rd, San Antonio, TX 78216

3A-4A Annemarie Tennis Center, 7001 Culebra Rd, San Antonio, TX 78238

5A-6A Northside Tennis Center, 12045 Leslie Rd, Helotes, TX 78023

<u>Practice Site.</u> Teams will be allowed to utilize the following sites for practice and warmups if they need:

#### First come, first serve:

Northside Tennis Center, 12045 Leslie Rd, Helotes, TX 78023 (Wednesday 9am-9pm) Annemarie Tennis Center, 7001 Culebra Rd, San Antonio, TX 78238 (Wednesday afternoon 9am-9pm) Call to reserve a court, 210-366-3155:

**Alamo Heights Tennis Center**, 705 Trafalgar Rd, San Antonio, TX 78216 (Wednesday 2pm-9pm and Thursday 7:30am-1pm)

Mandatory State Qualifier Coaches Webinar. All qualifying teams will be required to attend the coaches meeting on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup> via Teams Webinar. This meeting will cover state venue locations, packet pick up, credentials, tournament schedule and awards ceremony. This will also be a time to ask any questions that may be outstanding. Please click HERE to register for the webinar.

<u>School Packets.</u> State qualifier packets may be picked up at **Blossom Tennis Center** beginning on **Wednesday, May 14**<sup>th</sup> **from 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm.** Schools that are not able to make it during the scheduled time will pick up their packets the next morning at the site where they will compete.

<u>Pairings.</u> The UIL staff will conduct a draw to determine the pairings. In the first round Region 1 will face Region 4 and Region 2 will face Region 3. The second-place regional finisher will face the third-place regional finisher. The first-place regional champion will receive a bye in the first round and automatically advance to the quarterfinal round.

<u>Court Assignments.</u> Court assignments will be made at each site. When announced, please report to the tournament desk for court assignments. Times are subject to change based on delays or inclement weather.

**SportsYou.** Please join and turn on notifications for the SportsYou group for the state tournament. We will communicate weather information, schedule changes and all other pertinent information through this group. It can be joined via the access code: **GDC742PA** 

**Housing.** Teams will be responsible for securing their own accommodations.

<u>Spectator Information and Tickets.</u> Tickets will be available for purchase online only starting, Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Tickets can be purchased <u>HERE</u> or on the Tennis Website.

Single Day Ticket – \$15.00 (plus fees) All Tournament – \$25.00 (plus fees) Coach/Official All Tournament – \$20.00 (plus fees)



\*NEW\* Administrator Ticket Requests. To request credentials for school administrators, please fill out the form below. Administrator Complimentary Ticket Request Form

<u>Media Credentials.</u> An online media credential request form will be posted once all teams have qualified for the state tournament. The deadline to request a media credential is May 14th, 12:00 pm. Please direct any questions to <u>pr@uiltexas.org.</u> Find the full media policy <u>HERE</u>.

### TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

**Parking.** Parking will be available free of charge at all locations.

<u>Coaches Credentials.</u> You will be provided a tattoo for each state qualifier, as well as <u>TWO</u> coaches wristbands. These are valid for both days, so do not cut it off.

<u>Food and Drinks.</u> Teams may bring in drink coolers and food through the designated team entrances only.

<u>Supervision of Students.</u> Each school is responsible for their students and behavior exhibited during all contests.

<u>Tennis Etiquette.</u> Applauding a good play is always in order. Applauding an error is never in order. If any person who takes it upon oneself to berate the officials or make oneself conspicuous by bad behavior, the team should be requested to leave the court area. Coaches are responsible for educating their students and parents about appropriate behavior. Players should shake the hand of their opponent before and after games.

<u>Warm-ups.</u> The players will have at least a 10-minute warm-up prior to the start of the match. The players must take all practice serves during this time.

**Balls.** UIL will furnish balls for all matches at the state tournament.

<u>Inclement Weather Schedule.</u> Please join the SportsYou group to stay most up to date on weather related schedule changes. Report to the courts regardless of the weather. Matches will begin as soon as the courts are playable.

Code: GDC742PA

<u>Athletic Trainers.</u> An athletic training room and two athletic trainers will be available at the tennis facility. EMTs will also be on staff in case of emergency. School trainers must request a wristband directly from Joseph Garmon or Sydney Johnson at the tournament. We will not give trainer wristbands to coaches.

### **MATCH INFORMATION**

<u>Substitutions.</u> Before the tournament begins, the qualifying school may make a substitution in doubles or mixed doubles, but not in singles. If at all possible, email Joseph Garmon (<u>jgarmon@uiltexas.org</u>) prior to the Friday before the tournament regarding changes in doubles teams or mixed doubles. Other doubles or mixed doubles substitutes may be permitted before beginning the tournament by notifying the site director.

• **Reminder:** Substitution may be made for illness, injury or academic ineligibility or if a student is penalized by the school for misconduct or violation of the code of conduct.

Rules. All UIL matches will follow USTA playing rules which can be reviewed HERE.

<u>Conduct.</u> According to the Athletic Plan, unsportsmanlike conduct rules will be enforced during the State Tennis Championships. Be sure to inform your students that acts such as abuse of racket, balls, or equipment, verbal or physical abuse of a player or official, or displaying any action which brings discredit to the individual or his/her school will be considered unsportsmanlike conduct. Any player displaying such conduct may be disqualified from further participation in the tournament. In the event such acts occur following the match, the medal will go to the next place finisher in that match.

The referee or court monitors may award point penalties for stalling, tardiness, and unsportsmanlike conduct. The court monitors or referee shall be the judge of any suspension, delay, or interference; and they may, in their discretion, penalize an offending player by awarding the opponent point(s) per offense or disqualify the offender. This does not rule out a competitor's liability to be disqualified for a single flagrant unsportsmanlike act.

The point penalty system will be as follows:

1st Offense: Point

2nd Offense: Game Default

3rd Offense: Default from Match/Tournament

\*Penalty points are cumulative throughout the tournament.

Penalties for tardiness will be as follows:

Before the Match Begins

5 minutes or less

Loss of toss plus 1 game

More than 5 minutes, but not more than 10 minutes More than 10 minutes, but not more than 15 minutes More than 15 minutes Loss of toss plus 2 games Loss of toss plus 3 games

Default

After Intermission

5 minutes or less More than 5 minutes One game Default

#### Coaching.

Number of Coaches Allowed

a) A maximum of 3 coaches may coach the team during a team match.

**Appropriate Timing of Coaching** 

a) Coaches are allowed to coach between points and in breaks of play.

Protocols of Coaches on Court

- a) Coaches may coach from on court but must be at or around the net post or bench area (specifically between the net post and half way down the service box). Only one coach may be on any one court at a time.
- b) Coaches should refrain from moving around during points and distracting players and/or disrupting continuous play.
- c) Coaches may move from court to court as long as it is between points and does not disrupt continuous play on any court.

### Protocols of Coaches off Court

a) Coaching is allowed if the coach is outside the court area as long as it is between points, in any breaks of play, and does not interfere with continuous play.

Opposing Players

a) Coaches shall not initiate conversation with an opposing player.

- b) Coaches shall not inject themselves in any on court problem unless the opposing coach is also present.
- c) Players shall not initiate conversation with an opposing coach.

<u>Tiebreakers.</u> The 12-Point Tiebreak Scoring System will operate when the score reaches six games all in each set. <u>Singles:</u>

- a. A player who first wins seven points shall win the game and the set provided he leads by a margin of two points. If the score reaches six points all, the game shall be extended until this margin has been achieved. Numerical scoring shall be used throughout the tiebreaker.
- b. The player who served the first game of the set shall be the server for the first point, which is delivered from the right court. The opponent shall be the server for the second and third points (delivered from the left court, then the right court), and thereafter each player shall serve alternately for two consecutive points (left court, then right court) until the winner of the game and set has been decided.
- c. Players shall change ends after every six points and at the conclusion of the tiebreaker. Note that after any change of ends the server will be serving his/her second serving point.
- d. The player who served first in the set that ended in a tiebreaker shall receive service in the first game of the following set.

#### Doubles:

- a. In doubles the procedure for singles shall apply. The player who served the first game of the set shall be the server for the first point. Thereafter each player shall serve in rotation for two points, in the same order as previously in that set, until the winners of the game and set have been decided.
- b. Players change ends after every six points and at the conclusion of the tiebreaker. The team that served first in the set that ended in a tiebreaker shall receive service in the first game of the following set.

<u>Awards.</u> Awards shall be distributed at the tennis tournament after all semi-final and finals matches, once the athletes report to the tournament desk. Site directors will present the awards.

<u>State Meet Certificates.</u> Certificates will be available for digital download located on the QR code inside the school packet.

### **BROADCAST INFORMATION**

<u>Videotaping.</u> If your school desires to film or videotape your state tournament matches, contact UIL staff before setting up equipment. Only teams playing will be able to film their own match.

## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

	UIL State Tennis Structure - Day 1										
	Time	Location	# of Matches		Time	Location	# of Matches		Time	Location	# of Matches
		Blossom Tennis Center				Annemarie Tennis Center				Northside Tennis Center	
Round of 16	8:00 AM	1A Boys Singles	4 matches	Round of 16	8:00 AM	3A Boys Singles	4 matches	Round of 16	8:00 AM	5A Boys Singles	4 matches
		2A Boys Singles	4 matches			4A Boys Singles	4 matches			6A Boys Singles	4 matches
		1A Girls Singles	4 matches			3A Girls Singles	4 matches			5A Girls Singles	4 matches
		2A Girls Singles	4 matches			4A Girls Singles	4 matches			6A Girls Singles	4 matches
		1A Boys Doubles	2 matches			3A Boys Doubles	2 matches			5A Boys Doubles	2 matches
	9:15 AM	1A Boys Doubles	2 matches		9:15 AM	3A Boys Doubles	2 matches		9:15 AM	5A Boys Doubles	2 matches
		2A Boys Doubles	4 matches			4A Boys Doubles	4 matches			6A Boys Doubles	4 matches
		1A Girls Doubles	4 matches			3A Girls Doubles	4 matches			5A Girls Doubles	4 matches
	10:00 AM	2A Girls Doubles	4 matches		10:00 AM	4A Girls Doubles	4 matches		10:00 AM	6A Girls Doubles	4 matches
		1A Mixed Doubles	4 matches			3A Mixed Doubles	4 matches			5A Mixed Doubles	4 matches
	11:00 AM	2A Mixed Doubles	4 matches		11:00 AM	4A Mixed Doubles	4 matches		11:00 AM	6A Mixed Doubles	4 matches
Quarterfinals		1A Boys Singles	4 matches	Quarterfinals		3A Boys Singles	4 matches	Quarterfinals		5A Boys Singles	4 matches
		2A Boys Singles	4 matches			4A Boys Singles	4 matches			6A Boys Singles	4 matches
	12:00 PM	1A Girls Singles	4 matches		12:00 PM	3A Girls Singles	4 matches		12:00 PM	5A Girls Singles	4 matches
		2A Girls Singles	2 matches			4A Girls Singles	2 matches			6A Girls Singles	2 matches
	1:00 PM	2A Girls Singles	2 matches		1:00 PM	4A Girls Singles	2 matches		1:00 PM	6A Girls Singles	2 matches
		1A Boys Doubles	4 matches			3A Boys Doubles	4 matches			5A Boys Doubles	4 matches
		2A Boys Doubles	4 matches			4A Boys Doubles	4 matches			6A Boys Doubles	4 matches
	1:45 PM	1A Girls Doubles	4 matches		1:45 PM	3A Girls Doubles	4 matches		1:45 PM	5A Girls Doubles	4 matches
		2A Girls Doubles	4 matches			4A Girls Doubles	4 matches			6A Girls Doubles	4 matches
	2:30 PM	1A Mixed Doubles	4 matches		2:30 PM	3A Mixed Doubles	4 matches		2:30 PM	5A Mixed Doubles	4 matches
		2A Mixed Doubles	4 matches			4A Mixed Doubles	4 matches			6A Mixed Doubles	4 matches
		Total Matches	80			Total Matches	80			Total Matches	80

UIL State Tennis Structure - Day 2											
	Time	Location	# of Matches		Time	Location	# of Matches		Time	Location	# of Matches
	Blossom Tennis Center				Annemarie Tennis Center				Northside Tennis Center		
Semifinals	8:00 AM	1A Boys Singles	2 matches	Semifinals	8:00 AM	3A Boys Singles	2 matches	Semifinals	8:00 AM	5A Boys Singles	2 matches
		2A Boys Singles	2 matches			4A Boys Singles	2 matches			6A Boys Singles	2 matches
		1A Girls Singles	2 matches			3A Girls Singles	2 matches			5A Girls Singles	2 matches
		2A Girls Singles	2 matches			4A Girls Singles	2 matches			6A Girls Singles	2 matches
	9:15 AM	1A Boys Doubles	2 matches		9:15 AM	3A Boys Doubles	2 matches		9:15 AM	5A Boys Doubles	2 matches
		2A Boys Doubles	2 matches			4A Boys Doubles	2 matches			6A Boys Doubles	2 matches
		1A Girls Doubles	2 matches			3A Girls Doubles	2 matches			5A Girls Doubles	2 matches
		2A Girls Doubles	2 matches			4A Girls Doubles	2 matches			6A Girls Doubles	2 matches
		1A Mixed Doubles	2 matches			3A Mixed Doubles	2 matches			5A Mixed Doubles	2 matches
		2A Mixed Doubles	2 matches			4A Mixed Doubles	2 matches			6A Mixed Doubles	2 matches
Finals	12:00 PM	1A Boys Singles	1 match	Finals	12:00 PM	3A Boys Singles	1 match	Finals	12:00 PM	5A Boys Singles	1 match
		2A Boys Singles	1 match			4A Boys Singles	1 match			6A Boys Singles	1 match
		1A Girls Singles	1 match			3A Girls Singles	1 match			5A Girls Singles	1 match
		2A Girls Singles	1 match			4A Girls Singles	1 match			6A Girls Singles	1 match
	:15 PM	1A Boys Doubles	1 match		1:15 PM	3A Boys Doubles	1 match		1:15 PM	5A Boys Doubles	1 match
		2A Boys Doubles	1 match			4A Boys Doubles	1 match			6A Boys Doubles	1 match
		1A Girls Doubles	1 match			3A Girls Doubles	1 match			5A Girls Doubles	1 match
		2A Girls Doubles	1 match			4A Girls Doubles	1 match			6A Girls Doubles	1 match
		1A Mixed Doubles	1 match			3A Mixed Doubles	1 match			5A Mixed Doubles	1 match
		2A Mixed Doubles	1 match			4A Mixed Doubles	1 match			6A Mixed Doubles	1 match
		Total Matches	30			Total Matches	30			Total Matches	30

## Blossom Tennis Center 1A-2A May 15-16, 2025



Annemarie Tennis Center 3A-4A May 15-16, 2025



Northside Tennis Center 5A-6A May 15-16, 2025



## **PRACTICE COURTS**

## Alamo Heights Tennis Center Available:

Available: Wednesday (5/14) 2pm – 9m Thursday (5/15) 7:30am – 1pm

## **Annemarie Tennis Center**

Available: Wednesday (5/14) 9am – 9pm Thursday (5/15) 9am – 9pm

### **Northside Tennis Center**

Available: Wednesday (5/14) 9am – 9pm Thursday (5/15) 9am – 9pm