

# AVON HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS 2021



## PARENT MEETING

### Team Moms:

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### **Avon Sports Booster Representative:**

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### Coaching Staff:

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**Brent Thompson – Volunteer  
Asst. Coach**

### Player Contact Information Sheet –

Please be sure to complete this paper and return it to Coach Mize

### 2021 Costs:

\$350.00

**\$300.00** (for those players who purchased the ¼ zip last year)

\$25.00 – Floyd Central (for those players who make the trip)

Returning Players, please have your fees paid by March 1, 2021. New team members, fees will be due by March 17, 2021. Fees may be paid through E-Funds on the AHS website. Sign-in as a guest or create an account. Select Optional Fees.

### Volunteers

**We will need volunteers to help with the following. Please reach out to Sharon Harris on your preference to help out.**

1. **Avon Invitational** – help with set-up, possibly squeegeeing the courts, food donations, etc. The Avon Invite is schedule for May 1, 2021
2. **Senior Night** (either April 29 or May 13) AHS.
3. **End-of-Season Awards Night** (date to be determined)
4. **End of Year Slide Show**
5. **Meal Pick-up for away matches.** Deliver to courts between 3:00-3:10
6. **Gatorade/Powerade purchase & Cooler supplied for away matches.**
7. **Social Media (Twitter)** – need someone willing to post info., photos, etc.
8. **Hang Tennis Signs/Banners on fence.**

**Team Meals/Snacks:** This year, we will be purchasing **Jimmy Johns** and another vendor for the away matches.

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Sectionals, Regionals, Semi-State and State meals will have to be set up as needed.

Prior to the first away match, each player will be given a form to fill out indicating her meal order.

For **home matches**, players will be expected to eat on their own before arriving to the courts for warm up. Please make arrangements in advance to ensure your daughter has eaten prior to a home game.

At home matches, parents will volunteer to stock a "Snack Table" for the players to enjoy post-match play. In the past, items such as sweets (cookies), fruit, granola bars and Gatorade have been available. **These will need to be pre-packaged items. We will be sending out a Sign-up Genius volunteer form via email.**

For the "Snack Table" at home matches:

- This year we need to plan on 30 players and 4 coaches plus ? managers.
- **If you do not sign up, you will be assigned a date.** If you are unable to supply snacks/drinks on the day you were assigned, it's your responsibility to trade dates with another family.
- If your match date is rained out or rescheduled, you are responsible for providing snacks/drinks for the make-up date.
- If you supply snacks for the team and the match gets rained out mid match, you do not have to feed them again on the makeup. Instead, we'll need parents to pitch-in for the make-up match.

- If your work schedule doesn't allow you to have the food there early enough, just call another parent to see if they can help get it there.
- Provide anything you think the players would enjoy.

Please speak with your daughter and encourage her to be considerate of all players. The first players off the courts tend to eat a lot and, unfortunately, that means there's not always enough for those last off the courts.

**Movie Night/Ice cream:** Girls will plan this after practices over break for some bonding time.

**Senior Night:** Senior night is a family event to honor the senior players. Date TBA.

Parents of seniors, this is the night you get to *display a collage* of your daughter for all to see. It's never too early to get started on it!

**End-of-Season Awards Night:** At the end of the season, the team has an awards night. More information will be coming soon!

## **Practices:**

**Spring Break Practices:**  
**First Week of Spring Break Optional - will tweet times**

**Second Week of Spring Break Mandatory!**

**Afternoon Practice:** Starting Monday, March 15th practices will be held after school until 6:00pm. **On days when it is raining, they will practice indoors**

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until 5:00pm – once the season begins.

**Saturday Practices:** There will be some Saturday practices.

Must have **10** practices to play 1<sup>st</sup> match.

## **Miscellaneous:**

### **Travel Release for parent**

**transportation** – Players are expected to ride the team bus both going and returning from away matches. If players are not going to ride the bus, a Travel Release form must be filled out and given to one of the coaches. These forms are available on the AHS website under “Athletics → Athletic Forms → Travel Release”. Students are not permitted to drive themselves or other students to away matches. You may download the form to your phone, sign and submit to the coach.

**Tennis Etiquette** – **Parent to player communications are not permitted during a match.** Only the coaches may speak to the players and then only when changing sides. It’s OK to cheer a point, but please do so without being cause for distraction to adjacent matches underway.

**Sick Policy** – Avon High School policy is that if a student is home sick, or goes home sick during the day, then it is not appropriate for that student to engage in practice or match play on that day.

**Cell Phone Policy** – IHSA has a cell phone policy, which requires all cell phones to be silent during a match.

Penalty points may be awarded if cell phone ringing disturbs match play.

**No cell phones are allowed in locker rooms or restrooms.**

**Grades:** All players are required to maintain a “C” Average or higher. *The AHS Girls team has a reputation of nomination to the All State Academic Team Honors. Go Oriole Girls!!!*

For more information, go to Spring Sports, Girls Tennis home page to access the Indiana High School Tennis Coaches Association and view the academic & athletic accomplishments of your Girls team over the years as well as the District 3 & 5 positions past Avon Students have advanced to.

### **Team Match Schedule:**

To view the latest team match schedule and court locations, start by going to the Avon High School Website. Choose the Athletics Tab→AHS Athletics→Spring Sports→Girls Tennis→Under “Team Links” choose **Match Schedule**.

For the latest schedule updated daily by the athletic dept, go to AHS website→→Today’s Events→choose Spring at top of page→Tennis→Girls Varsity.

**Follow Coach and the Girls team:**  
on twitter @ Avon Tennis

**Pictures:** TBA

## **AVON SPORTS BOOSTERS CLUB**

**Thank you to all Tennis parents who are supporting your student by joining the AVON SPORTS BOOSTERS!!**

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**Membership:** We ask that all tennis parents consider joining the Avon Sports Booster Club. What is Sports Boosters? It is a non-profit parent volunteer organization which raises money to defray the costs of athletic expenses. Currently, the Sports Boosters contributes to the athletic fee of each and every athlete. The Sports Boosters also provide:

- Flowers on Senior night
- Varsity Letters and Chevrons
- \$10.00 per athlete to be used toward a team meal
- Scholarships to deserving senior college bound athletes each year.
- Athletic training supplies

You must be a Booster Club member for your daughter to be eligible for the scholarship, so if you have a senior, you will need to join the Booster Club. Each year you are a SPORTS BOOSTER, your daughter will receive valuable points for her scholarship application. You can become a member for as little as \$25 (tax

deductible) and all money supports ALL of the athletic programs at AHS.

**Concessions:** As a means of raising money for the Sports Boosters, each sport is responsible for providing concession help for half of all home sporting events. Based upon the number of athletes that participate in each sport, we are assigned a certain number of concession stand duties.

You will not be alone; there will be other parents from other sports, plus band parents working with you. When you work concessions, there are two places to sign: at the gate where you go in and at the concession stand. Be sure to sign in both places or we won't get credit for you working.

*Our Sports Booster Representative will contact you next fall and winter to let you know when concession dates have been assigned to girls tennis.*

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## **Boy's & Girl's Player/Parent/Coach Agreement**

As a member of the Avon High School Tennis Team, we are looking forward to another great season. By participating on this team, you are making a commitment to your coach, your teammates, and most importantly, yourself. By reading and signing this Agreement, you are agreeing to abide by and follow the rules of the Avon High School Tennis Team.

### **Conduct – You are a representative of your school and yourself.**

- Spectators, opponents, coaches, teammates, and yourself will be treated with respect at all times.
- Players will support and encourage their teammates at all times.
- Concerns and/or problems with fellow teammates or a coach will be dealt with outside of practice time or left off the court.
- Cell phones are not to be on (or used) during practices, matches, or tournaments unless approval has been given by a coach.

### **Attendance – Practices are an essential part of tennis and need to be attended.**

- Appointments, work, or other school related activities need to be planned outside of practice and match time.  
Some conflicts are unavoidable, but they need to be discussed with your coach as soon as possible.
- At least a two-day notification, if not more, is necessary for the above events.
- Scheduled team practices are required. If you chronically miss practices, you will not play in some or all of the matches that week.
- Players are to be **fully dressed and ready for practice 5 minutes prior to the start of practice.**
- If you miss school or leave school early due to illness you are not allowed to practice that day. You must notify coach Mize of your absence. Don't rely on a teammate to give this information to a coach, this is the player's responsibility.

### **Line-up:**

- **Challenge matches can and will be held at the discretion of the coach.**  
Players who cannot play their challenge matches for any reason will forfeit the match and it will count as a loss. Challenge matches can be an eight game pro-set, best of three sets (including 10 point tiebreakers), etc.
- Challenge matches give the coach a measuring stick to evaluate players' abilities, but ultimately success is achieved from the entire team and their willingness to support one another no matter which position they are asked to play.

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## **Matches:**

- For home matches, you need to be on court and ready 5 minutes prior to the time the coach wants you there.
- For away matches, you need to be at the bus pick-up area 5-10 minutes prior to the time the bus is scheduled to leave.
- As this is a team sport, each player needs to stay until the end of all matches and support your teammates as they play their matches.
- Home matches, Varsity players are required to stay for the JV matches and support the team. The same is true for JV players as they are required to show up early for Varsity matches and support the team. (JV players will be on court warming up prior to the start of Varsity matches.)
- Away matches and tournaments: Players are expected to stay for the entire match or tournament. Some exceptions will be made if there is a need to leave early, arrangements must be made beforehand. Remember this is a team and your responsibility to the team is not done until all teammates are done playing.

## **Rides:**

- Players will not be allowed to drive to or from away matches. There may be a few instances (overnight trips, conference tournament, or state tournament) where parents may need to take or pick their player up from an away match site. In these cases, a travel release form must be completed. Parents, have a ride waiting for your player at the school by the time the bus returns from an away match.

## **Ineligibility:**

- School guidelines for grades, attendance, and athletic code of conduct will be followed. The Athletic Department informs coaches of a players eligibility.

## **Discipline:**

- Violation of the above team rules may and will result in physical exercise and/or loss of match privileges as determined by the transgression.
- As a last resort, players may be asked to leave the team if they cannot be a respectful, productive, and committed member of the team.

## **Spectators:**

- Spectators are welcomed and encouraged to attend as many matches as possible, however, they need to follow general tennis etiquette. It is the responsibility of the player to inform his or her family members and friends of proper conduct.

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- If the spectator's conduct exceeds appropriate tennis etiquette, that spectator will be asked to leave or the point penalty system will take affect for that player or team.

## **Questions:**

- If a player or parent has any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Coach Mize. In many instances, Coach will follow-up with you within 24-48 hours, if not sooner.
- Coach Mize: RAMize@avon-schools.org

## **Letters/Awards:**

- To receive a Varsity Letter, a player must play in a varsity match or be listed on the sectional or conference tournament rosters, and remain in good standing with the team **throughout the entire season**. Additional awards **MAY** be given out in the following areas:
- **Most Valuable Player** – This award is presented to the Varsity player that is deemed irreplaceable and is instrumental to the team's success.
- **Leadership** -- This award is presented to the Varsity player who exemplifies a great attitude, excellent sportsmanship, a strong work ethic, dedication, and other great leadership qualities.
- **Mental Attitude** -- This award is presented to a player (Varsity or JV) who represents the Avon Tennis Program positively and with dignity. This player competes with absolute honesty and sportsmanship and expects nothing less from their teammates. This player handles pressure and adversity with grit and determination.
- **Sportsmanship** -- This award is presented to a player (Varsity or JV) who displays the best attitude, comradery, and respect towards their teammates as well as their opponents.