

## Tennis Season Rules and Expectations

1/17

### Practice

1. Plan ahead for practice every day. If inclement weather, we will still meet in my classroom J-8 at 2:45.
2. No cell phone, iPod, homework, books, tablet, "love interest" or other distractions will be permitted at practice. (if there is an emergency-phone is allowed if notice is given to coach)
3. If a player fails to make practice without illness or parent excusal, that player will be substituted out the next match. (one set)
4. If player fails to make two practices, that player may sit out two full matches (coaches meeting will take place to discuss disciplinary action) and parent notification will be given to parents of breach of team rules.
5. If player misses more than two practices without parent or school excusal, that player could be removed from the team. Parent/ student meeting to take place.
6. Good conduct on the court is expected. No racquet throwing, cursing, cheating of any kind, or poor sportsmanship will be tolerated. If so that player will sit out the rest of practice/ match or other disciplinary action coach (s) deems necessary.
7. Players will wear REV practice gear to practice. Black shorts and a red shirt. Proper tennis shoes are required.

### Matches

1. All above apply.
2. Players must wear uniform. It is to be kept clean and orderly.
3. Players will notify their teachers of their dismissal time before class. Homework, tests, quizzes need to be made up in a timely manner per teacher policy.
4. Players will uphold REV standards of sportsmanship expectations at all time.
5. Pride, dignity, and class will be shown whether you win or lose, and whether we win or lose.
6. If there is disciplinary action that needs attention, the coach (with consult of executive committee) parents, and administration may be involved.
7. Punishments / action will reflect the degree of the infraction.
8. All matches are to be played in the gentlemanly spirit that prevails in tennis.

### Ladder Rules and Regulations

#### Round Robin rules

1. All players that are in good standing (physicals and academics cleared) and have attended at least 5 practices will be placed on the ladder. Placement is established by coach based on level of skill, experience, and personal goals.
2. All players will (must) play at least 4 round robin sets (no ad) in order to be placed on the ladder (singles and or doubles).
3. Rankings will be established by head to head wins v. loses and games won v. games lost.
4. If a player dominates their bracket, then they will be placed one bracket up. Coaches will determine initial placement on bracket.
5. If a player struggles mightily in their bracket, they will be placed one bracket down (coaches decision).
6. If a player fails to attend practice on the day of their match, (without notice) that player forfeits their match with a 0-6 score and will have to make up that match on their own time (after practice, during challenge time or on a weekend). If a challenge is given the match must be played within 5 practice days or 7 total days from day of challenge. If the challenge is not accepted and played within 7 days, the challenger will receive a 6-0 score and the challenge will receive a 0-6 score. Coach must be notified of impending match.

Once ladder matches are completed and ladder is established

1. The ladder is to be made public.
2. A singles and doubles ladder will be established for varsity and junior varsity.
3. Players may challenge a maximum of 2 spots up. The number 4 spot (1st JV) may challenge player 2 or 3 on varsity.

4. In order to overtake a position, a player must beat that player or position 2 consecutive times.
5. A challenge match is one set (no ad) and must be completed in order to count.
6. All challenge matches must be played at practice or on weekends; coach must be given at least 24 hours notice of challenge and acceptance of challenge. See rule #10
7. All challenges must be played within 5 practice days. Only exception is excused illness or parent excuse (vacation/family emergency)
8. If a challenge is not played in good faith within 5 days the challenger will receive a win and the challenge will receive a loss at that position.
9. The position on the ladder is the position of play during matches.
10. If you defeat a person 3 times they may not challenge you again during the season.
11. You may not challenge the same player more than once in a 7 day period and may not challenge another player while there is another challenge to be played.
12. Coach and executive council reserve the right to alter rules and regulations. Players have the right to appeal to council. Council must provide explanation of all rulings. Executive council rulings are final.
13. Coach has prerogative to initiate a challenge match. Match rules apply.
14. In order to receive a varsity letter a player must play at least 15 varsity sets.