



# Peak to Peak High School

## Girls Tennis Contract and Expectations



The foundation of our program is based on the following cornerstones: fair play, sportsmanship, competitiveness, personal responsibility, academics and leadership. It is the focus of these cornerstones that we all work together to achieve success season after season. This contract reminds us of the expectations that it takes to establish a truly unique high school athletic program. It is required that an athlete and their parent/guardian sign the attached contract page in order to be a member of the Peak to Peak High School tennis team.

### Coaching Staff Contacts

Varsity-Eric Carlson, [carlsontennis61@gmail.com](mailto:carlsontennis61@gmail.com)

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### Athlete Expectations

Code of Conduct - Athletes are held to the BVSD Public Schools Code of Conduct. Athletes and Parents are reminded that student athletes are on “contract” during the entire school year, on and off campus.

Academics - Academic performance is the first priority for all players. Each player must meet the academic standards and eligibility requirements set by CHSAA. As an out of building coach I receive updates via email regarding academic standings. Two failing grades during any reporting period constitute ineligibility for the following week. This means students cannot play the following week, but are expected to still participate at practices.

Practice/Function Attendance - **Athletes are expected to be at all practice sessions and team functions during the season.** Athletes can be excused from practice or a team function if the absence is related to an academic field trip or if they are ill. **Homework and work** do not fall into the excused absence category. We feel that being a part of an athletic team helps student athletes develop time management skills that will be valuable as they move on in life. We use the honor system when dealing with illnesses. If athletes are going to be late to a practice, they should notify their respective coach as soon as possible. We understand there may be circumstances that are out of your control, however excessive and unexcused tardiness will result in the removal from a match or possible removal from the team. An unexcused absence from practice may result in the athlete not being able to play in the next scheduled match or a match of the coach’s choosing. Three unexcused absences will result in removal from the team. **We ask that parents avoid scheduling any appointments during practice or match days.**

Match Attendance/Requirements - Athletes should be at match sites dressed and ready at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the match. **Athletes are expected to remain at the match or tournament until the last team member has stepped off the court.** Athletes must wear the required uniform on match day and Peak to Peak related gear (hoodies/l's tees/sweatpants) over that uniform if weather requires.

Sportsmanship - Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated at practice or matches. This includes racket or ball abuse, profane language, trash talk and taunting, cheating, stalling, faking injury, pouting and insubordination to the coaching staff, umpires, other coaches, tournament directors and parents. If any of the above are observed, the athlete will receive a point penalty from the coaching staff. A second offense and an athlete will lose a game. If a third reprimand is required the athlete will be removed from the match and the match defaulted.

Communication - Athletes are expected to communicate with their coach in the event of any schedule change, absence or issue. Team Snap is the preferred method, but texts are also welcome. Methods in which athletes can receive information on the day of the event are  
1. Athletic office 2. Text from their team captain. 3. Team Snap Notification from the coach, call or email.

It is also the athlete's responsibility to let parents know of any changes to the practice or match schedule/location ASAP. We will let athletes know as soon as possible should something change. Please be sure to check the P2P website for all events.

Lettering Policy - An athlete must be academically eligible per district and state requirements and end the season in good standing. A player must compete in varsity matches to be eligible to earn a letter. Special circumstances may be considered at the coach's discretion.

Transportation - Peak to Peak does not provide transportation for student athletes to all athletic events. What this means to our athletes and parents is that you will assume more responsibility for getting yourselves or your student athletes to and from some events. Transportation will not be provided for competitions or events.

## Parent/Supporter Expectations

Parents are expected to support their athlete in a positive manner, being a role model of good sportsmanship and fair play. **Parents are not allowed to coach in any way during a match.**

Tennis sportsmanship rules include:

- Cheering/applauding only when your athlete hits a winner or plays a great point.
- Congratulating your athlete's opponent and parent(s) (win or lose) on a match well played.
- Not making exaggerated audible noises, negative body language, or any other reaction to a suspected poor call, opponent behavior, missed shot by your own athlete, or behavior by an opponent's coach, parent or supporter.

If you witness poor sportsmanship from another team (including fans, parents, coaches) please let a coach know and we can address it. Parents of the Peak to Peak Tennis Program are expected to conduct themselves to a standard of sportsmanship above that of our league, region and state. Parents or supporters can be removed from an event if necessary.

Respect/Chain of Command - Parents are expected to treat the coaching staff, school administrative team, officials and tournament directors with respect. We ask that parents do not approach other coaches, tournament directors or officials with concerns. Please let your respective coach know and we can address any concerns you may have. If the problem is still not resolved, Dan Seidman, the Peak to Peak High School Athletic Director should be notified.

Communication - Parents are expected to understand these policies and procedures are established to maintain an equitable experience for all who participate in the program. Please

encourage your player to ask questions of the coach if there is a concern. This experience should help them grow as much off the court as on and the experience of addressing an issue directly with an adult will be a positive learning experience. We would prefer to hear from the athlete first before being contacted by a parent. However we do have an open communication policy, so if there is something you would like to discuss with a coach, feel free to email us. We ask that you do not address any issue before or during a match, as we will be focused on the match and cannot afford to miss any key coaching moments with the players.

Patience & Understanding - Parents are expected to exercise patience and consideration with the weather, rescheduling of matches, dual match sites, the irresponsibility or disorganization of other programs, and other issues outside of the coaching staff's immediate control. We ask that you avoid scheduling events on open Saturdays or practice days, as we may need to make up matches on those open days.

Please print and sign then return this form (last page only) to Coach Carlson.

Printed name

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_