

# Philadelphia Area USTA Jr. Team Tennis Fall League Coaches Meeting

## Agenda

August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. General Information about USTA Jr. Team Tennis**
  - a. Districts has been eliminated. 12u and 14u advance to Section Championships.
  - b. Format at Sectionals is Boys Singles, Girls Singles, Mixed Doubles and Coed Doubles.
- 3. Start and End Dates**
  - a. September 7<sup>th</sup> to start
  - b. October 19<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> to end
- 4. Divisions**
  - a. 10 and under Orange Dot
    - i. Only use orange balls
    - ii. Use 60 foot 10 and under courts
    - iii. Players must not turn 11 before November 30, 2024
  - b. 12 and under Green Dot
    - i. Only use green dot balls
    - ii. Full Size Courts
    - iii. All players must have a green or yellow ball level in their USTA account
    - iv. Players must not turn 13 before June 7, 2025
  - c. 14 and under Yellow
    - i. Yellow Ball
    - ii. Full Size court
    - iii. All Players must have a yellow ball level in their USTA account
    - iv. Players must not turn 15 before June 22, 2025
  - d. High School Boys
    - i. For High School Boys
    - ii. Players must not turn 19 before June 7, 2025
- 5. Coordinators**
  - a. Justin for 10u, 12u 14u
  - b. Billy for 18u
- 6. Days/Times of Play**
  - a. All matches are scheduled for Saturday
  - b. Default match time is 1pm
  - c. Coaches must let Justin know if you want earlier or later home match start times
  - d. Scheduled matches should not be earlier than 12pm or later than 3:30pm
  - e. Coaches must let Justin know of any bad dates before the team registration deadline
- 7. Costs**
  - a. USTA Membership is free, but all players must be members. Note that players may be attached to a USTA account but not have a membership. Parents need to make sure they have a membership.
  - b. League Fees- \$14. Goes towards admin and awards.
- 8. USTA Safe Play**

- a. All coaches must be updated on Safeplay and background checks
- b. Without SafePlay approval, coaches access TennisLink which gives them the ability to enter teams and scores.

#### **9. Courts**

- a. All teams must have at least 2 courts available for a 2 hour period for a match
- b. Courts must be secured by the coach and team
- c. In the event that the match goes over 2 hours, it's the home teams responsible to extend that court time. If not, then the home team loses the remaining games by default.

#### **10. Formats of Play**

- a. 10u, 12u and 14u
  - i. 3 Singles and 2 Doubles regardless of gender
  - ii. 8 game pro set
  - iii. No- Ad Scoring
  - iv. Tiebreaker played at 7-7
- b. High School Boys
  - i. 3 Singles and 2 Doubles
  - ii. Boys Only
  - iii. 8 game pro set
  - iv. No- Ad Scoring
  - v. Tiebreaker played at 7-7

#### **11. Levels of Play and NTRP ratings**

- a. 10 and under and 12 and under- No Rating Limit
- b. 14 and under – WTN between 27 and 40
- c. High School Boys- WTN between 23 and 40
  - i. Teams separated by level of play per division

#### **12. Advancement- ONLY Sectionals Now**

- a. All players need at least 6 players AND at least 2 from each gender who have played in at least 1 match in order to advance.
- b. 10 and under and High School Boys do NOT advance
- c. 12u and 14u advance to Section Championships

#### **13. League Rules and Regulations**

- a. Please check the website for all league rules and regulations

#### **14. Parent Guidelines**

- a. Parents are spectators and are not to communicate with their players about line calls, scoring or any coaching
- b. Parents should tell their coach of any issues
- c. A parent or coach may help out with 10 and under matches.

#### **15. Team Registration**

- a. Teams must also have at least 3 players registered as well by the deadline- August 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm. Some teams have restrictions from previous seasons.

#### **16. Player Registration**

- a. Players must be registered by the Wednesday after a match happens. Otherwise, a match may be put in as a default.

#### **17. Questions**