



IOWA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Tennis Memo #2

March 6, 2026

Good morning, Head Tennis Coaches & AD's –

Hope everyone is getting excited and prepared for the upcoming tennis season. Below are a few reminders as we are just a little over a week out from the official start of the 2026 season:

1. Online Rules Meetings

As a reminder, the 2026 tennis rules meeting is live [through Bound](#) and required to be completed by all head coaches for postseason eligibility. If you are new to your program or district, please have your AD create and assign an account for you. **Coaches have until Friday, April 3 to view and receive credit.**

2. Tennis Host Sites

AD's & Head Coaches, please ensure you have completed the host availability form within Bound if you are able & willing to be a host site for postseason tennis. If you have adequate tennis facilities, we encourage you to be a host.

4. Postseason Format

As a reminder from previous memo and rules meeting, only the top 32 teams in each class will participate in our substate team tennis tournament. If you wish to opt out of consideration for the team portion (per manual, must have 6 eligible players for team), your school's AD must submit this request on school letterhead. Submitted prior to substate sites & assignments being released the week of May 4 (NFHS Week 44). With new format, there will no longer be a seeding meeting and substate team sites & assignments will be released together towards the end of week 44 to try and account for as much of the season as possible for assigning purposes. District singles & doubles remain unchanged.

5. 2026 IHSAA Dates

If you haven't yet looked ahead, please check out the dates assigned to boys' tennis for the 2026 postseason. These are available through the digital [Calendar - High School Boys' Sports | IHSAA \(iahsaa.org\)](#), in the calendars on our [Coaches & Administrators page](#), and are also listed in the [2026 IHSAA Tennis Postseason Manual](#) that is also now available.

6. Preliminary Classifications

Check [IHSAA Preliminary Classifications](#) posted. If you are involved in a co-op, ensure that it is listed. If you feel you may need to create one, this needs to be completed prior to the start of the regular season (March 16, 2026).

7. Universal Tennis

Reminder that UTR is required for 1A to enter rosters and 2A to enter rosters and all results throughout the season. Bound has information set to sync to eliminate double entry. Ensure when rosters are entered, they are entered identically in each platform to ensure proper syncing.

Full details on UTR are on our [Tennis Page](#) of our website and in previous memo.

Looking forward to the 2026 season! Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns you may have.



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