

Matches start this week! You'll see that the schedule gets a little bit more complicated as we have different groups of players competing in different events or practicing each day. Be sure that you are checking the schedule carefully so that you are in the right places for events. Rosters for events are included later in this email.

Picture day was earlier today. If you missed it and would still like to be part of the team picture or have individual pictures taken, let me know, and I'll forward you the information I have from the photographer.

If you are scheduled to compete in an event but know that you are not available to play that day, please let me know as soon as possible so that we can find a replacement for you. Part of the reason we are able to schedule matches for everyone is that other teams and coaches know that we will have players at events, the matches will be competitive, and we will treat all opponents with respect.

Additionally, many of us will be back in the school building full-time. As you are returning to school with your classmates, we know that it is impossible to eliminate all risk, but please be sure that you are making as many choices as you can to reduce your risk for contracting COVID and for being considered a close contact if a classmate or teammate tests positive.

For home matches and matches played at other SMSD schools, all spectators must be masked and allow for personal distancing with people who are not part of your immediate family.

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#### SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

##### **MONDAY, 3/22**

- V/JV Practice - Meet at Harmon Park Upper Courts - 3:15-5:00
- Blue/White Match Day #6 - 5:00-6:00
  - Chix with Stix v. Deuce X - Harmon Park
  - Fishmen v. Team Tennis - Harmon Park
  - Out of Practice v. TWS - SME Courts

##### **TUESDAY, 3/23**

- **Varsity Match v. SM West** - Harmon Park - 3:30 start time. Be at courts and ready to warm-up at 3:00. Players from the V/JV group are playing in this event.
- **JV Match @ SM West** - SM West HS Courts - 3:30 start time. Provide your own transportation. Arrive at SM West as close to 3:00 as you can. If you are scheduled in the match and know that transportation will be an issue, let me know, and I'll see if I can secure a van for us. We can transport 4 or 5 players in a van depending on which one we get. Players from Blue/White group are playing in this event.
- **V/JV Practice (for players not competing in the match)** - SME Courts - 3:15-5:00

##### **WEDNESDAY, 3/24**

- **Match v. Lincoln Prep** - Harmon Park Upper Courts - 3:30 start time. Be at courts and ready to warm-up at 3:00. Players from both V/JV and Blue/White group are playing in this event.
- **V/JV Practice (for players not competing in the match)** - SME Courts - Two Groups (Group 1 - 3:00-4:30; Group 2 - 4:30-6:00)

##### **THURSDAY, 3/25**

- **Varsity Match v. SM South** - Harmon Park - 3:30 start time. Be at courts at ready to warm-up at 3:00. Players from the V/JV group are playing in this event.
- **JV Match @ SM South (Indian Creek Recreation Center - 103rd and Marty)** - Provide your own transportation. Arrive at Indian Creek by 3:00. If you are scheduled in the match and know that

transportation will be an issue, let me know, and I'll see if I can secure a van for us. We can transport 4 or 5 players in a van depending on which one we get. Players from V/JV group are playing in this event.

## **FRIDAY, 3/26**

- V/JV - Meet at Harmon Park Upper Courts - 3:15-5:00.

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### BLUE/WHITE TEAM STANDINGS

The standings remain close. We use individual match wins to determine standings and then the percentage of games won as a tiebreaker for teams with the same number of match wins.

Place	Team	Individual Match Wins	Game Winning %
1st	<b>TWS</b>	12	62%
2nd	<b>Deuce X</b>	12	61%
3rd	<b>Chix with Stix</b>	11	59%
4th	<b>Out of Practice</b>	10	52%
5th	<b>Team Tennis</b>	6	45%
6th	<b>Fishmen</b>	6	20%

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### MATCHES

**Format** - Dual matches usually consist of both singles and doubles play. Each player typically plays a set of each. At matches designated as varsity, both singles and doubles matches are usually 8 game pro-sets with regular scoring. JV matches may either be 8 game pro-sets or 6 game sets. Depending on the number of matches we are hoping to get on court and available court space and light, we may use either regular or no-ad scoring.

**Uniforms** - We are still waiting for uniforms to arrive. In the meantime, if you have a Columbia Blue uniform top from the past, you should wear it and black tennis shorts. If you are a new player and do not have a uniform top that fits, please wear a Columbia Blue top or another shirt that identifies you as an East player.

**Transportation** - Please arrive and be ready to start warm-up at locations and times designated on the schedule. As I mentioned earlier, if transportation is an issue for you, let me know, and I'll secure a school van so that a member of the coaching staff can transport some players. When riding in school vehicles, all passengers are required to wear masks. If you are riding with someone who is not in your immediate family, you should also wear a mask.

**Water and Snacks** - You are responsible for bringing a filled water jug and snacks that you may need to the match.

**Masks** - You must wear a mask when not on-court. We should also maintain personal distance from teammates when not on-court.

**Scheduling** - When scheduling players for events, we take several factors into consideration.

- 1) What will position our team for seeding in tournaments later in the season?
- 2) What is the level of the players on the other team? Which portion of our team best matches up with those players to create competitive match-ups?

- 3) KSHSAA limits the number of events players can compete in. No single player can play in all of the events we have scheduled.

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**ROSTERS FOR THIS WEEK**

**Tuesday, March 23**

Varsity Match v. SM West - Harmon Park Upper Courts - Be ready to start warm-up at 3:00 p.m.

Bair, Henry  
Crosser, Miles  
Curchin, Oscar  
Duckworth, Keaton  
Friskel, Luke  
Jenkins, Jordan  
Kahl, George  
McKee, Harper  
Patterson, Max  
Ternus, Owen  
Tilton, Josh  
True, Eric

JV Match @ SM West - SM West HS Courts - Be there and ready to start warm-up as close to 3:00 p.m as possible.

Breier, Ian  
Cronenwett, Charlie  
Kaufmann, Felix  
Mun, Andrew  
Mun, Joseph  
Smith, Brady  
Sutherland, Dylan  
Warren, Andy

V/JV Practice - All V/JV group players not assigned to compete in a match will practice at SME Courts from 3:15-5:00.

**Wednesday, March 24**

Varsity and JV Match v. Lincoln Prep - Harmon Park Upper Courts - Be ready to start warm-up at 3:00 p.m.

Anderson, Isaac  
Bihuniak, Avery  
Cowden, Ben  
Fay, Eli  
Hu, Raymond  
Kuhlman, Max  
Rener, Lincoln  
Shackelford, Jake  
Tsaur, Luke  
Wegner, Andrew

Practice Group #1 - SME Courts - 3:00-4:30

Bair, Henry  
Duckworth, Keaton  
Eason, Blake  
Faris, Graham  
Freund, Sam  
Jenkins, Jordan  
Kahl, George

Mosher, Hudson  
Olufson, Ethan  
Patterson, Max  
Ternus, Owen  
Tilton, Josh  
True, Eric  
Wiedeman, Gregor

Practice Group #2 - SME Courts - 4:30-6:00

Crosser, Miles  
Curchin, Oscar  
Desbois, Lucas  
Dunn, Russ  
Friskel, Luke  
Leopold, Eddie  
McKee, Harper  
Podrebarac, Jacob  
Podrebarac, Pierre  
Shaeffer, Christian  
Stephens, Coleman  
Vaughan, Jack

Thursday, March 25

Varsity Match v. SM South - Harmon Park Upper Courts - Be ready to start warm-up at 3:00 p.m.

Anderson, Isaac  
Bair, Henry  
Curchin, Oscar  
Duckworth, Keaton  
Eason, Blake  
Faris, Graham  
Freund, Sam  
Jenkins, Jordan  
Kahl, George  
McKee, Harper  
Mosher, Hudson  
Olufson, Ethan  
Ternus, Owen  
Tilton, Josh  
True, Eric  
Wiedeman, Gregor

JV Match v. SM South - Indian Creek Recreation Center - 103rd and Marty. Be there and ready to start warm-up as close to 3:00 p.m as possible.

Bradley, Ben  
Dunn, Russ  
Fore, Connor  
Jones, Brodhay  
Lilak, J.T.  
McCullough, Kenny  
Mercer, Kael  
Podrebarac, Jacob  
Podrebarac, Pierre  
Shaeffer, Christian

Stephens, Coleman  
Vaughan, Jack  
Winn, Trenton  
Yi, Tongtong

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### **AWAY MATCH LOCATIONS**

Shawnee Mission West  
8800 W. 85th St.  
Overland Park, KS

The tennis courts are located west of the high school. The entrance to the parking lot where the courts are located is off of 85th St.



### **Indian Creek Recreation Center**

103rd and Marty  
Overland Park, KS 66212

Parking is located off of 103rd St. The entrance to the parking lot is just west of the tennis courts.



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### **PREVIEW OF NEXT WEEK**

Monday, March 29

- V/JV Practice - Meet at Harmon Park - 3:15-5:00
- Blue/White - Match Day - 5:00-6:00

- 4 teams will be at Harmon
- 2 teams will be at SME Courts

#### Tuesday, March 30

- V/JV Practice - Meet at Harmon Park - 3:15-5:00
- Blue/White - Match Day - 5:00-6:00
  - 4 teams will be at Harmon
  - 2 teams will be at SME Courts

#### Wednesday, March 31

- Match v. KC East - Harmon Park - Be ready to start warm-up at 3:00
- V/JV Practice - 2 Groups @ SME Courts

#### Thursday, April 1

- V/JV Match v. SM North - Harmon Park - Be ready to start warm-up at 3:00
- V/JV Practice - SME Courts

#### Friday, April 2

- No School - Spring Break Starts
- We will not have required practice sessions and are not playing matches over Spring Break. We will put together a schedule of available times for optional practice sessions during Spring Break.