

Philadelphia Area USTA Jr. Team Tennis League Coaches Meeting

Recap
March 6th

- 1. General Information about USTA Jr. Team Tennis**
- 2. Start and End Dates**
 - a. March 23rd -April 20th - 18u Girls
 - b. April 20th -June 8th - 10u, 12u, 14u
 - c. May 4th -June 15th - 18u/High School
- 3. Divisions and Levels**
 - a. 10u- Orange Ball/60 foot courts
 - i. Will use orange balls and 60 foot courts.
 - ii. Players must have an orange ball play level or above in Net Gen Playtracker
 - iii. Must not turn 11 until after June 24h, 2024
 - iv. Open Level of Play
 - v. Players with Green Ball Level CAN play in this
 - b. 12u- Green Dot Ball
 - i. Will use green dot balls and full size courts.
 - ii. Must not turn 11 until after June 24th, 2024
 - iii. Players must have an green ball play level or above in Net Gen Playtracker
 - iv. Players must be at a WTN of 25 or above.
 - v. Players with orange ball level are ineligible until they level up to green or are leveled up by their coach.
 - c. 14u Intermediate
 - i. Will use yellow balls and full size courts.
 - ii. Must not turn 15 until after June 24th, 2024
 - iii. Players must have a yellow ball play level or above in Net Gen Playtracker
 - iv. Players must be at a WTN of 25 or above.
 - v. Players with orange ball or green ball level are ineligible until they level up to yellow or are leveled up by their coach.
 - d. 18u Intermediate
 - i. Will use yellow balls and full size courts.
 - ii. Must not turn 15 until after June 24th, 2024
 - iii. Players must be at a WTN of 22 or above.
 - iv. Players with orange ball or green ball level are ineligible until they level up to yellow or are leveled up by their coach.
 - e. 18u Girls League
 - i. Will use yellow balls and full size courts.
 - ii. Must not turn 15 until after June 24th, 2024
 - iii. Players must be at a WTN of 22 or above.
 - f. Levels of Play and WTN Ratings
 - i. All players that have played above 10u have a World Tennis Number. TennisLink takes the lower of the two numbers for singles and doubles.
- 4. Coordinators**
 - a. Justin DePietropaolo for 10u, 12u and 14u
 - b. Billy McElroy, perfotennis@aol.com for 18u
- 5. Days/Times of Play**
 - a. Saturdays for all matches
 - b. 1pm default time
 - c. Cannot start later than 3:30pm or earlier than 12pm.
 - d. Try to use the following Sunday as a raindate.
- 6. Costs**
 - a. USTA Membership Free for junior players
 - b. League Fees \$14 per player per team
- 7. Coaches Background Checks**
 - a. USTA Safe Play- All have to be safe play approved in order to login to TennisLink.
 - b. Pennsylvania Background Checks must be done in accordance with USTA Safeplay.

- i. PA USTA ones: <http://travel.phillyteamtennis.org/coach-resources/>

8. Formats of Play

- a. 18 and under/High School
 - i. 8-game pro set, no-ad, tiebreak at 7-7.
 - ii. They will play 1 set each of boys singles, girls singles, boys doubles, girls doubles and mixed doubles. Players can play twice per match.
- b. 10u, 12u, 14u
 - i. 8-game pro set, no-add, tiebreaker at 7-7
 - ii. They will play 3 singles and 2 doubles, REGARDLESS of gender.
 - iii. It is recommended a boy play 1st singles, a girl play 3rd singles, boys doubles play 1st doubles and girls doubles play 2nd doubles. However, this may change due to ability level.
 - iv. In order to advance, each team must have at least 3 boys and 3 girls play in at least 2 team matches each.
- c. 18 and under Girls
 - i. 8-game pro set, no-add, tiebreaker at 7-7
 - ii. They will play 3 singles and 2 doubles,

9. Courts

- a. Must have at least 2 courts available to play matches. 3 are preferred.
- b. If you do only have 2 courts for a match, try to stagger arrival times to limit waiting times for players.

10. Advancement

- a. District Championships are back for 14u and 1High School at the Upper Main Line YMCA on June 16th. Top teams in these divisions will advance.
- b. 12u winner will advance to Section Championships on June 8th

11. League Website

- a. Teams looking for players. If you are looking for players, let me know and I'll post your info.
- b. All pertinent Information including contacts and schedules are posted there.

12. League Rules and Regulations

- a. All on website- Please read over
 - i. Teams should use availability apps to track player availability.
- b. Parents
 - i. Make sure parents are not directly involved in a match
 - ii. It's recommended that you have a parent meeting
 - iii. The league will send a note out to parents.
- c. Coaching
 - i. Only 1 coach per team is allowed to coach. This can be a parent, but must be the designated parent.

13. Team Registration

- a. 18u Girls Registration Deadline- March 12th
- b. 10u, 12u, 14u Registration Deadline- April 9th
- c. 18u/High School Coed Registration Deadline- April 23rd
- d. Teams must also have at least 3 players registered as well by the deadline.

14. Player Registration

15. Questions