

PATTA Fall 2020 - Tennis League Safety Protocols

- Our leagues take place 1 day a week over the course of 7 weeks.
- During each week, we plan to group the same players, with the same instructor each day.
- Participants will be required to bring:
 1. A tennis racket.
If a student needs to borrow a racket they will be issued one for the week (participant will take home) and then it will be sanitized at the end of the week.
 2. A full water bottle to avoid touching a water fountain handle.
- We will try to limit players on court to no more than 6 per court to limit contact between players and instructors.
- When players get to the courts, we will assign players to their groups, making sure not to come in contact with players in other groups.
- Only tennis professionals/instructors should touch the tennis balls with their hands when not cleaning up balls. When cleaning up balls, we recommend that a player roll the balls to a spot, or use a ball tube or hopper if it is available. However, there may be instances when we need a player to pick up balls to speed things up. At which point, they will be asked to put them on their racquet and then put the balls in the hopper or bucket.
- We will be monitoring the health of the participants. Anyone who feels ill is asked to stay home and seek medical attention.

During Play:

- Try to stay at least six feet apart from other players. Do not make physical contact with them (such as shaking hands or a high five).
- Use your racquet/foot to pick up balls and hit them to your opponent. Avoid using your hands to pick up the balls.
- Remain apart from other players when taking a break.
- If a ball from another court comes to you, send it back with a kick or with your racquet.

After Play/Lesson:

- Participants will be instructed to leave the courts.
- Participants will use a hand sanitizer after coming off the court.
- Equipment Cleaning:
 1. Alcohol based disinfectant will be used to clean all equipment, including racquets, target cones, etc.
 2. Spraying tennis balls briefly with a disinfectant spray (e.g., Lysol or Clorox) at the conclusion of play.