May 20, 2019

Dear State Championship Tennis Coach:

Congratulations on assisting a member of your team to earn a participation privilege in the 100th Annual OHSAA Boys State Tennis Championships. The OHSAA would like the state championship experience to be a pleasant one for you, your student-athlete(s), and your fans. With that in mind, there are certain items that I have outlined below that should address concerns you may have.

PARKING
Parking for School vans and spectator parking is located directly across from the Ticket Office and entrance to Lindner Family Tennis Center, 5460 Courseview Drive, Mason, OH. 45040. Park on the grassy area as not to block other vehicles or block ingress and egress to the area.

Gates Open at 7:15 a.m. on both Friday, May 24 and Saturday, May 25

COACHES/PARTICIPANTS ENTRANCE:
Coaches and Participants are to enter the facility gates near where the Ticket Office is located, which is directly across from tournament parking. A map of the Lindner Family Tennis Center is available on the Boys Tennis State Tournament Page on the OHSAA website. Before entering the gates, the head coach must pick up a Coaches Packet from the ticket window which is indicated as Coach/Participant Check-in. The packet will include a wristband(s) which shall be used for complimentary admission. There will be a wristband in the packet for each board approved coach that is to receive complimentary admission. If you have an assistant coach that is also to receive complimentary admission and you wish to leave the wristband at the ticket window for the individual(s) to pick up after you have arrived, please bring an envelope with the individual’s name so that we know who will be checking in to receive the wristband. You will receive the same number of wristbands as the number of entries you have in the state tournament. The complimentary admission policy is included in this correspondence.

NOTE: No individual who has not been approved by your Board of Education, or similar governing body, and who is not properly credentialed by the Ohio Department of Education shall be permitted to coach or warm up a player during the OHSAA State Championships.

Participants are also to check-in at the appropriate ticket window to receive their participant credentials. Participants often arrive later than their head coach, thus all participants must secure their own credentials prior to entering the gates which lead to the courts.

COACHES MEETING
There will be a mandatory meeting for head coaches at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, May 24, 2019 at the lower level of the Flory Player Lounge located in the Lindner Family Tennis Center. This meeting is for head
coaches only, due to limited space. Be prompt! The lounge will not be open to state tournament participants and will not remain open after the coaches meeting. Please make sure you pick up your packet/credentials at the Ticket Office Window, prior to attempting to enter the facility to attend the meeting.

NOTE: Players of coaches who arrive late to the mandatory coaches meeting may be penalized up to three games!

ADMISSION/PASS LIST POLICY
The pass list policy has been established by the Board of Directors and is as follows:

For each separate school entry (one singles player, one singles entry and one doubles entry, two singles entries, etc.) a Board of Education (or similar governing body) approved coach is permitted complimentary admission. Please do not request complimentary admission for any coach who is not to receive complimentary admission per OHSAA Board of Director’s policy. You will have the appropriate number of wrist bands in your coach’s packet that will equal the number of coaches to receive complimentary admission. Please instruct board approved tennis coaches who will not receive complimentary admission, that they must pay to enter the facility and payment is cash only! You will be directed during the coach’s meeting as to how many coaches are permitted on the court during a match.

PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE:
Practice will be permitted at the Lindner Family Tennis Center on Thursday, May 23 from 12 noon-8 p.m.

Note: Only board approved coaches and/or team members will be permitted to engage in pre-tournament warmups on the day(s) of the state championships. No other individuals are authorized to warm up state tournament participants on May 24 and May 25, 2019.

UNIFORMS:
There is no variance in the uniform policy during the OHSAA state championships. The uniform Regulation is outlined in the 2019 Coaches Manual. Please make sure your students are properly attired. The uniform policy applies to undergarments as well as hats! Students not properly uniformed will not be permitted to participate.

INDOOR FACILITIES:
In the event of inclement weather, play will be moved indoors to South Regency Tennis and Fitness Center, 3020 W. Tech Rd., Miamisburg, OH. 45324 and/or Camargo Racquet Club, 8215 Camargo Rd., Cincinnati, OH. 45243. You will be informed as to which site, if it is necessary to move the tournament indoors.

AWARDS:
Awards will be provided for the top four finishers on Saturday, May 25, 2019. Awards will be presented at CENTER COURT as quickly as possible after the conclusion of each final match.

OHSAA PHOTOGRAPHY
Information is included in the souvenir program as to how photos from the tennis state championships can be ordered.