



## 2021 NMAA STATE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Presented by Corley's Albuquerque Lincoln

### TEAM FORMAT AND PROCEDURES FOR PLAY

- Other than the Quarterfinal round, USTA/NMAA officials will be at the State Tournament. All of these officials are under the direction of the NMAA.
- During the Quarterfinals, players will make their own calls on their side of the net, and coaches must stress to their players to exercise all proper sportsmanship behaviors (USTA Code of Conduct) and responsibilities in so doing. This includes calling the score before each serve and before the start of each game.
- The Full Team Rosters as submitted to the NMAA on May 17, 2021 will be utilized.
- In each round of team competition, a coach can select any line-up of singles players and doubles teams from their full roster, as long as they remain from strongest to weakest. **No Stacking!**
- Doubles Substitution. On the official match lineup form a coach may replace a member of a designated doubles team as follows: the replacement player must be on the full doubles team roster, as declared on May 17, 2021. Replacement of a player is restricted as follows: a player may move up one position only in the lineup. i.e. a member of the #1 doubles team may be replaced by a member of the team's #2 doubles team only. That #2 doubles team member must be replaced by a member of the #3 doubles team only. A member of the #3 doubles team may be replaced by any player from a lower-declared doubles team. Coaches also have the option of moving all declared teams forward in their lineup (team#2 becomes #1; #3 becomes #2 etc.).
- The line-up must be submitted to the site director at least **30 minutes** before the start of each round of team competition. A line-up sheet will be provided in the team packet.
- A team/match winner is determined by who wins the most singles/doubles matches against the opponent utilizing the 9-point format (6-singles and 3-doubles).
- All matches in all rounds will consist of the best two of three sets, with all games to be played under ad scoring and with a seven-point tie-breaker at 6-all in any set.
- All 9 matches will be played out in the Quarterfinals. In the Quarterfinals, once a team has reached 5 points, all subsequent matches will play a 10-point match tie-breaker in lieu of a third set. After the Quarterfinal round, play will conclude once a team has won the best 5 out of 9 single/double matches combined. This format will be in effect for the Semifinal and Final rounds. Coaches may substitute to their roster once a team has reached 5 points.
- Coaching during play is permitted. Coaches may communicate with players during change of sides or between sets through the fence only. An approved coach must have a NM coaching license, and be recognized by their school as a contracted coach.
- Rest period for a player between singles matches is as per USTA Rules (2-hours). The 2-hour rest period may be waived by the player, but in no case to less than 60 minutes. Rest period between doubles matches will be no less than 30 minutes. By rule the player and coach may choose to take less than the required USTA time.