

BIG RIVERS CONFERENCE TENNIS (GIRLS & BOYS) BYLAWS

Athletic Director in Charge: Eau Claire North

Annual Meeting Date: 2nd Wednesday of February

Game Times: Varsity: 4:00 PM
JV: 4:00 pm. At the opposite location as the varsity game
August matches prior to the start of school may be adjusted at Coaches/Athletic Directors discretion

Warm Up Times: Maximum of fifteen minutes warm-up prior to match

Equipment: Any of the following tennis balls are acceptable for conference use and must be pressurized and optic yellow in color: Penn, Wilson, Dunlop. WIAA rules will govern uniforms

Referees and Scorers: The home coach shall send in scores to the conference statistician and media at the latest, the morning following the match. Home coach will fax or email individual results to all other coaches.

Conference Dual Meets: The following will be guidelines for dual meets

- * USTA and WIAA rules shall govern at all times. Dual matches shall consist of a 4-3 format with no crossovers (4 singles and 3 doubles).
- * Visitor team arrival will be approximately 15 minutes prior to the match (unless no loss of school time). In case of a being late for a match, not more than 30 minutes delay will be allowed. In an emergency, the home team must be notified prior to match time.
- * All varsity players must be present at the start of a match. Coaches shall exchange written line-ups prior to the start of the match.
- * Coaches must play players in their properly ranked position.
- * No direct substitutes are allowed.
- * All varsity matches shall be best two out of three sets, with regular scoring (add/deuce) unless time is a factor or mutual agreement. If set ties 6-6, 12-point tie breaker to be played. Matches stopped because of weather or darkness stop exactly as they stand with notation of game score, side of court, etc.
- * Cancelled matches will be completed before the conference tournament if at all possible. Any conference meets that still need to be played must be rescheduled – even if after conference tournament.
- * The team winning the greater number of matches will win the dual match. Each match, whether singles or doubles, scores one point.
- * A team receives two (2) points for a conference dual match win towards the conference championship.
- * A JV schedule similar to the Varsity's will be used following the same 4-3 format. Coaches will exchange written line-ups prior to the start of the match. Schedules will not be rotated.

Conference Tournament: The Big Rivers Conference tournament matches shall be conducted as a one-day meet. The conference tournament shall be held the Tuesday before sub-sectionals with a rain date of that Wednesday

- * The conference tournament decides individual singles and doubles champions in each flight as well as accumulates points toward a conference team championship. The school with the highest point total combined dual and tournament points will be the conference champion. In the event of a tie, co champions will be declared.

- * Each team shall consist of a maximum of ten (10) members.
- * Each school shall enter four singles players and three doubles teams in the conference tournament as a maximum. A player in the conference tournament may not play both singles and doubles.
- * Players will be seeded according to their conference dual meet record with the provision that record cannot be brought up from the lower flights.
- * Records from outside the conference shall be considered when seeding decisions cannot otherwise be made. The conference tournament shall be made up of one bracket at each flight. The number one seed shall be placed on the first blank starting at the top of the bracket, the second seed will be placed on the eighth blank of the bracket, the third seed on the fifth blank and the fourth seed, if one is determined, on the fourth blank. Coaches may seed the entire flight or the remaining entries will be placed by the random draw.
- * The meet director will inform all members of the conference ten days before the tournament as to location and information about the tournament. All matches shall be the best of three sets using regular scoring. If a set is tied at 6-6, a 12-point tiebreaker will be played. Consolation matches shall be two out of three sets regular scoring. Every attempt will be made to play on Saturday. The rain date will become Monday.

Tournament Scoring:	<u>Team</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>
	Champion	14 Points	12 Points
	Second	12 Points	10 Points
	Third	10 Points	8 Points
	Fourth	8 Points	6 Points
	Fifth	6 Points	4 Points
	Sixth	4 Points	2 Points
	Seventh	2 Points	1 Point
	Eighth	1 Point	*****

Conference Championship: Will be decided by combination of dual and tournament play.

All- Conference Selection: Individual First Team All Conference medals shall be awarded to:

- * First Place Winners at Conference meet in:

#1 Singles	#2 Singles	#3 Singles
#1 Doubles	#2 Doubles	

- * Second Place Winners at Conference meet in:

#1 Singles	#1 Doubles
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Individual Second Team All Conference certificates shall be awarded to:

- * First Place Winners at Conference meet in:

#4 Singles	#3 Doubles
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- * Second Place Winners at Conference meet in:

#2 Singles	#3 Singles	#2 Doubles
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- * Third Place Winners at Conference meet in:

#1 Singles	#1 Doubles
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In addition the coaches will select a player of the year and doubles team of the year following the conference meet. An all conference team picture will be submitted to all local papers.

Other Pertinent Information: If a player cannot play at the conference tournament, that team may use a direct substitute as per the WIAA State Tournament rule, or forfeit at the player's position.

Approved: 8/10/2022