

HMS TENNIS PROGRAM 2010-11



COME JOIN THE FUN!

GENERAL INFORMATION

The HMS Tennis Program, a parent volunteer run program, gives students the opportunity to improve their tennis skills through match play or instruction. It runs from September to early December, Mon. - Fri. with an end-of-season party. The students meet **once a week** after school, between **3:00 - 6:00 p.m.** at the HMS tennis courts, and for the "A Team", twice a week & off-campus too. The overall mission is to provide a FUN and somewhat competitive social tennis play each week, allowing the students to meet others with whom they can play tennis throughout the year, and encourage a long life passion for tennis. **Ladder and Challenge matches are an integral part of the program, played among players within their own respective A & B Ladder Teams.** Good sportsmanship and proper tennis etiquette are emphasized for all.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Thur., Aug. 26, 3:00 p.m. Submit Registration Form directly to the school office's Tennis Mailbox.

TRYOUTS ARE SCHEDULED FOR ONE DAY ONLY, TUES., AUG. 31, 3:00 - 5:30 p.m. -- BRING YOUR OWN RACQUET!

ALL interested students **must try out** at the HMS courts for initial team and ladder placement. (**EXCEPTION: Returning "A" Team players who have confirmed return by Aug. 26.**) **Scheduled Tryout slots will be e-mailed on Sunday, Aug. 29,** and posted at the office on Mon., Aug. 30. Allow one hour for wait and tryouts. Must bring own racquet and wear shorts and tennis shoes.

- Depending on the number of students trying out, not all kids may be accommodated on either the "A", "B" or "C" Teams. All beginners may have to be placed in the C Team-Winter Sessions, Mondays, January - March, 2011.
- **Tryout Results** will be posted at the school office on Friday afternoon, September 3.
- The Tennis Ladders are run entirely by school parent volunteers. Parents of student players will be asked to volunteer by taking turns monitoring court play. In the case of the "A Team" only, parents will also be asked to help drive the players to off-campus matches. (No tennis experience required.)

BASIC TEAM INFO AND EXPECTATION FROM PLAYERS AND PARENTS

"C" Team: Advanced Beginner / Intermediate Level – This is an instructional based team with a terrific tennis pro.

- Students must have taken lessons and played tennis before, but do not have lots of match experience. All participants will be active throughout the group instruction on Monday afternoons and divided according to level, Fall and Winter Sessions.
- Depending on turnout, beginners may have to be accommodated only in the Winter Session(s), Jan - Mar, 2011.
- There is an additional \$85 instructional fee for this level. Min. 12 & 18 max, students, waiting list available.
- Parents will be required to assist one day with snack retrieval and distribution.

"B" Team: Intermediate / Advanced Intermediate Level – This year there will be **two** social Ladders with weekly singles.

- Students must be available to play on either Tuesday or Friday. Once ladders are evenly assigned based on the try-out results, players will then only play on the set day of the week of their designated ladder.
- Students must be able to play singles matches and keep score.
- Parents or designated responsible adult will be required to monitor court play at least one time during the season. (NO tennis experience required.)

"A" Team: Advanced Intermediate / Advance Level – This is a social Ladder with weekly singles matches, instruction, as well as inter-school matches for the Travel Teams.

- Students must be able to competitively play singles matches every Thursday afternoon and participate in the team instruction led by a tennis pro. An additional \$30 instructional fee will apply.
- Parents will be required to spend about 1-2 Thursday afternoons monitoring court ladder play during the season. All ladder matches this year will be played at the HMS courts only. (NO tennis experience required.)
- Students must also be available to play Inter-school matches against 7-8 private schools in the area on Wednesday afternoons. These matches are singles and doubles played by the Traveling Team, comprising of the top 14 players and begin in early/mid October. Parents/Drivers of the Traveling Team will also be required to drive/monitor one extra day for inter-school matches held on Wednesdays at off campus courts, or a Friday if there is a Wed. rain out.
 - Traveling Team "A Squad" is comprised of the top 7 players available to play: 1 singles, 3 doubles.
 - Traveling Team "B Squad" is comprised of the next 7 players available to play: 1 singles, 3 doubles.
- Uniform for the traveling teams is required: Tennis Team T-Shirt, tennis shoes, and tennis racquet in addition to
BOYS: Navy Blue tennis shorts & GIRLS: Red or Navy Blue tennis skirt or tennis shorts
- All parents/drivers must be at least 21 years old, and submit to the HMS Office: 1) Driver's Liability Form, 2) Driver's Authorization Form, and 3) Proof of Insurance that shows liability coverage amounts of \$100,000/\$300,000 by **Thursday, Sep. 11.**

For more detailed info, go to <http://www.san-marino.k12.ca.us/~heh>: "2010 HMS Tennis Program Handbook" and other tennis forms. **Any questions? Contact Julie Wong Tam, HMS Tennis Program Chairman, at wongtam@sbcglobal.net.**