



2026 KINGCO 4A Girls Tennis Championships Syllabus

5/4,5/5, at Skyline HS/Eastlake HS: 5/8,5/9 @ Edgebrook
Tournament Director: Sara Goldie KINGCO 4A Tennis Commissioner, (206-295-3067)

KINGCO/WIAA/NFHS Tennis Regulations

All rules in place during the regular season are in place for the KINGCO tournament unless specified otherwise. USTA rules will be used for all rules not defined by the KINGCO or WIAA handbook.

Tournament Entries- based on league finish

1st-3rd place finishers

- gets 3 entries (doubles & singles)

4th-9 place finishers

- gets 2 entries (doubles & singles)

10-12th place finishers

- gets 1 entry (doubles & singles)

Tournament Schedule:

- **Round 1 & 2 & 3:** Monday, May 4th, Tuesday, May 5th, (may need May 6th/7th) @Skyline HS and Eastlake (we will consolidate to skyline only once we get past day1). *Individual match times cannot be published once play begins*
 - **Monday, May 4th: PLAY TO START AT 2:30 pm**
 - 2:00 pm: Check-in and court announcement
 - 2:20 pm: Warm-up begins
 - 2:30 pm: PLAY BEGINS: First-round singles, followed by first-round doubles
 - **Tuesday, May 5th: PLAY TO START AT 2:30 pm**
 - 2:00 pm: Check-in and court announcement
 - 2:20 pm: Warm-up begins
 - 2:30 pm: Play begins: Second-round singles and doubles
 - **Wednesday, May 6th if needed: PLAY TO START AT 2:30 pm**
 - 2:00 pm: Check-in and court announcement
 - 2:20 pm: Warm-up begins
 - 2:30 pm: Play begins: Third-round singles and doubles

- **Semi-Finals:** Friday, May 8th @ Edgebrook: 8:00 AM-Edgebrook Tennis Club 13454 SE Newport Way, Bellevue, WA 98006
 - **Order of Placement:**
 - **4A singles Semi-Finals (9)** check in @ 7:30 am Play to begin at 8am
 - **4A doubles Semi-Finals (9)** check in @ 7:30 am play to begin at 8am
 - 3A singles Semi-Finals check in @ 12:30 pm. Play to begin at 1 pm (est)
 - 3A doubles Semi-Finals check in @ 12:30 pm. Play to begin at 1 pm (est)

**Please note these times are APPROXIMATE and based on good weather/ability to use indoor and outdoor courts (4 indoor, 4 outdoor).*

**CHECK-IN TIMES:* Athlete check-in times may or may not be right before the scheduled match.

- **Finals:** Saturday, May 9th @ Edgebrook Tennis Club 13454 SE Newport Way, Bellevue, WA 98006
 - 3A Singles and Doubles Finals and Consolation-check in @ 8:30 am. Play to begin at 9 am
 - **4A Single and Doubles Finals and Consolation-** check in @ 10:00am. Play to begin at 10:30am.
 - **Alternate seeding 5/6:** G23, G24, G27 played at mutually agreed upon site. No points assessed for alternate play.
- **Pig-Tail with Lincoln** Monday May 11th-13th @ MERCER ISLAND CC- time TBD (Issaquah back up site)
 - **Kingo first alternate (4th place)** for both boys and girls will play **Lincoln #1**, both Singles and Doubles. If Lincoln wins, then they will play **Kingco #3** for a birth to state. If Lincoln loses, no further matches are necessary.
 - All KingCo tournament rules will apply from this syllabus for the Pig-tail game
 - Any questions should be directed to Sara Goldie sgoldie@lwsd.org or Jesse Snyder jesse.snyder@rentonschools.us
- **WIAA State Tournament:** May 22nd – May 23rd, Kennewick WA
 - Top 3 singles/doubles entries qualify, 2 alternates

Entry into a post-season contest

Please reference the text of WIAA rule 25.2.25 below. Any athlete that does not intend to advance to the State Championship or could potentially have a conflict that would prevent them from entering in that tournament should declare their intent to their coaches prior to the tournament, who will notify the tournament director. This is necessary because of the unique nature of playing an alternate season where the state tournament is held 8 months from the conclusion of our qualifying tournament.

While WIAA rules allow for an entry to withdraw from an event prior to entering in a District qualifier (our equivalent is the Sea-King play-in round with Lincoln), it places our qualifiers and alternates in a very difficult situation and competitive disadvantage to find this out late in the spring. Coaches are asked to review this rule with their team and

disclose any entries that may not advance to the state tournament if they qualify before the tournament begins.

WIAA Rule 25.2.25

By entering participants in postseason competition, each Member School certifies that, barring injury, illness, religious observance or unforeseen events, the team or individuals representing the school will participate in every level of competition through the completion of the State Championship event.

NOTE: An unforeseen event can include, but not be limited to, an individual that qualifies for two spring State Championship events. In order to meet this rule, the athletic director for that individual's school must contact the WIAA Staff who oversees at least one of the affected sports to withdraw the individual from one of the State Championships by midnight on the Saturday prior to the beginning of the spring State Championships.

25.2.6 Any withdrawal or intentional forfeiture for a reason other than those listed in Rule 25.2.5 shall be considered a violation of WIAA Rules and Regulations, and shall be subject to penalties as determined by the WIAA Executive Board.

Tournament Play

-All matches will use the 2/3 set scoring

-All tournament matches will use AD scoring and play a complete 3rd set unless weather rules impact the tournament. Weather rules scoring will be determined by the tournament manager in the syllabus

-Format is single elimination up to the semifinals

-A 30-minute rest time is guaranteed between matches. Players may mutually agree to a shorter time

Check-In/Ready to Play

Check-in times will be provided to athletes in the tournament syllabus with the understanding that the actual match time is variable. Tournament players that do not report to their check-in time can be disqualified. If a player is not present or unable to play, they will be disqualified. Players will only be placed in a match after their check-in time.

Uniforms

Players must wear their school-approved tennis uniform/t-shirt, and all uniforms must comply with WIAA regulations. Players will be asked to change clothes if they fail to comply.

Weather Policies

Four outdoor courts are available at Edgebrook on Friday and Saturday. If weather permits, matches will be placed on those courts based solely on the order of matches being placed.

Outdoor matches suspended due to weather will resume at the point the match was suspended. A 10-minute warm-up period is permitted for a match that is re-started after suspension.

Warm Up.

All players are guaranteed a maximum 10-minute warm-up time before the start of a match as defined by USTA rules of warm-up time. Players may **mutually** agree to waive the warmup period.

Substitutions

Before the start of play, an unseeded entry may be replaced with an entry from the same school. Likewise, a seeded entry may be replaced, but a coaches' vote would be required to adjust seeding. Once play begins, there is no substitution, only default.

Default

If a player does not show up for a scheduled match for any reason, they will forfeit the match and not be allowed to continue in the tournament. However, if a player is forced to retire from a match due to injury or illness, they can continue if a consolation round is available in the tournament. In both situations, the opposing player will be given a walkover.

Injury

One injury time-out is permitted per injury per match for a maximum of three (3) minutes each once the trainer or coach begins treating the player. A player may suffer more than one injury per match and have a stoppage for each injury. Each injury may be further treated during a changeover to stay within the regular 90-second changeover interval.

When a 3-minute injury time-out has elapsed and a player cannot resume play, the player will be retired from the match.

Appeals and Games Committee

Sara Goldie, Jesse Snyder, Gary Mogg, Brent Brakke will constitute the games committee and rule on any appeals. As tournament director, Sara Goldie (4A) will assemble the committee as needed.

Scoring – 4A

Team points will be earned as follows in each event, non-placing entries will earn 2 points per win (note- no scoring for alternate play (G26,27,28))

1st place	11 points
2nd place	10 points
3rd place	9 points
4th place	8 points

Coaching

While players are on the court, no coaching is permissible by coaches, other adults, or other players; only the recognized school coach (one person only) can coach players on the court. Coaching is permissible during the break between the 1st and 2nd sets (two minutes maximum) and the 2nd and 3rd sets (10 minutes max) and any official suspension of play.

Sportsmanship

The penalty point system will be in effect. 1st violation is a loss of 1 point, 2nd violation is a loss of 1 game, 3rd violation is a match forfeit and disqualification. The only warning for all athletes will be issued at the beginning of play.

Per changes in our handbook this year (Rule 2C), all coaches are empowered to enforce a penalty point on any player deemed necessary. In tournament play, a coach may assign a penalty point to their athlete anytime. If a coach thinks that an opposing player should be assessed a penalty point, they should immediately request that play be stopped and confer with that player's coach to reach a consensus. If coaches disagree that a point should be assessed, they will report the concern to the tournament director, who will decide. The tournament director's decision is appealable to a games committee.

Fans and Spectators

Fans and spectators will always be expected to demonstrate sportsmanship. The tournament manager and coaches will be responsible for enforcing these expectations. Therefore, fans must always remain in spectator-designated areas and will not be allowed on the floor of the indoor courts and inside the fence of the outdoor courts.

Fans and spectators are not permitted at the tournament manager's table/tent. Coaches will be the liaison between fans/parents and the tournament manager, and all questions should go through coaches first.

School Responsibilities

Each school is responsible for providing 8 unopened cans of match balls

Coaches are expected to have players ready to play when their assigned match and court are available

Coaches will need to assist with spectator supervision as needed

Neutral coaches may be called upon to line judge. If a school requests a line judge, their coach will be next called to serve