THE 51ST ANNUAL
IHSAA BOYS TENNIS TEAM STATE FINALS
Oct. 13-14, 2017

[ Quarterfinals, Friday, 3 pm ET at Carmel HS, Carmel, Ind. ]
3Park Tudor (15-5) vs. 4Homestead (20-1)
1Carmel (19-0) vs. 2North Central (Indianapolis) (19-1)

[ Quarterfinals, Friday, 4:30 pm ET at Center Grove HS, Greenwood, Ind. ]
Terre Haute North Vigo (22-3) vs. 22Culver Academies (20-2)
12Jeffersonville (13-2) vs. 16Jasper (18-3)

[ Semifinals, Saturday, 10 am ET at North Central HS, Indianapolis, Ind. ]

Meet the Teams | State Championship Records Book

Three of the eight state finalist teams have returned from a year ago including defending state champion Carmel and North Central (Indianapolis), the combined winners of the last seven titles, meeting in Friday’s quarterfinal round.

Two quarterfinal matches will be played Friday at 3 pm ET at Carmel High School and two more at 4:30 pm ET at Center Grove High School with the winning teams advancing to the semifinal matches on Saturday at 10 am ET at North Central High School followed by the state championship match at 2 pm ET.

- Top-ranked and unbeaten Carmel (19-0) will make a record-setting eighth consecutive state finals appearance. The defending state champion Greyhounds have made it to the state championship match five of the last seven seasons winning it four times. All three singles players and their No. 1 doubles team are unbeaten so far this season including defending singles state champion Patrick Fletchall (20-0 overall) at No. 1 singles.

- Second-ranked North Central of Indianapolis (19-1) returns for the seventh straight year and will look to turn the tables in the quarterfinal match on Carmel which is responsible for the Panthers only loss this season - a 4-1 setback on August 31. The Panthers’ No. 1 doubles pair of Brian McAuley and Edward Prein is 24-1 this season.

- Fifth-ranked Park Tudor (15-5) also returns to the state finals for the seventh straight year. The Panthers reached the title match in two of the last four seasons but settled for the runner-up spot to neighborhood rival North Central in 2013 and 2015.

- Fourth-ranked Homestead (20-1) ended a drought last Saturday in winning the semi-state and advancing back to the state finals for the first time since 2009. The Spartans were a near-regular participant for many years as their 19 state finals appearances attests. No. 1 singles player David Heiney is 25-2 on the year.

- Unranked Terre Haute North (22-3) ended the longest drought of the eight advancing teams and will make its third appearance at state and first since 2004. The Patriots

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2017-18 IHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

FALL SPORTS
Sept. 29-30  GIRLS GOLF
Prairie View Golf Club, Carmel
Team: Zionsville
Individual: Kayla Benge, Plainfield

Oct. 13-14  BOYS TEAM TENNIS
North Central HS, Indianapolis

Oct. 20-21  BOYS SINGLES & DOUBLES
Park Tudor HS, Indianapolis

Oct. 27-28  BOYS & GIRLS SOCCER
Sellick Bowl, Butler University, Indianapolis
Carroll Stadium, IUPUI, Indianapolis

Oct. 28  BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
LaVern Gibson Course, Terre Haute

Nov. 4  VOLLEYBALL
Worthern Arena, Ball State University, Muncie

Nov. 24-25  FOOTBALL
Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis

WINTER SPORTS
Feb. 9-10  GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING
IU Natatorium, IUPUI, Indianapolis

Feb. 16-17  WRESTLING
Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

Feb. 23-24  BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING
IU Natatorium, IUPUI, Indianapolis

Feb. 24  GIRLS BASKETBALL
Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

March 10  GYMNASTICS
Worthern Arena, Ball State University, Muncie

March 24  BOYS BASKETBALL
Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

SPRING SPORTS
June 1  GIRLS TRACK & FIELD
Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington

June 2  UNIFIED TRACK & FIELD
Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington

June 2  BOYS TRACK & FIELD
Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington

June 1-2  GIRLS TEAM TENNIS
North Central HS, Indianapolis

June 8-9  GIRLS SINGLES & DOUBLES
Park Tudor HS, Indianapolis

June 9  SOFTBALL
Bittinger Stadium, Purdue University, West Lafayette

June 12-13  BOYS GOLF
Prairie View Golf Club, Carmel

June 15-16  BASEBALL
Victory Field, Indianapolis

have won 14 straight dual matches and boast a pair of strong doubles teams in Jason Mundell and Matt Wilson (22-2) at No. 1 and Drew Bishop and Alex Sacopolus (19-2) at No. 2.

■ Culver Academies (20-2), ranked 22nd in the final coaches poll of the season, has reached the state finals for the eighth time in school history and the third time in four years. Henry Bilicic and Jose Santiago Peraza form the 13-1 No. 1 Eagles doubles team while Peter Gallagher and Vincent Huang are 11-1 at No. 2 doubles.

■ Jeffersonville (13-2) has ousted three ranked opponents so far this tournament resulting in the Red Devils’ fifth state finals appearance and third in the last four years. The 12th ranked Red Devils avenged a 3-2 loss to Floyd Central in their regular season finale with a 4-1 win for the regional title and then bested Bloomington North 3-2 in the semi-state. The Red Devils advanced to the state semi-finals two years ago but will be looking to advance to their first state championship match.

■ Jasper (18-3) returns to the state finals festivities for the sixth time in seven years as 12th year overall. The 16th-ranked Wildcats faced fellow state finalists Homestead and Carmel in back-to-back matches on Sept. 23 falling 4-1 in both matchups. No. 2 singles player Eli Franks and the No. 1 doubles team of Noah Mendel and Noah Luebbehuesen are both 17-3 this season.

Teams Returning from 2016 State Finals (3)
Carmel, North Central (Indianapolis), Park Tudor.

Most Consecutive State Finals Appearances
8: Carmel (2010-17).

Active Streaks of Consecutive State Finals Team Appearances (3 or more years)
8: Carmel.
7: North Central (Indianapolis), Park Tudor.

State Finals Droughts Ended (5 or more years)
8 years: Homestead (2009).

First Time Participants in the Field
None.


Regional Champions (16): Carmel, Culver Academies, Homestead, Jasper, Jeffersonville, North Central (Indianapolis), Park Tudor, Terre Haute North Vigo.


MEDIA INFORMATION

Tournament Administrator: Assistant Commissioner Chris Kaufman.

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Programs and Results: Media in attendance should see a tournament administrator at Friday’s venues for a complimentary copy of the state finals program which includes information on each team, probable lineups and tournament history. Official results for both team and individual tournaments will be available in the tennis clubhouse following each session and also be posted to the IHSAA website.

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