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51st ANNUAL PIAA GIRLS' TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

MECHANICSBURG - The 2024 PIAA Girls' Tennis Championships will take place at the Hershey Racquet Club in Hershey, Pa. The Championships are scheduled to be contested Friday, October 25th and 26th 2024. The Girls' Individual Tennis will be held the week after, Friday, November 1st and 2nd, 2024. This is the 51st Annual PIAA Girls' Individual Tennis Championship and the 24th Annual PIAA Girls' Team Championships.

The inaugural Girls' Tennis Championship was in 1973. It was the first of four girls' sports approved by the PIAA Board of Directors, at the same time. Since the sports' inception, a girls' singles and a doubles champion has always been crowned. The sport was first played in the spring until the Board approved to move it to the fall for the 1977-78 school year. In 1998, instead of just 3A, Girls' Tennis was divided into two classifications to include both 2A and 3A. The championships haven't always been played in a closed environment facility. For years, the championships were played outdoors. The first championship contested indoors was in 1992, and ever since, have been played inside.

In the history of the event, the Individual Championships have been contested at three sites:

- Hershey Racquet Club (32)
- Harrisburg Area Community College (13)
- Shippensburg University (4)

In 2000, was the addition of the Girls' Team Tennis Championships. In the first 23 years, there been 19 different teams that have won titles in 3A and 2A, respectively. Harriton HS has made the most appearances with 11 finals' appearances and winning nine titles.

The Team Championships have been contested at two sites:

- Hershey Racquet Club (19)
- Blair Racquet Club, Altoona (5)

3A Team Champions: *Eleven different teams have won 3A girls' titles. North Allegheny HS has won the most with five-team titles. They also have the most consecutive titles in this classification with three.*

- 5: North Allegheny (2008, 2013-15, 2017)
- 4: Peters Township (2006, 2009, 2011-12)
- 3: Upper St. Clair (2000-01, 2003)

- 2: Fox Chapel (2004, 2019), Shady Side Academy (2007, 2010), Harriton (2016, 2018), Conestoga (2021-22)
- 1: Freedom (2002), Lower Merion (2005), Spring Ford (2020), Council Rock South (2023)

2A Team Champions: *Eight different teams have won 2A girls' titles. Harriton HS had an impressive stretch from 2004 to 2010, winning seven consecutive championships.*

- 7: Harriton (2004-10)
- 5: Wyomissing (2000-03, 2016)
- 4: Mercyhurst Prep (2012-15)
- 3: Sewickley Academy (2011, 2018-19)
- 2: Knoch (2020, 2022)
- 1: Villa Maria (2017), Wyoming Seminary (2021), Scranton Prep (2023)

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Here's a link to the schedule and brackets:

Team: <https://tinyurl.com/dxywikyt>

Individual: <https://tinyurl.com/mwea3pyh>

For a full list of any previous championship results, follow this link: <https://tinyurl.com/yckfvjx3>

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