



# AICES Open Tennis 2024

<b>Date</b>	Nominations: 8th Feb 2024 Girls – 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 Boys – 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 <b>(NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)</b>
<b>Venues</b>	Blacktown Tennis Centre Sentry Drive, Stanhope Gardens NSW 2768
<b>Time</b>	Girls - 9.30am registration Boys – 8.30am registration All players must arrive at least 30mins before start as pools may change. All players must sign in on arrival. Please phone if you are running late – <b>0437 406739</b>
<b>Acceptances</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A maximum of 40 players will be admitted to each draw</li> <li>• Players with a UTR of 7 or over will be admitted first with a maximum of six players from any one school.</li> <li>• This is followed by one player from each school with a UTR of 6 or over. This process continues lowering the UTR by one point until each school is exhausted of players or all places are full. If a school has more than one nomination without a ranking they must list the rank order of those players to ensure the strongest are admitted to the draw first. A separate email must accompany the online selections to establish this rank order.</li> </ul> <p><b>To ensure the strongest players are accepted into the draw, schools have the right to apply to swap players from their school who do not have an UTR and have been included in the draw with those from their school on the reserves list.</b></p>
<b>Pool Games</b>	Players will be placed into pools with each player playing all other players in their pool. Each pool will consist of 4 or 5 players. At the conclusion of the round robin, players will be seeded into either the Championship Knockout or the Repechage Knockout. All players will play at least one game following the round robin games. The Knockout Rounds will continue to find a winner and a runner-up for each. Medallions will be awarded for both the Championship and Repechage Knockouts.

**Wet Weather** – if there is a chance of rain a decision will be made at 3.00pm on the day before and posted on the website. The decision must be made this early to allow students from country schools to cancel accommodation and travel arrangements. Please note that as CIS Nominations close on 20/2/24 we will not have time to reschedule should it rain. In that case current UTR will be used to select the AICES Team for CIS. In saying this all efforts will be made to reschedule.

## Rules

- Pools may be adjusted on the day
- Players must commence games immediately after taking the court
- All pools will be FAST 4 or FAST 5 (best of 7 or 9 games). In games traditional scoring 15, 30, 40 is not used. One point is given for each point won.
- All matches will be played using no-advantage scoring, with the receiver choosing the service side when the game reaches deuce (3-3).
- No service lets will be played, meaning if the ball hits the net cord on a serve and lands (bounces) within the correct service box, play will continue.
- Tiebreak - a short tiebreak (first to five points, sudden death at four points all). Receiver chooses side.
- No Advantage - At Deuce next point wins with receiver choosing which side to receive from.
- If players are equal at the end of the pool games the head to head result will be used. If still equal games for/against will be used.