

Captains Expectations and Information – 2018

This year we are experimenting with a new structure for captaincy. We will have six captains who will rotate duties and responsibilities. Grant Anderson is returning as a captain from last year, and as such and as our number 1 player, he has ultimate seniority. Seniors Nate Sommers, Sam Reichelt, and Tommy Dowd have all demonstrated leadership potential over the last two years. Juniors Liam Harrington and Mike Manousos, as half of our singles lineup, have also demonstrated potential and will provide continuity for next year.

Duties and responsibilities:

At all times for practice and matches, captains are expected to represent the team and the school with respect and appropriate behavior as prescribed by both the WHS athletic handbook and the boys' tennis team document "Rules and Regs." If at any time the coaches perceive that this is not the case, then the individual in question may have their captaincy removed.

At practice:

- All captains present are expected to be leaders by example in energy and focus.
- Captains can rotate duties of getting practice started by getting balls out, water and ice out, and starting the stretching. (ball cart and med kit will be easier once the door is on the shed – but someone will need to make sure water and ice are out at each practice).
- All captains present may be called on to supervise drills on their court.
- All captains present are responsible for supporting and fostering team spirit.

Monthly calendars on the website have captains of the day assigned to matches. A list appears at the end of this document as well. Grant Anderson, as our Senior Captain, is expected to greet ALL teams and coaches at ALL matches.

At home matches:

- Captains of the day are responsible for making sure practice balls, match balls, water, ice, med kit, and score cards are ready before 2:45 pm.
- Captains of the day are responsible for greeting opposing coaches and teams, explaining the bathroom situation, and reading out the roster for the day (provided by coaches).
- Captains of the day are responsible at the end of the match for thanking the opposing team and coach, and wishing them luck for the rest of the season.
- Captains of the day are responsible at the end of the match for emailing scores to localsports@courant.com.
- Captains of the day are responsible for final clean up after the match is over – all balls picked up, courts cleaned up of any debris, cart put away, score cards put away, and water/ice returned.
- All captains present are responsible for supporting and fostering team spirit (when your own match is done, you are expected to go watch and cheer for teammates, for example)
- All captains present are expected to be leaders by example in energy and focus.

At away matches:

- Captains of the day are responsible for making sure water, ice and med kit are on the bus before departure.
- Captains of the day are responsible for greeting opposing coaches and teams, and reading out the roster for the day (provided by coaches).
- Captains of the day are responsible at the end of the match for thanking the opposing team and coach, and wishing them luck for the rest of the season.
- Captains of the day are responsible for making sure that our water, ice and med kit are on the bus before we leave, and that all debris from our team is picked up and disposed of. Double check to be sure we leave nothing behind that belongs to us. Water, ice and med kit must also be put away when the bus returns to WHS.
- Captains of the day are responsible for a final bus check – making sure there is nothing left on the bus and that it is clean.
- All captains present are responsible for supporting and fostering team spirit (when your own match is done, you are expected to go watch and cheer for teammates, for example)
- All captains present are expected to be leaders by example in energy and focus.

Then schedule below is of course subject to weather changes. Assume that you are assigned to the match more than the date; if you are not able to attend a match, for whatever reason, then you are responsible for getting a sub.

Thursday 4/5 – RHAM at home - Grant and Liam

Monday 4/16 – Middletown away -Sam and Mike

Wednesday 4/18 – Bristol Central away – Tommy and Nate

Friday 4/20 – Windsor at home – Grant and Liam

Monday 4/23 – Glastonbury at home – Sam and Mike

Wednesday 4/25 – Bulkely away – Tommy and Nate

Friday 4/27 – Plainville at home – Grant and Liam

Monday 4/30 – South Windsor away – Sam and Mike

Wednesday 5/2 – Conard at home – Tommy and Nate

Friday 5/4 – Berlin at home – Grant and Liam

Friday 5/11 – Avon away – Tommy and Nate

Monday 5/14 – Rocky Hill at home – Sam and Mike

Wednesday 5/16 – New Britain away – Tommy and Nate

Friday 5/18 – Newington away – Grant and Liam

Monday 5/21 – Hall away – Sam and Mike

Wednesday 5/23 – East Catholic at home – all seniors for senior day