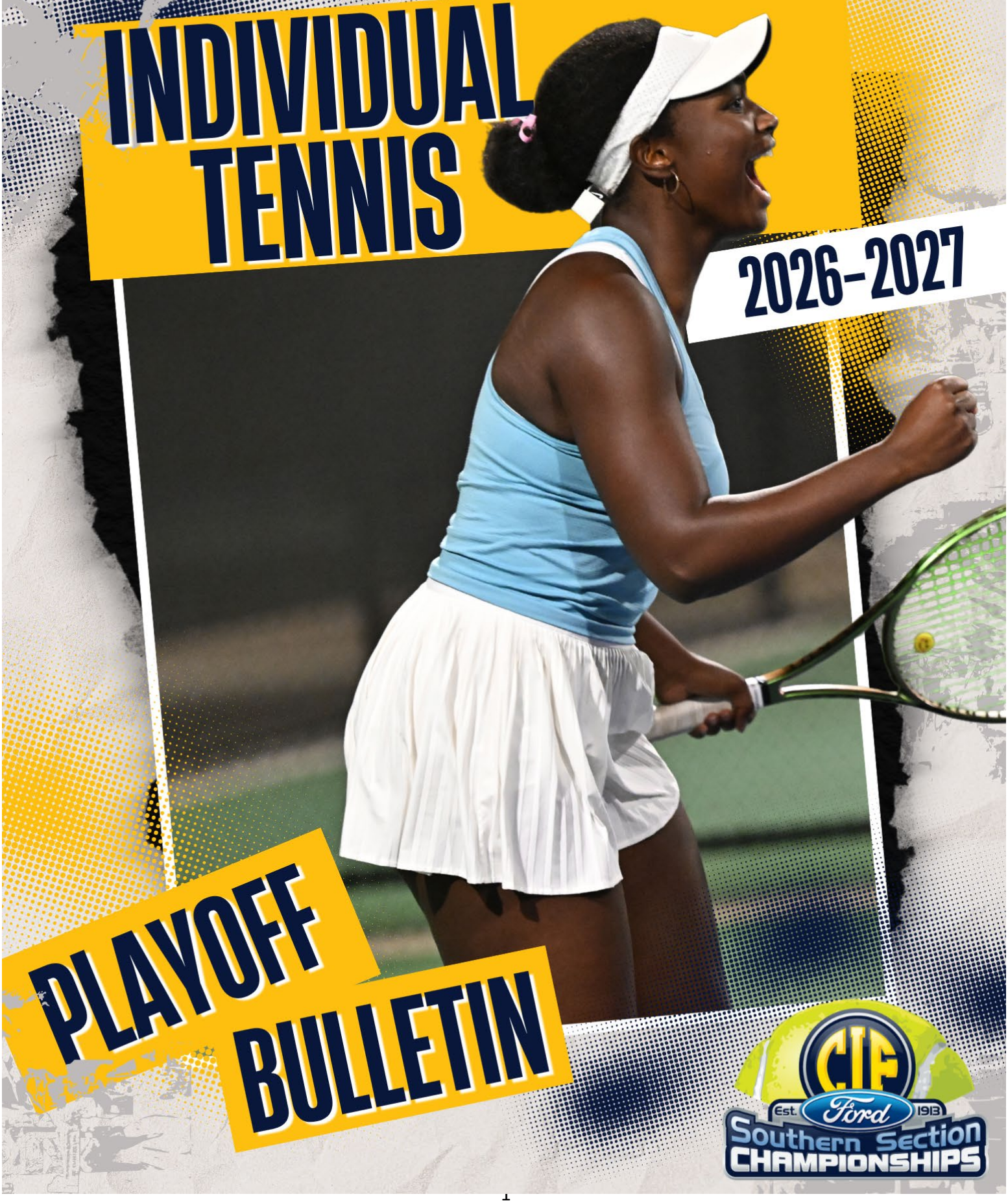
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2026–2027



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2026-2027 GIRLS INDIVIDUAL TENNIS PLAYOFF BULLETIN

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CALENDAR PLAYOFF DATES – INDIVIDUAL TENNIS

- **INDIVIDUAL: 2026-2027 CIF SOUTHERN SECTION FORD GIRLS <u>INDIVIDUAL</u> TENNIS PLAYOFF DATES**

The 2026-2027 CIF Southern Section Ford Girls Individual Tennis Championships, consisting of competition in both singles and doubles, shall be conducted on:

Monday, November 23, 2026 - (Prelims at 5 different sites)
Each school will be assigned to one of the five scheduled sectional tournament sites. Each league may enter two players in singles and two doubles teams (with an alternate available should a qualifier not be able to participate).

LOCATION OF SECTIONALS – Monday, November 23, 2026
(There may or may not be warm up courts available. Check with site management ahead of time.)

*** NO DOGS/PETS ALLOWED inside facilities or on school campuses.**

1 **CATE HIGH SCHOOL (Singles)**
& CARPINTERIA HIGH SCHOOL (Doubles)

Cate High School-SINGLES
1960 Cate Mesa Road
Carpinteria, CA 93013

Carpinteria High School-DOUBLES
4810 Foothill Road
Carpinteria, CA 93013

2 **LAKEWOOD TENNIS CENTER**
4212 Club House Drive
Lakewood, CA 90712

3 **MARINA HIGH SCHOOL**
15871 Springdale Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92649

4 **UNIV OF REDLANDS VERDIECK TENNIS COURTS**
1250 E. Colton Ave
Redlands, CA 92374

5 **ANDULKA PARK TENNNIS CENTER**
5051 Chicago Ave
Riverside, CA 92057

Each coach should carefully review the information pertaining to the Sectional to which the school has been assigned and make certain players report at the designated time and place. Transportation is not provided to alternate/additional courts. Please allow sufficient travel time. IF THERE IS TO BE ANY CHANGE DUE TO INJURY, ILLNESS, ETC., IN A LEAGUE'S ENTRY, YOUR LEAGUE COORDINATOR MUST CONTACT THE CIF-SS OFFICE NO LATER THAN <u>10 A.M. FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2026</u>. AFTER THAT DATE, THERE WILL BE NO ALTERNATES ALLOWED.

Wednesday, December 2, 2026 (Round of 32)

Check-in: 8:30 am -- Game time: 9:00 am
Biszantz Family Tennis Center @ CMS College (WARM UP COURTS AVAILABLE)
606 E. 6th Street
Claremont, CA 91711
Tournament Manager: Bob Walton, (760) 861-8869

- The lowest seeded 8 singles players and 8 doubles teams advancing from the 5 sectional tournaments held on Monday, November 23, 2026, based upon individual WTN and Massey ratings, will play in the **Round of 32** on Wednesday December 2, 2026 at the Biszantz Family Tennis Center (8:30 am check-in). The winners of these matches will move on to the **Round of 16** to be played at the Biszantz Family Tennis Center on that same day. (see note below)

  By Monday, November 30, 2026, an email will be sent to your school's Athletic Director and Coach (based on email information provided to the CIFSS office) indicating which players need to report at 8:30 am on Wednesday, December 2, 2026. This information will also be available on the Girls Tennis Page of the CIFSS website (www.cifss.org) in the news section of that page.

Wednesday, December 2, 2026 (Round of 16, Quarterfinals)
Check in: 10:30 a.m. -- Game time: 11:00 a.m.
Biszantz Family Tennis Center @ CMS College (WARM UP COURTS AVAILABLE)
606 E. 6th Street
Claremont, CA 91711
Tournament Manager, Bob Walton, (760) 861-8869

Thursday, December 3, 2026 (Semis, Finals) –
Check in: 9:30 a.m. -- Game time: 10:00 a.m.
Biszantz Family Tennis Center @ CMS College (WARM UP COURTS AVAILABLE)
606 E. 6th Street
Claremont, CA 91711
Tournament Manager, Bob Walton, (760) 861-8869

ENTRY FEE – **Individual Tennis Sectionals** $40/singles, $80/doubles

Schools that have athletes participating in **Individual** Girls Tennis Sectional/Championships are responsible for the entry fee. Fees are: $40/singles and $80/ doubles. Once your league notifies you that a player or players from your school have been selected to represent your league at the CIF-SS Individual Sectionals as a 1st and 2nd place entry or your school has been selected to play as a Freelance school, it is the responsibility of your school to pay the entry fee. The entry fee must be received in the CIF-SS office before participation in the assigned Sectional. No fees will be refunded if a singles player or doubles team withdraws. Fees are to be paid through cifsshome.org or via school check made payable to CIF Southern Section. No fees will be collected on site at any of the Sectionals.

To generate your school's Individual Tennis Tournament Invoice in CIFSSHome, go to
FORMS > Tournament Fees (Year: should default to current year. Event: select Tennis, Girls),
hit the yellow + button in the right corner to create invoice. Follow the prompts to complete the invoice. Once you hit "Save", you will have the option to pay by credit card or school check.
REMINDER: The entry fee must be received in the CIF-SS office before participation in the assigned Sectional. Fees are to be paid through cifsshome.org or via school check made payable to CIF Southern Section. No fees will be collected on site at any of the Sectionals.

RELEASE SCHEDULE - for Individual Sectional Site Assignments

On **Tuesday, November 17, 2026** after 3:00 pm, an announcement/special bulletin will be posted on our website at www.cifss.org. Your player(s) will be assigned to one of five sectional locations. The location your player(s) has been assigned to will be listed along with start times and information regarding the Individual Tennis Championship in this special bulletin. The FIVE sectionals will be held on Monday, November 23, 2026.

BALL PROGRAM MEMO



PLAYOFF INFORMATION

A. CIF SOUTHERN SECTION GIRLS INDIVIDUAL TENNIS QUALIFICATIONS

Each league will be assigned to one of the **five** scheduled sectional tournament sites. Each league may enter two players in singles and two doubles teams.

League entries will be due to the CIF-SS Office through CIFSSHOME.org no later than Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at 8 PM.

B. PLAYOFF TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Refer to Article 350 (Playoffs) of the Blue Book for details regarding playoff information.

2. The Commissioner of Athletics shall secure the necessary officials, provide the balls, and select a seeding procedure deemed appropriate and make up the draw.

3. School uniforms are preferred for the sectionals; however, uniforms shall conform to the dress rules as established by the SCTA. Dress shall be appropriate tennis attire, **not to include advertising and pictures.** Finalists are to wear school issued uniforms.

4. CONTINUOUS PLAY RULES:

- All serves must be taken prior to the start of the match.
- Ninety (90) seconds allowed for changing sides (except first side change of each set)
- As of January 2001, two (2) minutes is allowable for side changes between sets. Continuous play rules shall now be utilized during the first side change of any set, therefore no coaching will be permitted.
- No play stoppage of any kind allowed without specific permission.
- In all qualifying matches, including the round of 32, a USTA 10-point Match Tiebreaker will be utilized in lieu of a 3rd set. In compliance with USTA 18 & Under rules, there is a 3-minute break between the 2nd set and 10-point match tie breaker. Beginning with the Championship rounds of 32, 16 and quarters, if opponents split sets, the USTA 10 point match tiebreak will be used in lieu of a third set. There is a 3 minute break between the 2nd set and 10 point match tie break. No new tennis balls will be given.

5. SCORING: Regular scoring. The USTA ten-point match tie-break system shall be used in all qualifying sectional tournaments in lieu of a third set (first to win ten points and be ahead by a margin of two points). Regular tie-break procedure will be in effect. **NOTE: For the round of 16 and quarter finals, if opponents split sets, the USTA 10-point match tie break will be used in lieu of a third set. No new tennis balls will be given. NO deuce+1.**

6. TIEBREAK SYSTEM (6-6): The CIF-SS will use the regular USTA set tie break.

7. USTA POINT PENALTY SYSTEM

The USTA Point Penalty System will be in effect throughout the Individual Tennis Tournament.

Violations shall be penalized as follows:

First Offense -	Point
Second Offense -	Game
Third Offense -	Default

Code Violations:

Delay

- Not resuming play after natural loss of physical condition
- Not resuming play after an injury timeout or after treatment on a changeover
- Not playing within 25 seconds of having been directed to resume play
- Passage of 25 seconds after any time violation
- Leaving the court for an unauthorized reason

Conduct

- Visible or audible profanity or obscenity.
- Abuse of racket, balls, or equipment.
- Verbal or physical abuse of a player or official.
- Coaching (except during the 90 second changeover).
- Abusive conduct by a player or a person associated with a player.
- Retaliatory calls (obviously bad call made in retaliation for the opponent's calls).
- Unsportsmanlike conduct.

8. TIME VIOLATIONS

- Delay between points or after warm-up.
- Violation of the 90-second changeover rule.
- Time Violation Penalties:
  - First offense - warning
  - Each additional violation - one point penalty

Note: The passage of 25 seconds after a time violation shall result in assessment of a **code** penalty.

9. COACHING: Coaching is permitted during the 90 seconds allowed for changing sides (except first side change of each set), providing it does not distract opposing players or delay the start of play at the end of the 90 seconds. Coaching is also permitted for 3 minutes prior to the start of the USTA 10-point match tiebreaker. Coaching is allowed by two designated high school coaches only. Coaches are not allowed on the court while their player(s) is playing.

10. PROTEST OF PLAYOFF CONTESTS: By action of the CIF-SS Council, protests of playoff contests will no longer be entertained following the conclusion of the contest. Coaches must resolve questions pertaining to possible misapplication of the rules in accordance with the USTA rules. No protest may be carried forth once the contest is completed.

    Coaches are encouraged to carry USTA rulebooks with them for all playoff contests.

    Schools will still have the opportunity to protest a contest in accordance with Southern Section rules, Rule 1111, as it pertains to use of ineligible player or violations of any CIF-SS rule in connection with the contest.

11. ENTRY FEE: Schools that have athletes participating in Individual Girls Tennis Sectionals and Championships are responsible for the entry fee. Fees are: $40/singles and $80/ doubles. Once

your league notifies you that a player or players from your school have been selected to represent your league at the CIF-SS Individual Sectionals as a 1st and 2nd place entry or your school has been selected to play as a Freelance school, it is the responsibility of your school to pay the entry fee. If a 1st or 2nd place entry from a school should withdraw from the sectional before the posted deadline, the Alternate school from that league will be required to pay the fee. The entry fee must be received in the CIF-SS office before participation in the assigned Sectional. No fees will be refunded if a singles player or doubles team withdraws. Fees are to be paid through cifsshome.org or via school check made payable to CIF Southern Section. No fees will be collected on site at any of the Sectionals.

12. ELIGIBILITY FORM: It will be the responsibility of each school having entries in this tournament to submit an approved eligibility form covering their players. Eligibility forms are submitted through the team roster section of CIFSSHOME.org.

13. ELIGIBILITY LIST:
    The CIF Southern Section Eligibility List will be generated through the www.cifsshome.org site. As you input your roster information, the eligibility list information will be input at that time.

    ALL COACHES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ASCERTAINING THAT ANY PLAYER(S) ENTERED HAVE NO CONFLICT WITH ANY OTHER EVENT OR ACTIVITY.

14. Please read carefully the enclosed Special Notice pertaining to supervision of athletes. If the coach is not in attendance, entrants will not be allowed to participate

15. AWARDS: Appropriate awards will be given to the winner and runner-up in both singles and doubles.

C. SUPERVISION OF ATHLETES/CONDUCT

SPECIAL NOTICE - INDIVIDUAL TENNIS

SUPERVISION OF ATHLETES

The Southern Section Office has experienced a problem which has perpetuated itself over the past few years as it pertains to proper supervision and entry of student-athletes in the post-season playoffs.

The situation relates only to individual sports, i.e. CROSS COUNTRY, INDIVIDUAL TENNIS, TRACK, SWIMMING, etc. and the official recognition and registration of entrants at the respective playoff sites.

State and Southern Section Rule 503 states:

No CIF team (i.e., individual) shall participate in inter-scholastic or approved competition with any other team unless the CIF team is under supervision as required by the California Administrative Code 49032 and CIF By-Law #503 (F). (Additionally, refer to Rule 123.) The supervisor must remain in attendance at all times.

Those persons APPROVED FOR SUPERVISION PURPOSES are limited to:
A. Certificated personnel
B. Certified Coaches (certified credentialed coaches)
C. Non-certificated temporary coaches (certified walk-on coaches.)

(It should be noted that schools representing the same DISTRICT may send one credentialed or certified supervisor for three or four athletes. These individuals have been recognized and are to continue to be recognized for registration and participation purposes in that the district has assigned the supervisory role for all students from its' member schools to this one individual.)

However, the concern is for those students who ARE NOT accompanied by a faculty representative and report to the playoff site by themselves or with a parent. ***GIVING PARENTS THE SUPERVISION AUTHORITY, WHETHER IN WRITING OR NOT, DOES NOT MEET THE STANDARDS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE REGULATIONS.*** **This also applies to parents who are the student=s private coach but are not under contract to the member school.**

PLEASE NOTE, THIS RULE WAS REVIEWED BY BOTH THE STATE CIF OFFICE, ITS GENERAL COUNSEL AND THE SOUTHERN SECTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. IT HAS BEEN REAFFIRMED THAT THE INTERPRETATION STAND AS ABOVE AND THAT ANY STUDENT REPORTING FOR COMPETITION WHO IS NOT UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND SOUTHERN SECTION RULE 503, IS TO BE DENIED ENTRY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPETITION.

As pointed out by the Southern Section and State CIF attorney, there are inherent liability problems when an individual competes in violation of said rule. Please review this rule with your staff in that it will be strictly enforced as per the above application.

CODE OF CONDUCT

The highest type of sportsmanship is expected from every player! An understanding of and a commitment to the points highlighted on this card are part of your responsibility as a player in a U.S.T.A. tournament. **Violators of this code or its spirit are subject to disciplinary action.**

1	Once you have entered a tournament, honor your commitment to play. Exceptions should occur only in cases of serious illness, injury, or personal emergency.
2	From the beginning of the match, play must be continuous. Attempts to stall or to extend rest periods for the purpose of recovering from a loss of physical condition (such as cramps or shortness of breath) are clearly illegal.
3	Intentional distractions that interfere with your opponent=s concentration or effort to play the ball are against the rules.
4	Spectators, including parents, friends, and coaches, are welcome to watch and enjoy matches. Their role, however is clearly restricted to that of passive observer with **no involvement of any kind** during the match.
5	Players are expected to put forth a full and honest effort regardless of the score or expected outcome.
6	Players are expected to maintain full control over their emotions and the resulting behavior throughout the match. If you begin to lose your composure during play, try the following: $ Take several deep breaths, exhale as slowly as possible and feel your muscles relax. $ Concentrate on your own game and behavior while ignoring distractions from your opponent or surroundings. $ Be your won best friend B enjoy your good shots and forget the poor ones.

ON-COURT RULES*

Take this card onto the court for reference!

If you have any doubt as to whether a ball is out or good, you must five your opponent the benefit of the doubt and play the ball as good. You should **not** play a let.

It is your obligation to call all balls on your side, to help your opponent make calls when the opponent requests it, and to *call against yourself* (with the exception of a first service) any ball that you clearly see out on your opponent=s side of the net.

Any Aout@ or Alet@ call must be made instantaneously (i.e., made before either an opponent has hit the return or the return has gone out of play); otherwise, the ball continues in play.

Do **not** enlist the aid of spectators in making line calls.

If you call a ball out and then realize it was good, you should correct your call.

To avoid controversy over the score, the Server should announce the set score (e.g., 5-4) before starting a game and the game score (e.g., thirty-forty) prior to serving each point.

If players cannot agree on the score, they may go back to the last score on which there was agreement and resume play from that point, or they may spin a racket.

Foot faults are not allowed. If an opponent persists in foot faulting after being warned not to do so, the Referee should be informed.

$ Do not stall, sulk, complain, or practice gamesmanship.

Wait until the players on another court have completed a point before retrieving or returning a ball.

**Excerpted from the official U.S.T.A. publication, AThe Code,@ whose principles and guideline shall apply in any match conducted without officials.*

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70 West Red Oak Lane
White Plains, NY 10604-3602

D. PLAYOFF/CHAMPIONSHIPS – Post Season Awards

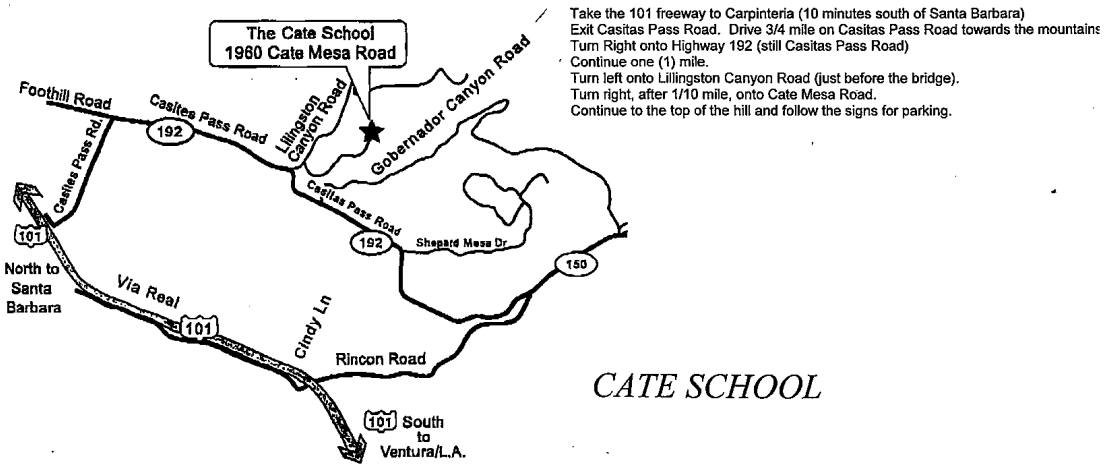
General information regarding CIF Southern Section Playoff/Championship Requirements - Additional/Custom Post Season Awards can be found at www.CIFSS.org on the download section of the sports page.



E. SITE MAPS

CATE HIGH SCHOOL

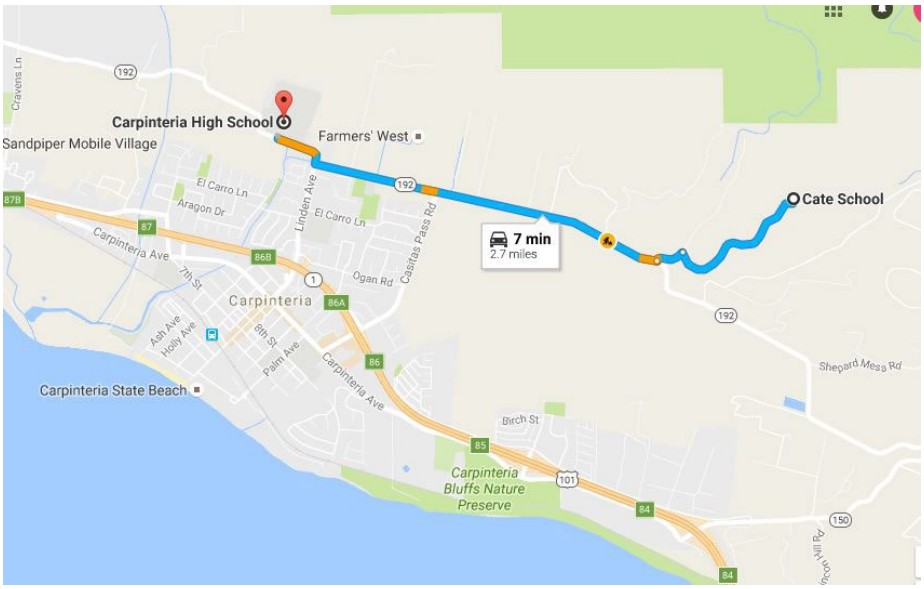
1960 Cate Mesa Road, Carpinteria, CA 93013



(see map below for distance between Cate HS and Carpinteria HS)

CARPINTERIA HIGH SCHOOL

4810 Foothill Road, Carpinteria, CA 93013



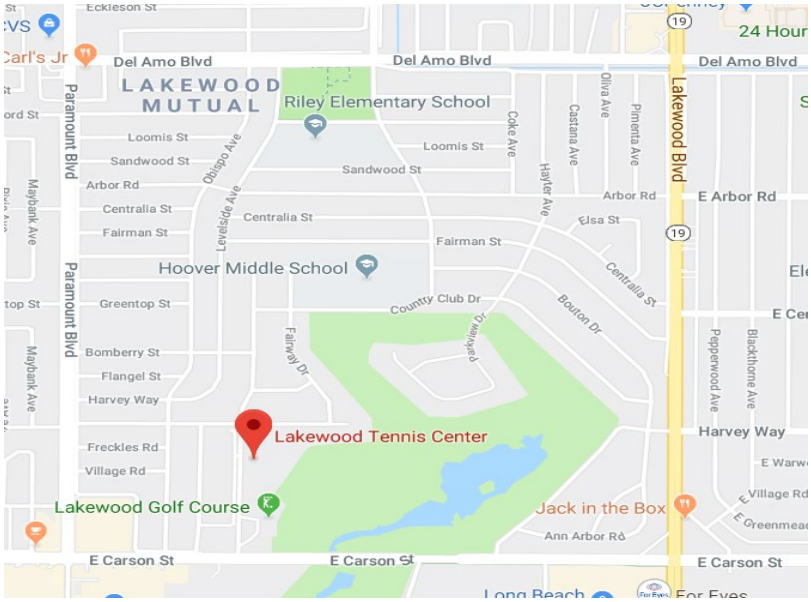
LAKEWOOD TENNIS CENTER
4212 Club House Drive, Lakewood, CA 90712

From 405 FWY-Exit 405 at Lakewood Bl-go north to Carson St-turn left-go to Clubhouse Dr-turn right to courts

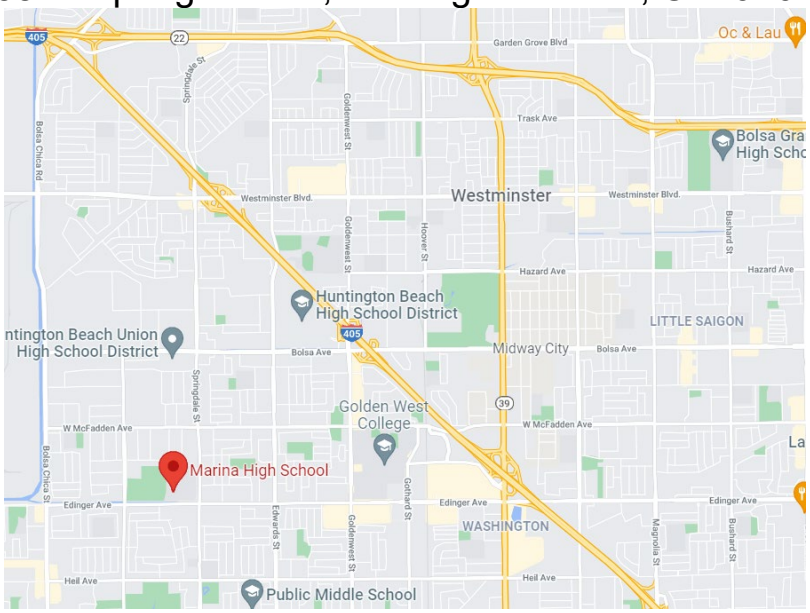
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From 91 FWY-Exit Lakewood Bl-go south to Carson St-turn right-go to Clubhouse Dr-turn right to courts

From 710 FWY-Exit Del Amo Bl-go east to Paramount Bl-to right-go to Carson St-turn left-go to Clubhouse Dr-turn left to courts



MARINA HIGH SCHOOL
15871 Springdale St., Huntington Beach, CA 92649



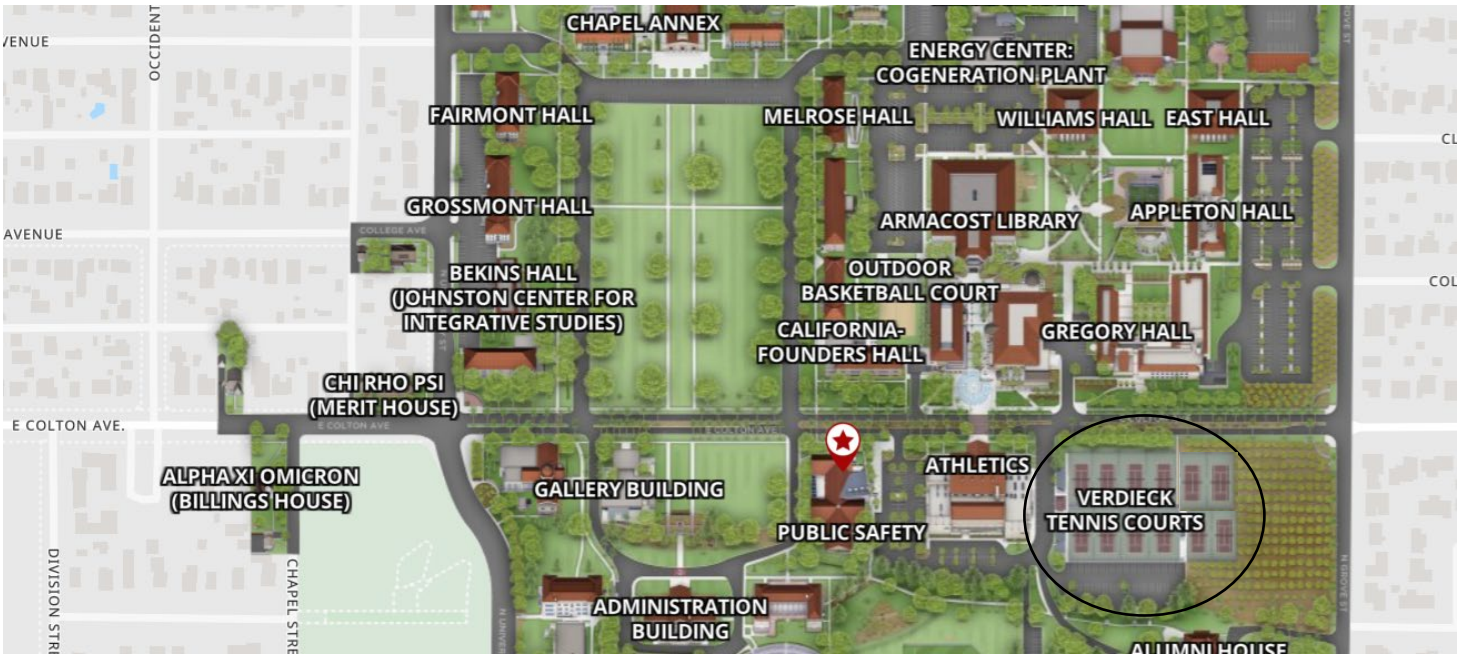
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1200 E. Colton Ave., Redlands, CA 92374

Directions to the University of Redlands, 1200 E. Colton Ave., Redlands, CA 92373:

From the Los Angeles area: Take the I-10 east to University Street exit. Turn left on University Street. Turn right on Colton Avenue at the first stop sign.

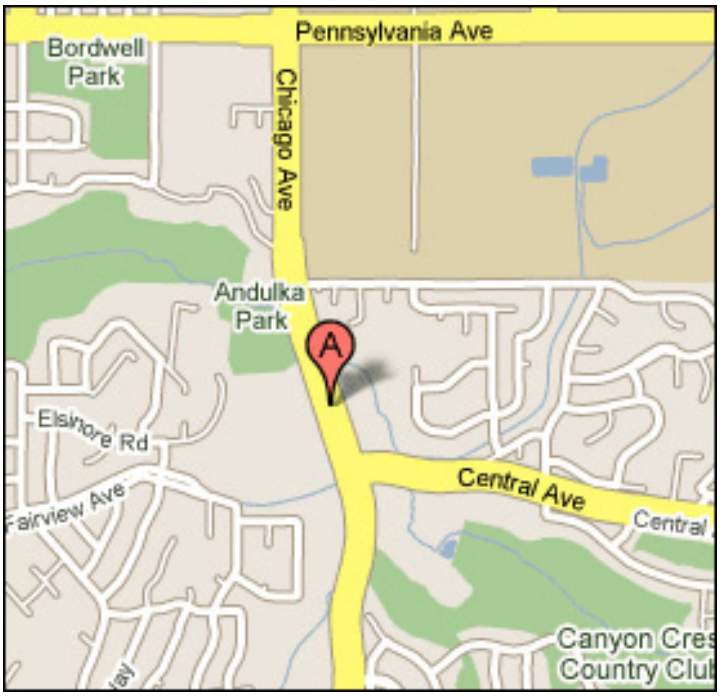
From the Palm Springs area: Take the I-10 west to Cypress Avenue exit. Go through the first stop sign to Cypress Avenue. Turn left on Cypress Avenue. Turn right on University Street. Turn right on Colton Avenue.

From the Pasadena area: Take the I-210 east (AKA Hwy. 30) to the I-10 east. Take the University Street exit. Turn left on University Street. Turn right on Colton Avenue at the first stop sign.



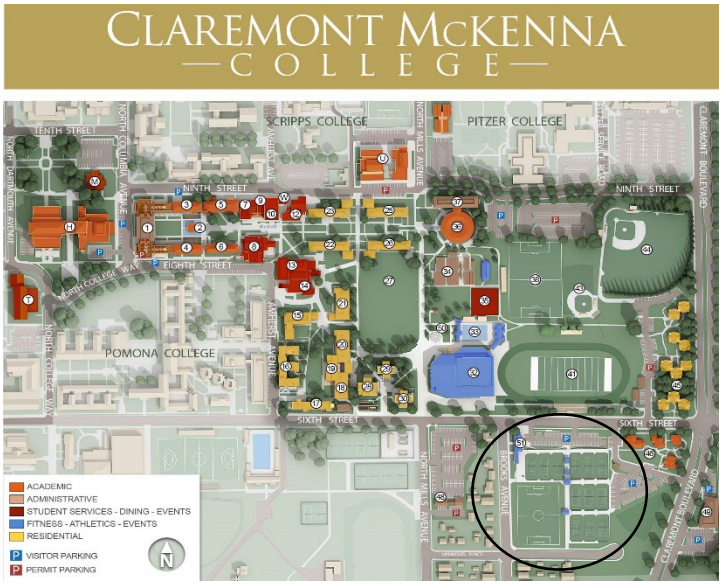
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