

Organised by Hong Kong, China Tennis Association
Subvented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Co-organised by the Education Bureau

School Sports Programme

Joint Schools Tennis Training Programme 2024 – Tennis Competition

[Prospectus]

1. Objective : To offer participants of the Joint Schools Tennis Training Programme under the School Sports Programme (SSP) an opportunity to exchange and gain experience in competitions so as to develop their interest in tennis and enhance their skill levels.

2. Eligibility : The Competition is open to primary school students who participated in the Joint Schools Tennis Training Programme between 1 April 2023 and 15 July 2024.

3. Time and Venue of Competition :	Division	Date	Time	Venue
	Boys' Single & Girls' Single	11 August 2024 (Sunday) (Fallback date: 31 August 2024 (Saturday))	08:00am to 07:00pm	Shek Kip Mei Park Tennis Courts (Address: Cornwall Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon)

4. Division and Quota :	Division (Age as at 2024)			Quota	
	Boy's Single	A	Aged 12 or below	Born on or after 1 January 2012 or onwards	16
		B	Aged 10 or below	Born on or after 1 January 2014 or onwards	24
		C	Aged 8 or below	Born on or after 1 January 2016 or onwards	8
	Girl's Single	A	Aged 12 or below	Born on or after 1 January 2012 or onwards	8
		B	Aged 10 or below	Born on or after 1 January 2014 or onwards	16
		C	Aged 8 or below	Born on or after 1 January 2016 or onwards	8

5. Notes on Application :

a. Each student may only enroll in one division and they must be the current student of primary school during the competition period. Quotas in each division are limited. **If the number of enrolments exceeds the quotas available, quotas will be allocated by means of balloting.**

b. To ensure efficient use of resources, the Organiser may adjust the quota for and

the format of each division in light of the number of enrolments. The quota of each division will be finalised on the day of the announcement of the acceptance list. Participants shall raise no objection.

- c. Participants shall submit duly completed application forms with crossed cheques for payment of enrolment fees by post to Hong Kong, China Tennis Association (HKCTA).

- Address: Hong Kong, China Tennis Association Tennis Centre, Kowloon Tsai Park, 13 Inverness Road, Kowloon City, Kowloon
- Payable to: **“The Hong Kong, China Tennis Association Limited” with the schools and participant’s name and category marked clearly on the back of the cheque**

6. Fee : \$110 per person

7. Enrolment Period : 14 June – 8 July 2024 (Postmark date will be deemed the date of submission.)

8. Acceptance List : The acceptance list will be uploaded on 16 July 2024. Participants should visit the HKCTA’s website (www.tennishk.org) for the acceptance list. For those whose names are not on the list, please contact the HKCTA within three days from the announcement of the list on 2794 1793 or at cynthia.lo@tennishk.org. No amendments can be made three days after the announcement of the list.

9. Competition Schedule : The competition schedule will be uploaded onto the HKCTA’s website (www.tennishk.org) one week prior to the competition (2 August 2024). For enquiries, please contact the HKCTA by phone.

10. Format : a. **A knock-out system** will be adopted in the competition;
b. Format of Play:
i. The match will be won by the player who first reaches 4 games. No-Ad Scoring. The player who gets one more point first will win when the score reaches 40-40 in each game. The receiving player has the right to choose which side of the court that the service is to be delivered on game-deciding point.
ii. Two serves for each point.
iii. A 5-minute warm up before the match.
c. Unless otherwise specified therein, the existing rules employed by the HKCTA will be adopted. The Organiser shall have the right to change the format as necessary.

11. Official Tennis Ball : Tennis balls to be used in the Competition shall be provided by the HKCTA;
Division A: Yellow Ball; Division B: Green Ball; Division C: Orange Ball

12. Official Racket : Participants shall bring their own rackets;
Division A: (No limit) ; Division B: 26 inches or less in length and
Division C: 25 inches or less in length

13. Reporting on Arrival
- a. Participants shall report to the Organiser’s staff 30 minutes before the scheduled time of the match. Those failing to show up within five minutes after the staff’s roll call will be deemed to have waived their rights to participate.
 - b. Participants shall produce **unambiguous proof of identity bearing photos**, such as student handbooks, student ID cards, etc., to the Organiser’s staff before competition for verification.
 - c. The competition schedule shall follow the on-the-spot announcements.
14. Inclement Weather Arrangements
- a. In case the Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above, or Rainstorm Signal Red/Black is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory two hours before the reporting time for the first round of events on the competition day; or the Environmental Protection Department has announced that the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) recorded at its general monitoring stations reaches 10+ (“Serious” health risk category) in the competition area; or the Education Bureau has announced the closure of schools, all events on the day will be cancelled. Corresponding arrangements will be announced in due course. Under other adverse weather conditions, all players are required to report to the Organiser as scheduled. The referees on the site shall decide whether the Competition should proceed or not.
 - b. If the AQHI recorded at the general monitoring stations in the competition area reaches 10+ (“Serious” health risk category) during the Competition, all events in progress shall be **terminated immediately**.
15. Competition Apparel
- : Participants shall wear proper sportswear and shoes with non-marking rubber outsoles during the Competition.
16. Awards
- a. Medals and certificates will be presented to the Champion, 1st Runner-up, 2nd Runner-up and 3rd Runner-up. The prizes will be presented to the awardees on the spot upon completion of the finals.
 - b. If participants are absent from any event or fail to complete all events, the Organiser shall have the right to revoke their eligibility for prizes, and no medals or certificates will be presented to them.
17. Appeal
- : No appeal will be accepted. The referees’ decision on the competition results shall be final.
18. Remarks
- a. Referees shall have the right to disqualify a participant from the Competition in case of a serious foul, a breach of the rules of the Competition or a display of unsporting behavior.
 - b. The LCSD will carry out photo shoots/video-filming/arrange broadcasting during the competitions, and has the right to display/publish the event photos or videos on the Internet, at venues of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, on the dedicated website, in publications of the Organiser and through other publicity channels, for promotion of activities or record purposes.
19. Enquiries
- : Hong Kong, China Tennis Association
Tel No.: 2794 1793 (Ms.Lo)

In case of any inadequacy in this Prospectus, the Organiser shall have the right to make amendments as appropriate at any time without further notice.