

2023-2024 JUNIOR PROGRAM Informational Guide

The Edgebrook Junior Tennis Program is designed to provide an educational tennis experience in a fun and safe environment for all levels of play. Junior program participants will learn the basic fundamentals of the game as they move from one level to the next.

Our staff is looking to accelerate tennis development through meaningful and intentional instruction so that players can compete with their peers, if they choose. Because each player is unique in ability and skill set, we believe in helping players reach their full potential, regardless of their playing background.

Enrollment

Enrollment in the Junior Tennis Program is on a first-come, first-served basis, and ultimately depends on class availability. Capacities for each level will be based on club determination and will never exceed any guidelines set by the state. Once your child is in the Junior Tennis Program, he/she will be automatically re-enrolled for the months following unless we receive a written/email notice to cancel. To cancel the Junior Tennis Program classes, you must notify the front desk via email. Verbal cancellations are not accepted. <u>Please note: Canceling a class is not the same as canceling your club membership!</u>

Once enrolled in the program, you do not need to be on a waitlist to move levels. When our teaching staff believes your child is ready to move up and there is space in the next level, we will contact you. Members enrolled have priority for level movement before new program registrants. All athlete movement is done by a committee of staff – ONE staff member is not responsible for athletes progressing to the next level. Most athletes will stay in the same class for multiple years. Not all athletes will reach the Advanced level of tennis at Edgebrook regardless of the number of years they have been in the program.

Communication

Edgebrook uses email as the main source of communication with our families. Because we know just how busy you all are, we try to limit our communication to just the important changes. This packet will provide a basic guideline for the year. We ask that all members provide accurate contact information to help us best communicate any changes or updates. Please notify the front office should any of your contact information change.

Any questions or concerns regarding your athlete should be directed to our teaching pros (Anthony, Sean, Alex) <u>outside</u> of teaching hours. In-person meetings are frowned upon. Our pros are limited in time so we ask that you respect their time constraints and schedule an opportunity to talk with them outside of Junior Program hours. Please do not ask a staff member to move your child levels within the program.

Holidays/School Breaks

Holidays are worked into the calculation of our monthly fee. During the winter, if the Bellevue School District closes due to inclement weather, our Junior Program will also be cancelled, and class fees will be adjusted accordingly.

Payment - Members

If your child is enrolled in our Junior Tennis Program, we are holding a space for your child for the month. You will be charged the full monthly rate whether or not your child attends all of the available classes. We do not offer make-up classes. In case of injury or other extenuating circumstances, requests to prorate classes must be submitted *in writing/via email* to the front office. We must receive an email from you by the 20th of the month to have your child removed from the next month of the program. If we don't hear from you by the 20th, your child will be automatically enrolled and charged for the following month.

Many of our levels end up with full waitlists; please be respectful of those wishing to participate in our program by giving appropriate notice so that more members can participate. For the previous school year, we had over 80 kids on the waitlist hoping for a chance to join.

	Beginner			Int. 1 - incl. Match Play			Int. 2 - incl. Match Play			Advanced - incl. Match Play		
	MON & WED			MON/₩ED+Fri			TUES/THUR+1Fri			TUES/THUR+1Fri		
SEPTEMBER	7	\$	133.00	8	\$	152.00	9	\$	256.50	9	\$	256.50
OCTOBER .	9	\$	171.00	10	\$	190.00	10	\$	285.00	11	\$	313.50
NOVEMBER	9	\$	171.00	9	\$	171.00	9	\$	256.50	9	\$	256.50
DECEMBER	5	\$	95.00	6	\$	114.00	6	\$	171.00	6	\$	171.00
JANUARY	8	\$	152.00	9	\$	171.00	10	\$	285.00	11	\$	313.50
FEBRUARY	6	\$	114.00	7	\$	133.00	8	\$	228.00	8	\$	228.00
MARCH	8	\$	152.00	9	\$	171.00	9	\$	256.50	10	\$	285.00
APRIL	7	\$	133.00	8	\$	152.00	8	\$	228.00	8	\$	228.00
МАУ	8	\$	152.00	10	\$	190.00	10	\$	285.00	11	\$	313.50
JUNE	5	\$	95.00	6	\$	114.00	5	\$	142.50	5	\$	142.50
TOTALS	72	\$	1,368.00	82	\$	1,558.00	84	\$ 2	2,394.00	88	\$	2,508.00
AVG #DAYS	7.2			8.2			8.4			8.8		
AVG FEE		\$	136.80		\$	155.80		\$	239.40		\$	250.80

These prices are subject to change

Supervised Match Play Philosophy

Match Play is an important part of player development. We offer Match Play for all but the Beginner level. Players should arrive by 4:00pm and be prepared to play intermittently until 6:00pm once a month on their scheduled match play date. Play structure will vary between the levels depending on attendance, but all players should expect round-robin or tournament style point play for both singles and doubles. Edgebrook will have tennis staff on hand to oversee the matches and give guided feedback to the players on the courts. Match play dates will follow a general schedule as noted previously but may change due to school schedule. This is part of the development process. As the year continues, we will look for more ways to have athletes competing. For Advanced class: Match Play attendance is required. Failing to come to Match Play during the month could result in you being removed from the class. Please mark your calendar accordingly and attend both sessions each month.

Private Lessons

We have very limited openings for private lessons and suggest that students take semi-private lessons with other children of similar skill levels whenever possible. If you are interested in Private Lessons in addition to Junior Program classes, you can reach out directly to any of our Tennis Pros to check their availability.

Sean Kelly – sean@edgebrookclub.org
Alex Namba – alex@edgebrookclub.org
Anthony Vo – anthony@edgebrookclub.org

<u>Class Attire</u> Appropriate Court attire is required for class each day.

- Non-marking athletic shoes are required. For students in levels 3+, we strongly recommend tennis court shoes.
- Athletic Pants, Shorts or Tennis Skirts (jeans are not permitted)
- Athletic Shirts (no cut off tank tops)
- Water bottle
- Racquet: We do not have extra racquets, shoes or clothing items on site. Please come to class prepared. Students who are not dressed for play will be unable to participate. If you need some of these items, there are many options for purchasing, but www.tennis-warehouse.com and Sturtevant's in Bellevue are potential starting points for those needing some help.

<u>Program Waitlist</u> If you have taken junior program tennis at Edgebrook in the past year, you can ask to be placed on the waitlist at your previous level without an evaluation if you were in Beginner or Intermediate 1 levels. If you would like to be re-evaluated for junior program placement, are returning to Intermediate 2 or Advanced after more than one year or are new to Edgebrook Junior Tennis, you will need to have an evaluation prior to registration.

Evaluations: Evaluations are done at no charge if you are new to the program and this is your first evaluation. If you are IN the junior program currently and want to be evaluated, there is a \$30+ tax fee for each evaluation. *Evaluations are not lessons*. If you are scheduled for an evaluation and no show, you will be charged for all evaluations going forward whether you are in the program or not. Please check our website for upcoming evaluation dates and times – dates for evaluation are limited.

MANDATORY Parent Meeting

A virtual parent meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7th at 7:30pm. This meeting is mandatory for at least one parent/guardian of any child in the Junior Tennis program. We will have another meeting if necessary for new parents in Spring 2024.