

Boys Coach of the Year - Class 2A

John Naisbitt - Hinsdale Central

The 2018 Hinsdale Central Red Devils had an unforgettable season. IHSTCA Coach of the Year John Naisbitt played a major role in the sculpting of this championship team, and that hard work culminated with the school's 25th tennis state title. Here are some of the highlights of their season:

- 12-0 dual match record
- Champs of the "Best of the Midwest" as well as four other Saturday invites
- Sectional champions with a perfect score of 36
- 2nd in the national Deco Turf Team Championships
- Class 2A state champions with a team score of 44 points
- Zach Elliott won the singles state title
- Trevor Hamilton and Andrew Buhelos won the doubles state title
- Joe Daw and Ansh Shah (4th) and Danny Schmelka (top 12) also finished all-state at the state meet

Here is what John said about Central's 2018 season:

"We won the state championship for the 5th time in the last seven years. And for the first time in that stretch, we did it without Martin Joyce and Eddie Grabill, who are Hall of Fame caliber players now competing in D1 college programs. We did it with a group that has worked extremely hard the last few years."