

Girls Coach of the Year - 2012

Tres Heimann -- Elmhurst York

Elmhurst York, guided by 2012 IHSTCA Coach of the Year Tres Heimann, had another impressive girls' tennis season in 2012. Here are a few of the highlights:

- Sixth consecutive sectional championship
- All six players qualified for the state tournament
- Five players were all-state: singles (2nd team), doubles (both honorable mention)
- Highest team finish in school history (6th place)
- Second straight year finishing in the state's top ten

Coach Heimann's Duchesses had a remarkable season in 2012, playing a brutal schedule and recording accomplishments up and down the line-up. Competing in a conference with Hinsdale Central and Lyons Township, York shies away from no competition. Tres believes in preparing his ladies by sending them out against the state's finest on a weekly basis. Here are some of his comments regarding the 2012 campaign:

“We had a great group of girls who worked very hard both during the season and in the off-season to help prepare them. It was very enjoyable to go to the courts every day. Three seniors led our team at No. 1 singles and No. 1 doubles. Our No. 1 singles player, Maria Avgerinos, was a three-time all-state player and finished her senior season in 9th-12th place. She is signed to play at Syracuse University next year.

It was a special season to have three positions seeded at the state tournament and have five players earn All-State status in the same year. Just as enjoyable, though, was the process leading up to the tournament with the work that was put in during the summer months and then during the season. The game of tennis is very important to many of the girls in our program; it is also important to the coaches in our program. We received a lot of support from the school and we are very excited to continue building a program at York High School.”

Tres Heimann has established himself as one of the leading young tennis coaches in Illinois, and his award as the 2012 IHSTCA Coach of the Year is a well-deserved one. Congratulations, Tres!