

## my FAVORITE TENNIS SNACKS



### Hot Fries

Every tennis tourney, I have to have hot fries. I have to do the same thing before every tourney. -- **Tucker Love** (12)



### Blackberries

"I need blackberries before tourneys because they are light and cool."

--**Jackie Kendall** (12)



### Coffee

I like coffee because it gives you enough energy to play the game and it's healthy."

--**Caleb Smith** (10)



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1. **Priya Pai (9)** runs to hit the ball during the girls doubles match at the district tournament. "Coach Holt is encouraging and helped me improve my skills," Pai said. *photo by juana santana*



2. First-year mixed doubles players **Morgan Wood (10)** and **Zack Powell (11)** practice their strokes. They went up against Henderson's Kendall and Love and earned fourth place. *photo by juana santana*



Reaching for the ball, **Adam Morris (10)** pulls his right arm back for a forearm swing. Morris placed first at district, went to regionals, and placed fourth in boys singles bracket. *photo by juana santana*

## First YEAR

Freshmen talk about why they decided to play tennis.

"I've always liked the sport and my cousin suggested I play this year."

**JENNIFER AYALA, 9**

"This was my first year to play tennis. It just seemed fun to do."

**KAILEY DOOLEY, 9**

"I decided to play tennis this year because I always had an interest in it and thought it was something cool to try."

**KALISON DREW, 9**

"I played this year because I wanted to do something different."

**TARYN TAYLOR, 9**



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**TENNIS TEAM NEEDS BELGIAN**



Foreign exchange student

Justine Higuette (12) came to Henderson from Belgium. She was very experienced in playing tennis in her home country, so she wanted to play when she got here. She didn't get to participate in the varsity tournaments due to UIL rules, but she got to play in the JV district tournaments. She made a lot of friends and even taught the tennis team a chant. "It is a tradition in Belgium to sing this chant when any Belgium team wins," Higuette said. After everyone was done at the district tourney, they huddled in a circle and sang the chant Higuette taught them.

1. Getting in the game, **Shivam Patel (10)** jumps and prepares himself to hit the ball. Patel received third place in the boys singles bracket at the district tourney. *photo by juana santana*

2. **Maalik Hill (10)** warms up before his doubles match at the district tournament in Center. "I think we could have been a more efficient doubles team if we worked a little bit harder and come together as a team and family," Hill said. *photo by juana santana*

3. After hitting the ball, **Jordan Maddox (10)** follows through with her forearm swing. "My favorite memory from tennis is when I fell and broke a bench," Maddox said. *photo by juana santana*

4. Using her backhand stroke, **Josie Kendall (9)** waits for the ball to approach her. Kendall won all her JV matches at the district tourney. *photo by juana santana*

