As we begin our Christmas Break, I wanted to update all interested tennis players in the plans for the Spring semester.

Our matches start in mid-February and the Region tournament will be in early April. Each match consists of 3 singles and 2 doubles for a total of 7 players in the lineup. Players not in the lineup will sometimes play exhibitions at the end of the regular matches if both teams have extra players. When a match is played, one team will play at Osborne and the other team will play away at the same time.

Tryouts

* The OHS tennis teams (Boys and Girls) will each have a roster of 12 players.
* Tryouts will take place January 9-12 (Monday through Thursday).
* **Attendance is mandatory. If you are unable to attend a tryout day, you must talk to Coach Nicol (Boys) or Coach Pannela (Girls).**

Physicals

* **Every player that plays tennis must have a current physical on file.**  Physicals obtained for other teams or activities are acceptable. If your physical was obtained prior to April, you must get a new one
* In addition to family physicians, physicals can be obtained:
  + For free at the Cobb and Douglas Health Services facility on County Services Parkway
  + For $30 at the Kroger on South Cobb Drive
* If you need a physical, if possible get it over the break

Insurance

* Every athlete must have health insurance
* If you do not have any health coverage, a low cost alternative is available starting at $14.50 from T.W. Lord. A brochure is attached to this email.

Fees

* Tennis fees will be $75 again this year.
* Each player will receive two t-shirts (one long-sleeve and one short-sleeve)
* Fees also cover ongoing team expenses including:
  + Tennis balls
  + Snacks and drinks for home matches
  + Racket repair and restringing
* **Fees will be due by Friday, January 20th from all players making the team**

Communication

* Remind.com is used for same-day messages, such as cancellations for weather and transportation updates for matches. If you have not already joined the list send a text to 81010 with @tennisohs in the message field. Follow the prompts when you receive a reply to your text
* The team website, osbornetennis.weebly.com, contains information about the team. The schedule on the website will always be kept up-to-date
* A parent meeting will be scheduled once the team is finalized in January

If you have any questions, please contact Coach Nicol or Coach Pannela. Have a safe and enjoyable Break!!