

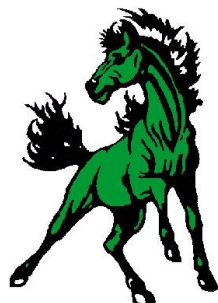
# Colt Country News

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## From the Principal

Dear Arlington High School Students and Parents,

As we venture through these unprecedented times I wanted to tell you, we know this is a difficult time for many. As always, the safety of your child is of the utmost importance to us. We are committed to providing the safest environment for your child, whether it be online or in person. While instruction may look different, we are going to do everything in our power to make sure this will be a great year. We will make the best of a difficult situation and come out stronger for it!!!

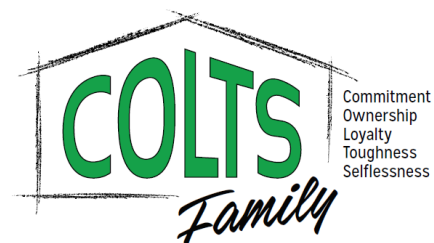
As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at [sdhalla@aisd.net](mailto:sdhalla@aisd.net)

Kick 'em Colts!!!

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Sign up to receive Dr. Dhalla's weekly principal's message

<https://tinyurl.com/y57j9hft>

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Please note that due to Covid-19 some of the dates and events listed in this newsletter may be subject to change. Please check before you go to any event.

Up to date information can be found at [aisd.net/ahs](http://aisd.net/ahs) or [aisd.net](http://aisd.net)

Sign up to receive information directly from Principal Dhalla.



## From the PTA President

On behalf of the AHS PTA, I want to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year! Typically I would write about upcoming events and hope to see you at our school during schedule pick up, the Colt Country Fair, and our first general meeting in September. Due to the pandemic, we are starting this school year during an unprecedented time and in an unprecedented way, but that will not diminish the spirit of AHS! I want to thank our principal, Dr. Dhalla and the entire staff at Arlington High School for their dedication to our students! They have worked tirelessly to develop a plan to provide quality instruction and support for our students while protecting the health and safety of our entire community. We will have to adjust some expectations and practices, but the spirit of AHS is strong and will continue to touch all of us in the AHS Colts family.

A great way to show your Colts spirit and pride is to wear some of our spirit shirts! We have several new designs available at [vitshirts.net](http://vitshirts.net). Your purchase will help support our PTA and provide resources for many enrichment programs while also showing your school spirit. Simply go to our online store and choose your items. They will be on sale through September 9<sup>th</sup>. They will be available for contactless pickup on September 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, or you can have your items shipped directly to you for an additional fee. I think everyone can find a shirt design they love in our selection!

Our PTA has a number of programs designed to support our staff and students and recognize important achievements throughout the school year. This year, Texas PTA will be working to advocate for our schools during the legislative session. Texas PTA legislative goals include prioritizing equal access to broadband internet for all students and technology upgrades for all students. Your membership in our local PTA helps support the Texas PTA and strengthens their efforts to advocate for our children with law makers throughout the state. Please go to [pta.org](http://pta.org) and join our PTA! Your membership and dues help so much!

Our local and state PTAs award many scholarships to seniors each year and I want AHS seniors to have the best opportunity to apply to all of those scholarships. To be eligible to apply for any of the PTA scholarships, the senior student and at least one parent or guardian must be a member of the local PTA, so join now and be ready to start your applications soon!

While we do not know exactly how this year will unfold, we can focus on the community of support we have here at AHS. Remember, together or apart, forever Colts at heart!

Suzanne Hudson  
AHS PTA President  
[arlingtonhspta@gmail.com](mailto:arlingtonhspta@gmail.com)



To join the AHS PTA please go to [JoinPTA.org](http://JoinPTA.org)  
or use the form on page 6 in this newsletter





**Due to Covid-19 all meetings and events, locations and times are subject to change. Know before you go. Check [aisd.net/ahs](https://aisd.net/ahs) or [arlingtonhspta.com](https://arlingtonhspta.com) before attending**

### PTA and MGM 2020-2021 Events

September 14	PTA Membership Meeting	6:00 p.m.	via Zoom
October 5	Executive PTA Board/MGM	6:30 p.m./7:30 p.m.	via Zoom
November 12	PTA Executive Board /MGM	6:30 p.m./7:30 p.m.	TBA
No December meeting			
January 11/2021	PTA Executive/Membership Mtgs	6:30 p.m./7:15 p.m.	Library
January 11, 2021	MGM	7:45 p.m.	Library
February 2	No PTA, just MGM	6:30 p.m.	Library
March 1 or 8	PTA/Open House/MGM	6:00/6:30/7:30	AHS
April 5	PTA Executive Board/MGM	6:30 p.m./7:30 p.m.	Library
May 3	PTA Executive/Membership Mtgs	6:30 p.m./7:15 p.m.	Library
May 3	MGM meeting	7:45 p.m.	Library

### Other Important Events

October 2 (Tentative) Homecoming

**Things are ever changing. To keep up with the latest and most accurate information go to**

**[aisd.net](https://aisd.net)**

**District Website**

**[aisd.net/AHS](https://aisd.net/AHS)**

**Arlington High School Website**

**[arlingtonhspta.com](https://arlingtonhspta.com)**

**AHS PTA Website**

**Sign up to receive Dr. Dhalla's weekly principal's message <https://tinyurl.com/v57j9hft>**

Follow AHS on Twitter  
[go to twitter.com/arlingtonhs](https://twitter.com/arlingtonhs)

Like the AHS PTA on  
[Facebook.com/AHSPTA/](https://Facebook.com/AHSPTA/)



## PTA Newsletter Deadlines

The AHS PTA newsletter is printed with information that is submitted by organizations and booster clubs. Go to [arlingtonhspta.com](https://arlingtonhspta.com) for information and guidelines concerning what will be included in the newsletter and what format should be used to send your articles and pictures.

If you should have any questions please contact Lynne at [thisolecat@sbcglobal.net](mailto:thisolecat@sbcglobal.net). If you would like to be added to the contact list for deadline reminders, please send that information to Lynne as well.

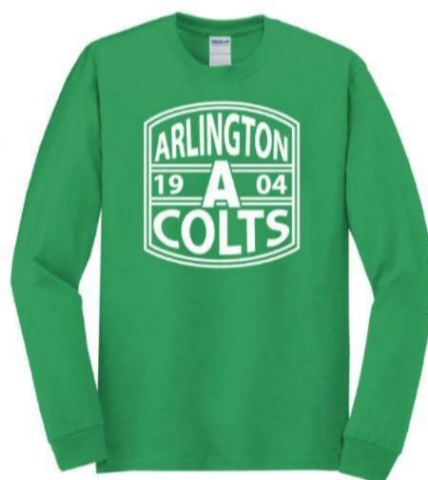
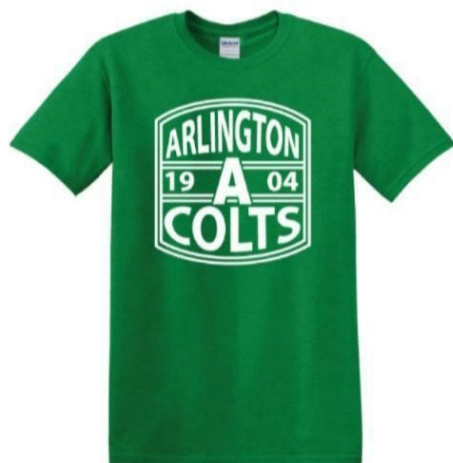
**PTA Newsletter deadline dates: September 25, November 6, January 29, 2021  
April 16, June 11 (summer 2021 edition)**



## AHS PTA Spirit Shirts!

The PTA is offering these shirts for sale through September 9th with pickup options on September 15th and September 17th from 8:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m. or 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at AHS on both days. You also have the option to have the shirts sent to you for a small fee.

To purchase shirts, please go to this link [https://vitshirts.net/ahs\\_ptsas/shop/home](https://vitshirts.net/ahs_ptsas/shop/home)





## Mardi Gras Madness (MGM) 2021 - After Prom Party

Mardi Gras Madness (MGM) is the official PTA After Prom Party put on by the senior parents under the guidelines of the AHS PTA. This year will be the 33rd Mardi Gras Madness. The purpose of MGM is to provide an alcohol and drug free place where our kids can be safe, hang out with their friends, and have fun after the prom. The party begins at midnight after the prom in May and will last until early morning.

AHS hallways and gyms are amazingly transformed by an army of Senior parents into a New Orleans/ Mardi Gras carnival type atmosphere with decorations, games, prizes, food and entertainment, for all of our seniors and their guests.

***Your senior does not have to attend the prom to participate in MGM! All seniors are welcome!***

In order to participate or volunteer in any capacity with MGM, Parents **must** join the AHS PTA. There are no family memberships. If both parents are participating, each parent must join the PTA. Also, if your senior is interested in applying for a PTA scholarship, they must also be a member of the PTA.

As you can imagine, this takes a lot of planning, preparation, time and money. In order to put on a good party, we have a large budget, and it is up to the senior parents to raise this money. Many hands make light tasks.

As soon as we are able, we will hold a senior parent meeting to fill you in on all the details of this event and get things rolling in preparation for this amazing party! In the meantime, please join the PTA at [JoinPTA.org](http://JoinPTA.org) or use the membership form on page 6 of this newsletter.

MGM is working on a 2021 yard sign and a senior shirt. Watch for more information and when to order.

## AHS PTA Scholarships

### Attention Seniors and Parents of Seniors!!

To be eligible for a PTA scholarship this year the **senior student and a parent** MUST be a member of the Arlington High School PTA. You may join the AHS PTA by going to [JoinPTA.org](http://JoinPTA.org) or you can use the PTA membership form on page 6 in this newsletter. The dues are \$10.00 per person. There is a scholarship deadline in December and one in March so please don't wait until the applications are due to join the PTA.



## AHS PTA Website

**[arlingtonhspta.com](http://arlingtonhspta.com)**

The PTA website contains loads of current information including the PTA Membership form, MGM 2021, PTA newsletters, senior scholarship information, current AHS school information, up to date calendar, links to Dr. Dhalla's weekly message and the AHS website, the AISD website, and much, much more!

***Visit this site often to stay informed!!!***



## AHS PTA Membership Form

PTA membership is more important than ever. Our PTA has a number of programs designed to support our students and staff, and recognize important achievements throughout the school year. Membership dues help fund these activities. You may join PTA online at [JoinPTA.org](http://JoinPTA.org) or you may use this form. Complete the form, enclose a check and send it to the address listed at the bottom of the form. Thank you!

### 2020 / 2021 AHS PTA Membership Form

Senior Students **MUST** be a member to be eligible for PTA Scholarships.

Parents of Seniors **MUST** be a member to work Mardl Gras Madness.

**Main Member Name**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone Number**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Email**

\_\_\_\_\_

(Email needed especially for parents of senior students)

Name Joining PTA	Check One		Check One			Student-Grade
	Regular	If Awarded Texas Life Membership	Parent	Student	Teacher/Faculty	

Total Regular Members

x \$10.00 =

Total Life Members

x \$ 7.75 =

Donations to Scholarship Fund

(donation amount)

(Tax deductible donation/Scholarships given to graduating seniors.)

Total

Payment

**Mail checks payable to AHS PTA and mail to**

**P.O. Box 13066 , Arlington, TX 76094**

To be completed by PTA:

Joined by/date: \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_





## Counselor's Corner

The Counselors are very busy getting ready for the students to start school.

What you need to know for to start the school year 2020-2021:

Students, it is important that you check your school email. To do this go to [password.aisd.net](https://password.aisd.net) then login and click on the gmail icon. If you need to change your password, follow the steps in the link below.

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?feature=youtu.be&v=i1bVXGmiR88>

### **Schedule Change Requests (Expires by the Third Week of School)**

<https://forms.gle/qR3ksWUkXgZowVy67>

**For more information concerning the start of school, got to this link to see lots of information in Dr. Dhalla's message:**

<https://www.aisd.net/arlington-high-school/campus-news/2020/08/11/principals-message-august-12-2020/>

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to your counselor.

Beth Hancock	AVID	ehancock@aisd.net
Kevin Nute	Alpha A-B	knute@aisd.net
Susie Hargrove	Alpha C-D	shargrov@aisd.net
Claudine Kemp	Alpha E-Ha	ckemp@aisd.net
Leila Perez	Alpha Hb-Loo	lperez3@aisd.net
LaShea White	Alpha Lop-N	lwhite9@aisd.net
Meggan Horne	Alpha O-Ra	mhorne2@aisd.net
David Poling	Alpha Re-S	dpoling@aisd.net
Brian Richardson	Alpha T-Z	brichar3@aisd.net

AHS Counseling Social Media: please ask your students to join you in following us for scholarship information, dual credit updates, self-care ideas, and general updates!

Facebook: AhsCounseling

Instagram: counselingcolts

Twitter: counselingcolts

For any and all counseling information please go to this link:

<https://www.aisd.net/arlington-high-school/staff/counselors/>



# AVID

## What is AVID? Advancement Via Individual Determination

Are you in 9th or 10th grade?  
Do you want to go to college  
but not sure how?  
Do you want to succeed  
in rigorous courses?  
Request an application to join  
the AVID program at AHS!



- AVID is a system to prepare students in the academic middle for four-year college eligibility. These are students who are capable of completing a college-prep curriculum but may be falling short of their potential.
- Many AVID students are first-generation college bound.
- Almost all AVID students who participate for at least three years are accepted to college, with roughly three quarters getting into four-year universities.
- AVID also helps ensure that students, once accepted to college, possess the higher-level skills they need for college success.



Contact the AHS AVID co-coordinators  
Melanie Patterson at [mpatter2@aisd.net](mailto:mpatter2@aisd.net)  
and Kim Spencer at [kspencer@aisd.net](mailto:kspencer@aisd.net)







## AHS Publications

### Yearbooks – Senior Pictures – Senior Ads – School Pictures

**2020 Yearbooks** – We distributed the 2020 yearbooks with drive-by pick-ups on campus one day in June, one day in July and two days in August. If you still need to pick up your yearbook or if you are interested in purchasing one, please email [emiller5@aisd.net](mailto:emiller5@aisd.net).

**2021 Yearbooks** – We *will* be publishing The Corral Yearbook this year. We recognize how historically important this year will be for everyone to look back on and remember this experience. We are holding over the lowest price of the year through September. Go to [www.yearbookordercenter.com](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com), school code 10016, and order your yearbook today for only \$45. On October 1, the price will increase.

**Submit Your Pictures for the 2021 Yearbook** – With the uncertainty of this year, we welcome you to submit pictures to be considered for use in the yearbook. If you have pictures of your kids doing summer activities, training for their sport, working on virtual classes, practicing their instrument or dance, etc. we would appreciate you sharing them with us. You can upload your pictures at [www.yearbookordercenter.com](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com), school code 10016. Click on “Upload Photos” and follow the instructions. Feel free to submit pictures throughout the year.

**Senior Pictures** – During the summer you should have received information from Prestige Photography by Lifetouch about senior pictures. We usually have picture days on campus during the summer but due to COVID-19 we could not this year. Instead, seniors have the opportunity to go to one of the Prestige studios to have their pictures taken. You must make an appointment, they will not take walk-ins, so go to [www.prestigedfw.com](http://www.prestigedfw.com) to make your appointment. We do have on campus senior picture days scheduled for the fall but if the school ends up being closed, we will have to reschedule those days or cancel them. If you can go to one of the studios, I would highly recommend that. Questions? Please email [emiller5@aisd.net](mailto:emiller5@aisd.net).

**Senior Ads** – Now is the time to look through your senior’s baby photos and pick out the best one to pair with their senior picture in their senior ad. Senior ads are placed in the yearbook, and are a great way to congratulate your child and let them know how proud you are of them. We offer a variety of sizes and prices, for more information go to [www.yearbookordercenter.com](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com), school code 10016, and click on “Senior Ads”. From there you can also design and pay for your senior ad. The deadline to submit your ad is December 11, 2020. Questions? Please email [emiller5@aisd.net](mailto:emiller5@aisd.net).

**School Pictures for 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Graders** – You may have received an email from Lifetouch Photography letting you know that underclassmen picture days are scheduled for August 31 and September 1 – disregard this email. Since we will not be back on campus by then, we will reschedule underclassmen picture days for later in September or early October. As soon as new dates are set, I will send out the information via email, social media and Dr. Dhalla’s weekly messages.

To stay up to date on all things yearbook, photos and newspaper, follow us on Twitter @ahsstumedia, Instagram @ahsstumedia, and Facebook [www.facebook.com/coltyearbook](http://www.facebook.com/coltyearbook).

**Orchestra**

Please join the Orchestra booster club! Membership helps provide for the many scholarships and events for the orchestra students. You may join the booster club using the mail in form or you may use this link.

<https://checkout.square.site/pay/63ef06fca5e0429585b0355b12c00c23>

**Orchestra Booster Club Membership 2020-2021**

We hope that you will consider joining the Orchestra Booster Club this year. Your monetary contribution will be used for scholarships, trip scholarships, lesson scholarships, letter jackets, music, uniforms, clinicians, and student events, among other things.

Please complete this form. Please print carefully!

Parent's Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
(as you would like it listed in the concert program)

Parent email: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25 Family Membership (renewable each year)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100 Lifetime Membership (one time fee good for all 4 years)  
*(please complete and return this form even if you are already a lifetime member)*

\_\_\_\_\_ \$20 Alumni Membership (students who have graduated from the AHS orchestra program) year graduated from AHS \_\_\_\_\_

**As with any organization, volunteers are needed. Although we don't know what activities will be allowed this year, we would like to be prepared when those decisions are made. Please check any areas that might interest you:**

\_\_\_ Uniforms

\_\_\_ Decorations (concerts and UIL)

\_\_\_ UIL helper (serve pizza/drinks)

\_\_\_ Concert Ushers

\_\_\_ Spring Awards Banquet

\_\_\_ Donate cookies

\_\_\_ Trip Chaperone

\_\_\_ Special Events (Turkey Bash, Spring Fling)

\_\_\_ Junior High Cluster/Region (provide food)

\_\_\_ Spirit Sales

\_\_\_ Colonial Golf Tournament fundraiser (May)

\_\_\_ Alliance Air Show (October)

If you should have any questions, please contact the Orchestra Booster Club [ahsorchestrabc@gmail.com](mailto:ahsorchestrabc@gmail.com)

**Mail completed form with payment to AHS Orchestra Booster Club, PO Box 14232, Arlington, TX 76094**

**Please do not send cash. Make checks to AHS Orchestra Booster Club.**

Booster Club Only:

Amount Paid Check: \_\_\_\_\_ ✓ \_\_\_\_\_



## Swimming

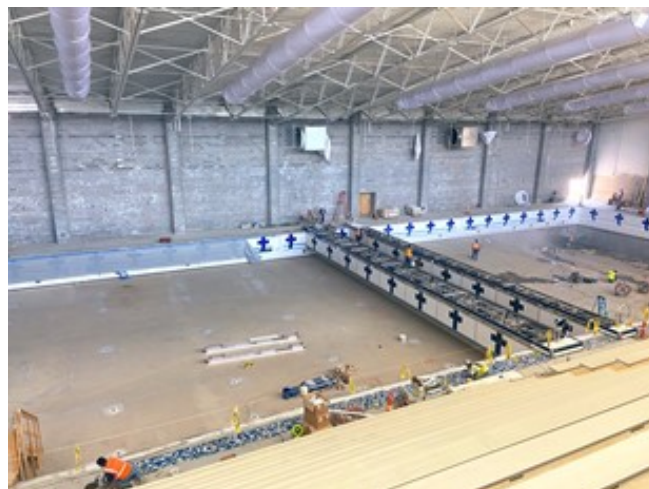


# Welcome Colts!

Come join the AHS Colts Swim Team for the 2020-2021 school year!

Our new pool will be ready for this season in September.

the new AISD Athletic Center  
1101 E. Division St.  
Arlington, TX 76011  
(next to the AT&T Stadium)



Congratulations to Coach Suzanne Dangelmaier. She has accepted the position as the AISD Aquatics Director at the new facility.

Coach Eric Briscoe will be joining our Colts Family. He has many years of coaching experiences. You may have seen him at swim meets. He was previously Sam Houston High School's swim coach.

**School Physicals** — **Any swimmer who did not participate in athletic last year** will need to have a school physical before the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year. Any swimmer who had a physical last year is not required to have a physical this year.

Athletic forms: <https://arlingtonisd.rankonesport.com/New/NewInstructionsPage.aspx>

Fill out the necessary forms

Competition swimsuit will be provided by the coach.

Towel

Cap

Goggles

Water Bottle

Bag

Stay update with the Colts Swim Team's guidelines, schedule & news by following us on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/ahscst/>

Twitter @coltswim

Instagram coltswim

Questions about the new aquatic pool? swim meets? water safety? Contact **Coach Eric Briscoe** at [ebrisco1@aisd.net](mailto:ebrisco1@aisd.net).

**Hope to see you on deck!**



## AHS Bass Fishing Club

### 2020-21 AHS Bass Club Meetings and Tournaments

#### Tournaments

Oct. 3 Lake Ray Hubbard  
Oct. 24 Lake Lewisville  
Nov. 21 Lake Ray Roberts  
Feb. 27 Lake Eagle Mtn.  
March 20 Lake Lavon  
April 17 Lake Lewisville (regionals)  
May 15-16 Lake Texoma (state)

All membership applications to THSBA will be online this year beginning Aug. 15. For questions contact:  
Coach Austin - [aaustin@aisd.net](mailto:aaustin@aisd.net)  
Geni Waldrop - [geni.waldrop@sbcglobal.net](mailto:geni.waldrop@sbcglobal.net)  
To join Remind - 81010  
Text - @ahsbasscl

#### Meeting Dates

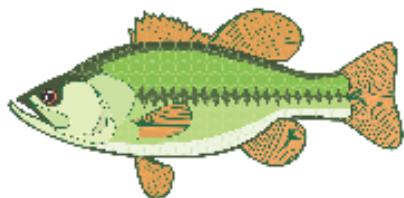
Sept. ?  
Sept. 22  
Oct. 13  
Nov. 10  
Feb. 16  
March 9

April 6

All anglers are responsible for getting their own captain and boat. You are responsible for reading and following all THSBA tournament rules. You must be in good academic standing to fish in any tournament.

There is a membership fee for THSBA, \$60, plus tournament fees, \$60 per tournament.

Club fee is \$25 turned into Coach Austin.

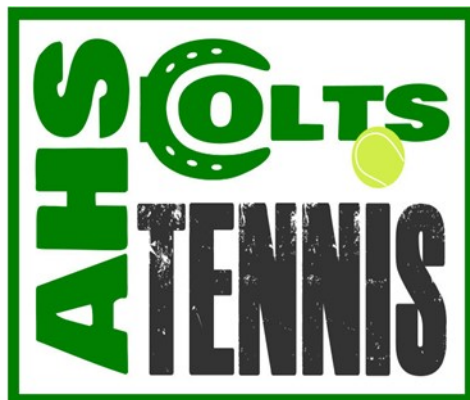


Kick 'em and Catch 'em Colts!





## AHS Tennis



## Join the AHS TENNIS BOOSTER CLUB

E-mail our Booster Club President, Laura Hooton, to get on the e-mail list!

We will have special events and quarterly meetings, GET **INVOLVED** JOIN **TODAY** !!!!!

First General Booster Meeting Date: September 21 at 6:00 p.m. Location: TBD due to Covid-19

Email Laura @ [coltstennisbooster@gmail.com](mailto:coltstennisbooster@gmail.com)

**FALL TEAM SEASON: SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> — OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>**

FIRST MATCH: SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, FIRST DISTRICT MATCH: SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>

Check out our Membership Levels & Colt Spirit wear

[WWW.COLTSTENNISBOOSTER.NET](http://WWW.COLTSTENNISBOOSTER.NET)



Follow **Colt Tennis** on Social Media

FACEBOOK: [Arlington Colt's Tennis Booster](#)

TWITTER: [@Colts\\_Tennis](#)





## AHS Tennis

Arlington High Fall Schedule 2020

### Arlington High Tennis Fall Schedule (Version 3)

Date	Event	Team	Location	Start Time	Bus Leave
9/8/20	Dual vs. Waxahachie	Vars	Home	3:30 PM	N/A
9/10/20	Dual vs. Waxahachie	JV	Waxahachie High	4:30 PM	3:30 PM
9/11/20	Dual vs. Azle	Vars	Home	3:45 PM	N/A
9/11/20	Dual vs. Midlothian Heritage	JV	Midlothian Heritage HS	4:30 PM	3:30 PM
9/15/20	Dual vs. Burleson Centennial	Vars	Burleson Centennial HS	4:30 PM	3:30 PM
9/17/20	Dual vs. Burleson High	JV	Home	3:30 PM	N/A
9/18/20	Dual vs. Burleson High	Vars	Burleson High School	4:30 PM	3:30 PM
9/22/20	Dual vs. Mansfield Legacy	Vars	Mansfield Legacy High	4:15 PM	3:30 PM
9/25/20	Dual vs. Mansfield High	Vars	Mansfield High School	4:20 PM	3:30 PM
9/29/2020	Dual @ Martin	Vars/JV	Martin High / Home	2:30 PM	2:00 PM
10/2/2020	Dual vs. Grand Prairie	Vars/JV	Home	2:30 PM	N/A
10/6/2020	Dual @ Sam Houston	Vars/JV	Sam Houston High	2:30 PM	2:00 PM
10/13/2020	Dual vs. South Grand Prairie	Vars/JV	Home / S. Grand Prairie	3:00 PM	N/A
10/16/2020	Dual @ Lamar	Vars/JV	Lamar High / Home	2:30 PM	2:00 PM
10/20/2020	Dual vs. Bowie	Vars/JV	Home / Bowie High	2:30 PM	N/A

