

"Over this season, I would really like to improve on my serve because I hit the net a lot."
-Sophomore Kenny Johnson

As a young team, this year's boys' tennis program did not seem very successful. As the season progressed great strides were made by each individual player. The team was predominantly underclassmen with several middle schoolers. This may come as a weakness for some teams, but the cougars took this as a strength. With such a young team, the years to come will be filled with experienced and well-rounded players. Getting the basics early is important to any sport that you may come across. The young players add growth to an otherwise smaller program. "I joined the tennis team because I wanted the high school tennis team experience," explained freshman Matthew Crosby. The idea of being apart of a team that is bigger than yourself can be appealing to the young athletes in telling their story.







Eighth grader Thomas Warren rushes to receive the ball from his opponent to defend his side. Several middle school students joined the tennis team this year to improve their skills for years to come. This involvement will help better the program as long as the young athletes stay involved.

Sophomore Tiger Barnes attempts to return the serve to his opponent for a point. "This is my first year playing tennis. My favorite opponent is Battery Creek. With the number of members on the team growing, the years coming will continue to prosper.



Freshman Kenny Johnson remains calm as he returns the ball to his opponent aiming to score a point. "I joined the tennis team because I want to become a pro when I grow up," Kenny proclaimed.

Sophomore Charles Bailey serves the ball to the other team to begin his match. "I've played tennis for three years," Charles explained. This type of experience will help the boys' tennis program grow.



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