The eighth grade Athletic Tennis class is designed for students that have a passion for improving their tennis game and getting ready for the H.S. tennis program. Students should already have a good understanding of the fundamentals, know the rules and how to play a match. They should have been playing in some capacity or been in the 7th Grade Athletic Tennis class. This is NOT a class for beginners – that’s the P.E. tennis class. Points of emphasis in this class will be improving footwork, hitting the ball with top spin, and developing quality volleys and a spin serve as they transition into H.S. level play. Students should have their own racquet and must show up to class daily suited out with the proper tennis attire. Practice is mandatory every school day during 8th period and into the afterschool time designated by the Coach. The season includes approximately 5 after school tennis tournaments (3 Fall/2 Spring) and 6 Team matches in the Spring. The program also includes weekly tennis clinics given by me and the H.S. tennis coaches at Madison and Cooper courts. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at [richard.bryan@abileneisd.org](mailto:richard.bryan@abileneisd.org)

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