

## Munster Park Board:

My name is Eric Roldan and I am the Athletic Director at Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond, IN. I am writing to you today to inquire about the possibility of our girls tennis team using your tennis courts at Grove Park to practice this spring.

Bishop Noll Institute has a rich history and tradition when it comes to our athletic programs. However, certain programs like tennis have not had a "home facility" due to limited space on our school grounds. For decades, we have gratefully relied on the generosity of other schools and organizations around the area to house our tennis programs, allowing them to practice during their respective seasons.

Due to COVID, many schools and organizations have placed a hold on allowing outside use of their facilities. For the ones that are allowing outside parties, the fees required to use the facility are far too expensive for our school to afford. We understand fully the trying times everyone is facing during this pandemic. However, providing an opportunity for student-athletes to compete plays a critical role in their physical, mental and emotional well-being, which is something that is needed now more than ever before.

We are asking for your consideration to allow our girls tennis team to practice at the tennis courts at Grove Park on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. beginning March 15th and continuing through the end of May. Please know we are also willing to be as flexible as possible with practice days and times to help make this work. Also, we would ask that you please consider waiving the fees or allowing for any level of reduction in the overall cost.

If there is anything we can offer that would help in this request, please let us know. With last year's spring season canceled due to COVID-19, we will be willing to do whatever is necessary to ensure our team of 30 tennis players will have the opportunity to compete this spring.

On behalf of the entire Bishop Noll Institute family, I sincerely thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Eric Roldan

Lorenza Pastrick

Athletic Director

Principal