

OPEN COURT



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A Message from the Director of Parks

The Office of Parks is preparing for a safe and fun-filled summer of tennis.

As Atlantans and Camp Best Friends participants prepare to hit the courts this summer to enjoy our tennis facilities, our parks and recreation teams are working hard to ensure our amenities are functional, aesthetically pleasing, and most of all: SAFE.

We are continuing to make improvements to our tennis facilities and amenities by resurfacing our courts, reimaging our landscape designs, adding new outdoor seating, and improving our outdoor lighting on courts.

The Office of Parks is committed to providing world-class service and exceptional service to all Atlantans. We are "Moving Atlanta Forward."

Note: To report maintenance or safety issues, please call or email www.parkscustomerservice@atlantaga.gov or 404.546.6813 because we care.

Quentin Moore



CBF Campers on the Courts



Every Monday through Thursday, Atlanta youth engage in tennis at the Washington Park Tennis Center in Northwest Atlanta. Campers are learning the basics as well as team-building activities in tennis.



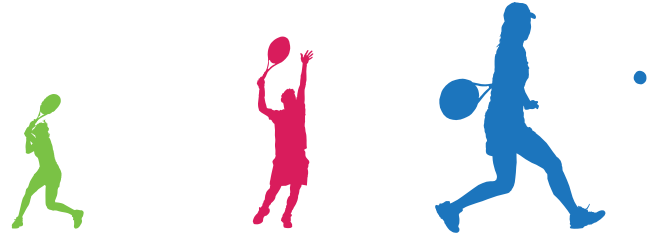
AMP UP YOUR TENNIS GAME

Here's an advanced technique for intermediate players to try. It's called the middle-approach shot. The approach shot is the best shot to use for short balls that fall around the middle of the court. Approach shots generally work best when you perform them at a cross-court angle, or perfectly down-the-line. However, angles create angles, and there are times when keeping your ball deep and to the center can be an efficient weapon against your opponent. If you can direct your approach shot deep down the middle of the court as you approach the net, it forces the other player to hit at an extreme angle to pass you, making their shot more predictable from the center position. They may also attempt

to hit a well-positioned lob while pushed onto their back foot, making your put-away much easier. Adding an approach shot to your arsenal will take your game to the next level.

Masterclass Staff (November 8, 2020) 11 Advanced Tennis Techniques to Raise Your Tennis Skill Level. Masterclass.

<https://www.masterclass.com/articles/advanced-tennis-techniques-to-raise-your-tennis-skill-level#11-advanced-tennis-techniques>



Servicing Our Courts

We are proud to introduce ServAce. This newly added service vehicle will help groom and maintain our HarTru courts.

REPAIR UPDATE



We're making progress with the resurfacing of courts and installation of nets at Sharon Lester @ Piedmont Park. Thanks for your continued patience.

TENNIS COURTS OPEN DAILY

DAILY 6 a.m. – 11 p.m.
All COA tennis courts at our parks across the city

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Bitsy Grant, Chastain Memorial and Sharon Lester @ Piedmont Park

MONDAY - FRIDAY 1 – 9 p.m.
Washington Park and Joseph McGhee

SATURDAY 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
All Tennis Centers

SUNDAY 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.
All Tennis Centers

 Elections are June 21. Courts at Joseph McGhee and soft courts at Bitsy Grant will be unavailable.

SEND US YOUR STORY!



If you have a tennis story, accomplishment, celebration or picture you'd like featured in *Open Court*, we want to hear from you! Email Phillip Smith at pesmith@atlantaga.gov.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

In observance of the Juneteenth and Independence Day holidays, the City of Atlanta Department of Parks and Recreation will be closed June 19 & 20 and July 4.

**FALL
LEAGUE
SELECTIONS
COMING
SOON!**



Random selections will be announced via Zoom, Thursday, June 23 @ 7 p.m. Confirmations will be sent via email by June 28.

ALTA / USTA team captains with questions may contact our team via email only:

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JOIN OUR ONLINE COMMUNITY

Join us on Zoom in July for our quarterly tennis community meetings! Its a great way to connect with other players, talk to us directly and share your ideas. Join the meeting of your choice and bring a friend! SCAN the QR code and join the conversation.

Tuesday, July 12 – Chastain @ 6:30 p.m., Joseph McGhee @ 7:00 p.m. & Bitsy Grant @ 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 19 – Sharon Lester at Piedmont Park @ 1:00 p.m. & Washington @ 6:30 p.m.

For questions, call 404.546.6788



GOODBYE KOURTS

Kourts is changing to Playtomic. Change goes into effect July 1. Stay connected with us for updates.



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