



Kalei Christensen

Covington Catholic High School



Covington Catholic High School has a two-time state tennis champion in senior Kalei Christensen, who, as a sophomore and junior, won the Kentucky Class 2A state doubles tennis title with partner and classmate Alex Yeager. They are the only duo in school history to win back-to-back state tennis titles, plus they led the Colonels to a state team title. The duo went 26-0 last season and defeated in resounding fashion Louisville St. Xavier 6-0, 6-1 to win the state title.

Kalei and Alex are playing for a high school with a solid tennis tradition – Colonels' teams have won 25 regional team tennis titles. Kalei is a two-time Greater Cincinnati Doubles Player of the Year and also a two-time all-state performer. "Kalei has been our team's spark plug," says his varsity head coach, Al Hertsenberg. "He is the one who cheers on his teammates and often organizes team-building activities. Our successes over the past few years are due to his energy and leadership."

A good student who is active in community service, Kalei will continue his tennis play at the next level at Butler University. In his spare time, Kalei enjoys playing golf and basketball, being a Spirit Leader for basketball games, being a student ambassador, and a school column leader. He is playing a mix of singles (5-1) and doubles (8-0) this season and recently won another regional doubles title, this time with partner Blake Hussey, a sophomore.

His favorite athlete is LeBron James, favorite entertainer is Shane Gillis, favorite book is The Great Gatsby, favorite movie is Happy Gilmore and most-like-to-meet is Roger Federer.



NAME: Kalei Christensen

GRADUATING YEAR: 2025

SCHOOL: Covington Catholic
High School

SPORT: Tennis

HEIGHT: 6'1" - 200 lbs.

PARENTS: Keoni & Michelle

INFLUENCE: "My dad."

GOAL: Graduate college with a
degree in Finance

"Kalei's accomplishments on the court, along with his classmate Alex Yeager, have helped our program rise to a new level. Kalei works hard while he encourages the younger players to use every practice to improve."

- Al Hertsenberg, Varsity Tennis Coach

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