

1) Name: Robert Stineman

2) New Trier sport: Tennis

3) Suburb you lived in (when you went to New Trier): Winnetka

4) What year did you graduate New Trier: 2011

5) Where do you live now: Old Town, Chicago

6) Who was your coach: Tad Eckert

7) HS sports accomplishments/awards/honors :

- 2-time team state champion (2010, 2011)
- 2-time singles state champion (2010, 2011)
- Doubles third place finisher (2008)
- Team captain (2011)

8) Favorite high school *individual sports* memory:

Hitting two backfoot, overhead winners in a row to go up 6-5 in the second set tiebreaker of the 2010 state championship match. Then, sealing the deal and celebrating by sprint-jumping to the net to shake hands. Also, playing in the starting state lineup as a tiny Freshman.

9) Favorite high school *team* memory:

Team gutting it out for our first state championship in 2010:

Brantner Jones breaking his hand and winning two matches in the backdraw, doubles teams grinding in the backdraw and for third place

10) Who was your biggest team rival or individual rival in HS, and where did they go to school?

Hinsdale Central. Too many great players to single out an individual rival

11) Favorite class and/or teacher at NT:

Craig Fairbairn, my Advisor for 4 years and my dad's high school Basketball coach!

12) Where did you attend college: Stanford

13) Compare your HS sports experience to your college experience:

College was a souped-up version of high school: higher intensity, bigger and louder crowds, and incredible levels of competition across the board.

14) College sports accomplishments:

- All American (2015)

- Captain (2015)
- Athletic Board Captain's Award Winner (2015)
- Athletic Board Sports Performance Award Winner (2015)
- Pac-12 All Academic First Team (2013, 2014, 2015)
- ITA Scholar Athlete (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)

15) Favorite college sports moments:

- Beating USC and UCLA back-to-back at home in front of a full crowd; we all dog-piled after the second match
- Winning my first two college matches on the road in a hostile environment
- Playing my first NCAA tournament in Athens, Georgia and beating Kentucky for the second time that season

16) Area of study: Chemistry

17) What do you do now?

Head of Hospital Strategy for ExplORer Surgical, a Series A, venture-backed healthcare software start-up.

18) If you could go back in time and give yourself advice/wisdom as you are starting Freshman year at New Trier, what would that advice be?

Make confident decisions that leave you with no regrets.

19) What would you do differently if you could do it again?

I always try to make decisions that I can stand by, which is a valuable lesson in and of itself, so I would not do anything differently.





