

Youth Tennis Pathway



Positive First Experience



Achieve your school's health and wellness goals through tennis! No courts are required and schools can effectively offer PE with tennis sized right for age and ability.

Who: PE Teachers

Materials Provided: Schools curriculum and equipment.

Benefits: Register as a USTA Organizational Member and receive a curriculum guide (valued at \$50) or register 5 schools from one district to receive an equipment kit. This includes 36 racquets, 4 dozen foam balls, tennis tape and a carry all.

Where: Gym, playground, blacktop, cafeteria – No tennis courts required!



A USTA Kids' Tennis Club is the first taste of the tennis for any youth wanting to have fun with their friends, sample tennis, and develop a passion for the game.

Who: Non-professional to professional

Materials Provided: Kids' Tennis Club Play Book equipped with games that will help you prepare for your KTC.

Benefits: Free Equipment! (36 10U balls, 12 racquets and tennis tape) Start-up folder, online training, bag tags, and player play books.

Where: Kids' Tennis Clubs can be on a play ground, in an after school program, a tennis center or any children's program that needs a fitness component.

Informal Competition



An introduction to competitive play. Kids get comfortable competing in a low pressure setting so they can transition to team tennis and tournaments.

Who: Anyone with access to tennis courts.

Materials Provided: Organizers Play Day Manual that takes you through set-up, different scoring options and other helpful tips.

Benefits: Visibility on www.youthtennis.com, downloadable customizable marketing materials (posters, flyers, etc) to promote your event, downloadable play rotation sheets and various certificates for participants

Where: Tennis courts or any open space that a court(s) can be set-up (gym, blacktop, etc.)



Hot Shots is the innovative new team based play format that has kids of all levels playing tennis and having fun!

Who: PE Teachers, parents, after school providers, PTAs, tennis facilities – ANYONE!

Benefits: Stipend for the Commissioner of Play, an Equipment package up to \$500 (they choose what they need), Training, Play Plan, and kids receive t-shirt.

Materials Provided: Play Plan, equipment

Where: Playground, blacktop, cafeteria, gym, tennis courts, tennis facility.

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Formal Competition



- 6 to 8 week program
- Team practice and match play for boys and girls.
- Singles, doubles, and mixed doubles.
- Membership based program that allows access to TennisLink where scores, stats, and standings can be recorded and found.

Who can run a JTT: Anybody can create a JTT team. As long as an individual has been cleared by our background check safe play policy, he/she can create as many teams as they'd like to.

Materials Provided: Each JTT coach will attend a pre-season meeting and will be given a coaches packets . Rules, regulations, and a "how to" for coaches will be provided by the area league coordinator.