

# The Team Spirit Award

The *Team Spirit Award* will be given to the team that highly exemplifies team spirit throughout the course of the Junior Team Tennis State Championships. There will be plenty of opportunities for teams to show their spirit and have some fun! We want everyone to enjoy themselves, and remember there is no “I” in T-E-A-M!

Teams will be judged on participation. The following are ideas to celebrate your team.

1. **Team Identity** – How will we know you are a member of your team? Will it be team colors, team shirts, team socks? Show us your team spirit – think visual!
2. **Team Poster** – Create a team poster that exemplifies what your team is about!
3. **Car Decorations** – The teams with decorated cars for State will receive points. Make sure your team name is on the car so we know who to give credit!
4. **Team Cheer/Chant/Dance** – Come up with a cheer, song or dance that shows your team’s energy and spirit!
5. **Social Media** – Interact with our JTT Championships Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/USTAArkansas/>

## Scoring System

Team will be awarded points on the five categories described above. Each category is assigned a maximum and base point value. *The maximum possible points for all combined categories is 100.*

## Category Breakdown

1. **Team Car Decoration (15-30 points)** – Each team will designate one car as their “team car” to be judged. Decorate the car however you like, just be sure to include your team name and JTT Champs somewhere! The more colorful, creative and funny, the better! (Note: Your team can decorate as many cars as you like, just choose your best one for judging!)
2. **Team Identity (15-25 points)** – How will we know you are a member of your team? Will it be team colors, team shirts, team socks? Show us your team spirit – think visual!
3. **Team Cheer (10-20 points)** – Come up with a cheer, song or dance that shows your team’s energy and spirit! Creative tennis parodies of popular songs are certainly encouraged, or you can arrange your own original tune. Perform yours at media tent any time on Saturday. (Note: *At least two team members must perform* to receive points in this category.)
4. **Team Poster (5-15 points)** – Create and designate one team poster that exemplifies what your team is about! Creative use of tennis equipment is encouraged! (Note: Again, make as many posters as you want, just choose your best one for judging!)

5. **Team Social Media Participation (0-10 points)** – Each team will have their team photograph uploaded on the USTA Arkansas Jr. Team Tennis Facebook page. Get 10 “likes” on your team’s photograph to receive full credit for social media participation!

**Tiebreaker**

In the event of a tie for first place, a tiebreaker will be put in effect to determine a winner.

- **Tiebreaker: Social Media**
  - The team with the highest number of “likes” on their team photo on the Arkansas JTT Facebook page wins.

**How to Participate**

*When your team is ready to be judged on any of the five categories, visit the Media Tent located near Stadium Court. You will be asked to fill out a Team Spirit Form. You will complete categories as you wish and may come back as many times as necessary to be judged on all 5 categories.*

**REMEMBER...**show your team spirit, receive points, and most importantly, have fun! The team with the most points after Saturday’s matches will receive the Team Spirit Award.