



USTA Arkansas Teaching Pro's Educational Fund

Purpose:

Assistance provided by the Arkansas Tennis Association to assist teaching pro's to become USPTA or USPTR certified or to provide continuing education to certified teaching pros.

A pro may submit multiple applications for the grant; however they may only receive one grant per year. The maximum grant that may be requested to attend a training event is \$500. A facility may only receive two awards through this program; however the awards cannot be for the facility professionals to attend the same training event. It is anticipated that \$1500 will be available each year for this statewide initiative.

Requirements:

- The applicant must be a USTA member.
- The applicant must send a written request for the teaching pro's education grant at least 2 weeks prior to the program for which reimbursement is requested. Applications must include documentation that describes the training event (i.e. Brochure), cost of the training and a short explanation (approx 250 words) explaining why the applicant would like to attend the program. Requests for hotel reimbursement must be submitted with the grant application and will be reviewed for distance from training and time at which event begins.
- Applicant must be USPTA or USPTR certified or requesting reimbursement to attend a USPTA or USPTR training program to become certified. Reimbursement will not be approved for annual dues
- Applicant must be a full-time teaching pro and through their facility, the applicant must host a minimum of three USTA programs, one of which must be USTA Junior Team Tennis.
- Only training offered by USPTA, USPTR or USTA qualify for the grant.
- Applications must be sent to Deanna@arktennis.com for approval.

Reimbursement:

- Following completion of the training, the tennis professional must write a short narrative report (approximately 250 words) on what new information was obtained at the training that can be passed on to other teaching professionals. This report must be submitted to the ATA within one month from the date of the training event.
- For reimbursement, all receipts must be submitted to the ATA within one month from the date of the training event.