***Most Outstanding School***

Award period: 1 March 2023 – 29 February 2024

Eligibility criteria

The school must demonstrate:

* Tennis is incorporated into the health and physical education curriculum via the School Partnership Program or other means
* Connection with the local tennis community
* Has no matters impacting on the suitability of the nominee as per Tennis Australia Integrity records

The school must not be the winner of the 2023 Victorian Tennis Award – Most Outstanding School

Assessment criteria

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing nominations:

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| **No.** | **Description** |
| 1 | How committed and active the school has been in demonstrating the integration of tennis into the school environment including teachers and the overall experience of students involved in the program. Where applicable, demonstrate where you have modified the program to allow the inclusion of children with disabilities and other underrepresented groups to participate. |
| 2 | How the school fosters their relationship with the local club/and coach and how they promote these opportunities to the school community to allow for ongoing participation at the local club. |
| 3 | Consideration given to the involvement of the school in school competition, including intra school, gala days and performance of the school in respective team tennis competition |

**All** nominations for the 2024 Victorian Community Tennis Awards are to be submitted online via the [Tennis Victoria website](https://www.tennis.com.au/vic/victoriantennisawards).

**The form on page 3 of this document can be used to collate your nomination information before submitting online. The online submission will not save your information as you go and must be completed in one attempt. Please note word restrictions are in place to keep nominations succinct.**

Only information provided via the online nomination portal and the supporting information attached to the submission will be considered by the selection panel. A maximum of three (3) attachments may be submitted. One **must** be a high-resolution photo of the nominee. If the nomination is named as a finalist, this image will be used for event collateral related to the Victorian Community Tennis Awards.

Tennis Victoria reserves the right to submit nominations for each award category.

All decisions in relation to the 2024 Victorian Community Tennis Awards (including any questions in relation to eligibility) will be determined by the selection panel in its absolute discretion. All decisions are final, and no correspondence will be entered into.

Timeline

* The award period is 1 March 2023 – 29 February 2024
* Nominations Open – Thursday 29 February
* Nominations Close – 10am Tuesday 2 April 2024
* All finalists will be notified in writing by Monday 29 April 2024
* Awards will be presented at the Victorian Community Tennis Awards on Thursday 23 May 2024

Requirements of award recipients

Finalists will be entitled to two (2) free of charge tickets to attend the Victorian Community Tennis Awards event. Further tickets will be available for purchase subject to capacity.

Successful recipients may be required to participate in marketing and promotional activities in the 12 months following the award.

The winner of this award will be nominated for the national Most Outstanding School award to be presented at the 2024 Newcombe Medal (Australian Tennis Awards).

***Nomination form***

Please use the below to collate your responses addressing the criteria before completing online. The online portal will not save responses as you go, so collating answers first and then pasting into the online form will assist with your submission.

Please limit responses to strictly 200 words per criteria. The online portal will not accept entries outside of these parameters.

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| **Connected local club and coach:** |  | |
| **What year levels is tennis offered to at your school?** |  | **Number of participants:** |

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| 1. Please click which are relevant to you below.   Sporting Schools  Positive Start  Active Schools  Club Connect   1. How they support tennis in your school. |
| 2 | How the school fosters their relationship with the local club/and coach and how they promote these opportunities to the school community to allow for ongoing participation at the local club. |
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| 3 | Consideration given to the involvement of the school in school competition, including intra school,  gala days and performance of the school in respective team tennis competition |
| SSV 5/6 inter school Red Ball competition  Intra School Gala Days  MDF Cup  Yellow Ball/ Bruce Cup / Pizzey Cup / Team Tennis representation  Local Association Competition  Other (please specify below) |
| 4 | Tell us why your school is the best Tennis School in Victoria |
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\*\* Complete responses in space provided before pasting into the online submission portal. Two (2) additional supporting documents and one (1) nominee image may be attached separately in the online submission\*\*