

MOST OUTSTANDING SCHOOL

Schools play an important role in the tennis community by introducing primary and secondary students to tennis and providing links to their local club and coach. This award recognises schools that have aligned with a Tennis Australia qualified coach, have a dedicated staff member assigned to tennis, have strong links with the local club and coach and have incorporated tennis part of the curriculum.

Eligibility Criteria:

To be eligible for consideration, the nominee must:

- Have a current Tennis Australia qualified coach member aligned to the school;
- Have a dedicated staff member assigned to tennis (teacher ambassador);
- Deliver ANZ Tennis Hot Shots in the school by an official coach or teacher (if appropriate – primary school); including the three core components:
 - Reflects the “learning through play” philosophy (as per 2014-15 ANZTHS Coach manual)
 - Uses of scaled equipment and courts (i.e. smaller courts, racquets and low compression balls)
 - Provides a developmental pathway with red, orange and green progressive stages demonstrate a link with the local Community Tennis Officer and the Tennis Australia State Member Association
- Actively develop strong links between the school, TA coach member and local affiliated club.
- Provide opportunities for players to compete in relevant competition formats and external opportunities
- Demonstrate students are part of the Tennis Australia National Pathway (if appropriate); and
- Demonstrate tennis is incorporated into the school health and physical education curriculum

All entries must provide the following media to support their submission:

- Three (3) high-resolution photos (in RAW format or TIFF/JPEG in highest file size possible)

Selection Criteria

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

1. The overall quality in the delivery of the program with regards to organisation and structure
2. How active the school is with initiatives that have been set up to enhance the sport at a local level
3. How the school connects with and provides a pathway in development and links to the Tennis Australia pathway
4. Consideration given to the performance of the school in the respective team tennis competition
5. Consideration given to the athletes of the school and their individual results
6. Consideration given to the overall tennis pathway through the school from P-12 (if applicable).

- 7 Part of the National School Partnership program (NSPP) (if applicable)
- 8 Number of teachers who have attended tennis professional development workshops
- 9 School website and reference to tennis
- 10 Video of tennis sessions – red, orange and green skill development in the curriculum
- 11 Video of intra and/or inter school competition play
- 12 Systems in place to transfer players from the school to the coach and club program
- 13 Contribution to the local tennis club/community

Selection Process

Only information provided by the nominee with their nomination form will be considered by the selection panel. Nominees should attach any relevant additional information with their nomination form.

All decisions in relation to the Most Outstanding School award 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. Any matters which arise and which are not covered in this document will be determined by the selection panel in consultation with Tennis West Management

Timeline

- Nominations open - 30 June 2015
- Nominations close – 30 August 2015
- Nominations are valid for the 2014/15 tennis season
- The WA Tennis Industry Awards Night will be held on Friday 9 October 2015

Requirements of Award Recipients

Successful recipients will be required to fulfil the following:

- Prepare an article for the Tennis West website and 'My School', a section in the Australian Tennis Magazine dedicated to Tennis Australia schools. Tennis West will provide editorial assistance.

Return Nomination to:

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Attn: Elle Mazza
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Email: emazza@tennis.com.au

Nominations due by 5pm, 30 August 2015.

(Please note: If email nominations are sent with large size attachments, please send a separate email advising that the nomination has been sent. Tennis West can then contact you if the email is not received)