## 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 as part of the curriculum.

# **Eligibility Criteria**

To be eligible for consideration, the school must demonstrate:

- Tennis is incorporated into the health and physical education curriculum via the School Partnership program or other means
- A Tennis Australia qualified coach is connected with the school
- Tennis is supported by the principal and driven by the teacher
- The school can demonstrate a link between the school, coach and local club
- Intra and/or inter school competition pathway is being delivered

The nomination may come from the school involved in the program, a Tennis Australia qualified coach, Tennis Australia registered ANZ Tennis Hot Shots provider, parent of the school, or a State Tennis Association.

## **Selection Criteria**

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

- Demonstration the school has embraced Tennis as a sport of choice in their school, involving teachers (professional development, implementation and relationship building with external partners) and students (leadership values, registration and enthusiasm for the sport)
- How the school demonstrates the importance and value of health and physical education within the school
- How active the school has been with initiatives which have been set up to enhance the sport at a local level
- The overall experience by the students involved in the program
- Demonstration of an increase in the number of students participating and then going onto local community based programs
- How the school promotes and communicates messages to the school and community around their participation in tennis
- Where applicable, demonstration of program modification to allow the inclusion of children with disabilities and other underrepresented groups to participate.
- Consideration given to the performance of the school in the respective team tennis competition
- Consideration given to the overall tennis pathway through the school from P-12 (if applicable).

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 Process**

Only information provided by the nominee with their online nomination form will be considered by the selection panel. Nominees should attach any relevant additional information with their online 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 Thursday 22 July 2021
- Nominations close Friday 27 August 2021
- Given the cancellation of the 2020 WA Tennis Industry Awards Night due to COVID-19, nominations are valid for the 2019/20 and 2020/21 tennis season (i.e. August 2019 July 2021)
- The WA Tennis Industry Awards Night will be held on Friday 8 October 2021
- Winners of their respective categories at the WA Tennis Industry Awards will be nominated for the Newcombe Medal Australian Tennis Awards in late October.
- Newcombe Medal TBA December 2021

# Requirements of Award Recipients

Successful recipients will be required to fulfil the following:

- Participate in marketing and promotional activities in the 12 months following the award
- Prepare an article for the Tennis West website and a section in the Australian Tennis Magazine. Tennis West will provide editorial assistance.

#### **Nomination Submission**

Nominations will be accepted **online only** and should be submitted to Tennis West via Survey Monkey: <a href="https://www.surveymonkev.com/r/2021AwardsNomination">https://www.surveymonkev.com/r/2021AwardsNomination</a>

Nominations should include:

- Executive Summary (approximately 200 words) briefly summarise the key points of the Nomination Report.
- Nomination Report (no more than three A4 typed pages, minimum of 10 point font) this should address all Selection Criteria for the award.
- Supporting Documents, if applicable (maximum of three pages) as relevant to the award, e.g. letter of endorsement, posters/flyers, program information.
- Supporting Photographs, if applicable (min of three high resolution photos).

#### Nominations are due by 5pm Friday, 27 August 2021

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