

## Selection criteria and process

### Eligibility criteria

The school must demonstrate:

- a Tennis Australia qualified coach is aligned to the school;
- it has a dedicated staff member assigned to tennis;
- tennis is supported by the principal and driven by the teacher;
- ANZ Tennis Hot Shots or Cardio Tennis is incorporated in the school curriculum (if appropriate);
- there is a link with the Community Tennis Officer and the Tennis Australia State Tennis Association;
- it is an official National School Partnership Program venue (if appropriate) or demonstrates links between the school, coach and local club;
- intra and/or inter school competition pathway is being delivered;
- students are part of the [Tennis Australia National Pathway](#) (if appropriate); and

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 give consideration to the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- how committed and active the school has been in demonstrating their embracement of tennis into the school environment including teachers (professional development, implementation and relationship building with external partners) and students (leadership values, registration and enthusiasm for the sport)
- 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 student 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 provides a pathway for opportunities to go to the next level (community, competition and elite);
- consideration given to the performance of the school in the respective team tennis competition;
- consideration given to the athletes of the school (if applicable) and their individual results; and
- consideration given to the overall tennis pathway through the school from P-12 (if applicable).

All entries must supply a minimum of three high-resolution photos and/or video footage supporting their nomination.

### Selection process

The selection panel will be made up of the following:

- Manager Schools
- Manager Participation Partnerships
- Tennis Australia Coach Development Manager
- Member Association representative

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 Australia Management.

## *Timeline*

- Nominations close – 1 September 2015
- The award period is from 30 September 2014 to 31 August 2015
- The Awards Night will be held in Melbourne on 23 November 2015

## *Requirements of award recipients*

The successful recipients will be required to fulfill the following items upon reasonable request:

- participate in marketing and promotional activities in the 12 months following the award;
- prepare an article for the Australian Tennis Magazine. Tennis Australia will provide editorial assistance.