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NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the 2013 USTA Tennis On Campus National Championship!

Provided below is information you will need to ensure this event is a success for you and your team. It is imperative that you review all of the information and share this information with your entire team.

Please contact Valerie McCutchan at Valerie@nirsa.org or (541) 766-8211 immediately if for some reason your team **cannot** attend the tournament. Teams that do not show for the tournament will be “sanctioned” and NOT be allowed in future National Championships.

Home Page Access - The USTA Tennis On Campus National Championship home page will be updated with scores and other information daily. Make sure your school newspaper’s sports editor, friends and family have the web address so they can follow the tournament: <http://www.tennisoncampus.com>.

Playing Venues - Matches will be held at two locations: Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex, 14469 West Paradise Lane, Surprise, AZ and Valley Vista High School, 15550 N Parkview Place, Surprise, AZ.

Schedule - Play will begin on Thursday morning at 8:00 a.m. SHARP! The schedule will be posted on <http://www.tennisoncampus.com> on April 4th. Be sure to check the master schedule at Tournament Headquarters on Thursday, April 11th to find out if any schedule changes have occurred. Teams will play seven matches (if all teams show up to scheduled matches), so plan accordingly. ALL teams will play on Saturday.

Remember - All players on the roster must have played in two events representing their team/school in the same academic year and prior to the USTA Tennis On Campus National Championship. An event is considered a dual match, a tournament, or a USTA Tennis On Campus Section Championship. Please use the attached History Play Form to record each player’s matches.

Player Certification Form—Was emailed to all team representatives. Bring this form with you to Arizona. If your club team is not part of Recreational Sports, Athletics or Student Services, contact Valerie@nirsa.org to arrange alternate University approved signature. You MUST have University approval to attend this event.

Player Forms (1 - NIRSA Waiver/Release 2 - Code of Conduct 3 - USTA Personal Release) - All participants will be required to sign a Waiver, Personal Release and a player "Code of Conduct" form. These forms are included with this email. Make copies and **bring the completed and signed forms to team check-in**. Do not mail the forms to the NIRSA National Center. **Each participant is required to have health insurance**. The Personal Release Form allows USTA, NIRSA, WTT, and ITA to use the photos from this Championship event. Teams will not be allowed to play any matches unless all members fill out and sign all three forms.

Photo ID – A photocopy of a driver’s license, student ID, or other form of photo identification is required for all team members. Please photocopy **all IDs together on one sheet of paper** and bring it to the team check-in.

Team Check-In - Registration for all teams will take place at the Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex from **5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.** on Wednesday, April 10. Only one person from each team is needed to check in the entire team. **All forms MUST be turned in on Wednesday evening during check-in:** Player Enrollment Certification Form, Code of Conduct, NIRSA Waiver/Release, USTA Personal Release, match history of roster players and photocopy of photo IDs.

Inclement Weather - Please note that the tournament format, number of matches, and match length may change due to a team not showing up or circumstances beyond our control, such as weather. Surprise generally has warm, dry weather during the month of April, however, rain could cause delays, modifications to the format, and possible cancellation of the tournament. There are **NO** back-up courts; the Surprise area does not have indoor courts where we can move the event in case of rain. **If there is a rain delay, teams that are scheduled on the court will be responsible to squeegee the court they play on - one court per team. Teams that fail to dry a court will forfeit one of their singles matches with a score 6-0.**

Practice Courts – Practice courts will be available for reservation on Wednesday, April 10 from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex. Please email Valerie@nirsa.org to reserve court time.

Official Merchandise – Back by popular demand, Official USTA Tennis On Campus National Championship Merchandise will be on sale throughout the tournament. Check out this exclusive limited edition apparel line for yourself or purchase a souvenir for your teammates, friends or family.

Mandatory Team Rep/Coaches Meeting - All coaches/team representatives are required to attend a meeting on Wednesday, April 10 at **7:00 p.m.** at the Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex. This meeting should last about an hour and will cover important information about the tournament. Each team **MUST** have at least one representative at this meeting. If you have flights/delays/driving problems on Wednesday and are unable to make the mandatory meeting on time, call Valerie at (541) 766-8211 or email Valerie@nirsa.org to let her know you will be arriving late.

Rules – The World TeamTennis rules can be found [here](#). A player may play in only two sets per match, whether as a starter or a substitute (excluding the Supertiebreaker). If you have questions about the rules, please bring them to the coaches meeting. These rules were used for the 2002 - 2012 Championships. If you haven't attended a USTA Tennis On Campus National Championship, please read the rules carefully before your first match and make the rules available to all teammates.

Format – The structure of the tournament will be 16 four-team pools playing round robin matches within the pool on Thursday. The first-place team in each pool will be placed in the Gold bracket, and play for the National Championship; the second-place team in the pool will advance to the Silver bracket; the third-place team in the pool will advance to the Bronze bracket; and the fourth-place team in the pool will advance to the Copper bracket. This will be reviewed at the Team Rep/Coaches meeting on Wednesday evening. **Any teams that are tied at the end of pool play should return to the Tournament Desk on Thursday evening at 8:30 p.m. or refer to the back of the scorecard for Tie Breaker process to identify their playoff bracket.**

Photo ID Checks – A photo ID check will be done at your first scheduled match, and periodically throughout the tournament. **BRING YOUR ID WITH YOU TO EVERY MATCH!!** Make sure all of your players have their IDs before you leave for the Championship, and before you depart your hotel each morning!

Athletic Trainer - There will be an athletic trainer on-site to assist with athletic injuries. They will have access to ice. **Please bring your own tape and pre-wrap for chronic injuries.**

Hot Line Number - If someone in your family has an emergency and needs to get a message to you, they can call the Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex (623) 222-2400 or email Valerie@nirsa.org.

Team Sportsmanship Award – A special award will be given to the team that showcases the true spirit of the sportsmanship ideal. Captains from each team will be asked to cast a vote for the team that best exemplifies and exhibits fundamental values: respect, fairness, civility, honesty and responsibility. These votes will be considered along with the votes from the Awards Panel to determine the honorees.

Individual Sportsmanship Recognition- Great sports make a sport great! This year we want to emphasize the importance of good sportsmanship not only among teams but also on an individual level. We ask teams to recognize opponents who handle victory and defeat with grace and dignity and treat opponents with fairness and courtesy. Captains will be given two sportsmanship pins upon check in and will be able to reward

opponents who exemplify good sportsmanship during a match. All players who receive pins will be recognized at the Awards Banquet.

Food – Snacks, assorted drinks can be found in the Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex clubhouse and “*Its All Good BBQ*” will have grilled hamburgers, hot dogs and chicken sandwiches available for sale throughout the event.

Player Banquet/Awards Ceremony - All team members are invited to a player banquet and awards ceremony to be held onsite at the Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex *around* 6:30 p.m. (the banquet will begin immediately following the conclusion of the championship match) on Saturday night.

Transportation - All teams are expected to provide their own transportation and be on time for their matches. Some hotels may have a shuttle service in and around the area, be sure to check with the hotel front desk.

Rental Car Information - **Enterprise Car Rental** will have special rates for tournament participants. They also will allow drivers under 25 years of age (but MUST be at least 21 years old). For more information go to: <http://www.tennisoncampus.com>

Hotels - Please make your reservations ASAP - hotel block is filling quickly! Information can be found at <http://www.tennisoncampus.com>.

Uniforms – It is strongly recommended that teams wear matching uniforms that clearly identify your school during all matches.

Exam Proctor – This year the tournament falls during finals for some students, if you need to take an exam, contact Valerie McCutchan at Valerie@nirsa.org or (541) 766-8211 for more information.

Special Guests: Katrina Adams - 12 year veteran of the WTA tour where she held rankings as high as No. 67 in singles and No. 8 in doubles, and current First Vice President on the USTA Board of Directors, will be on site to emcee the national championship match and player awards ceremony.

Southwest Happy Hour - The Southwest Tennis Association wants to welcome you to the area and share a little “down home” hospitality. They’ll be onsite Wednesday, April 10th from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. with FREE snacks, games and prizes for players. Stop by for some good old Southwest Hospitality!

Player Lounge- There will be a lounge outfitted with laptop stations where you can “tweet” about the great time you are having or if you need a quiet spot to study. There will be fruit, snacks and water available courtesy of Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex.

USTA Military Booth- On Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. there will be a Military booth set up where you can find out about adopting a unit or write “thank you” cards to our troops.

USTA TOC Player Registration- On Thursday, Friday and Saturday you will be able to register on site through the new TOC Player Registration Portal. This registration will help keep you connected with the game, your friends and updated on special TOC events and activities including TOC Alumni events in your area during and after you graduate. Make sure to make this a priority while in Surprise!

NCCS Sportsmanship Statement- The following Sportsmanship Statement was adopted by the NIRSA NCCS Committee and is now read at all championship matches:

“The NCCS believes good sportsmanship is an integral component of intercollegiate competition. We wholeheartedly embrace the position that, in order for sportsmanship to prevail, coaches, student-athletes, and fans must display respect, fairness, civility, honesty, and responsibility before, during and after all athletic contests. We encourage fans to enthusiastically support their team, recognize the outstanding performance of opponents, and always exhibit good sportsmanship in their words and actions.

The NCCS encourages and promotes sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches, and spectators. Offensive language including profanity, racial or ethnic slurs or other intimidating actions directed at officials, event staff, student-athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the competition site.”

Final Thought - Come prepared, remain flexible, represent yourself, your team and your school in a professional manner and in accordance with NCCS Rules & Regulations throughout the event. This will ensure a wonderful experience for you and your teammates now and for years to come.

We look forward to seeing all of you in a couple weeks!
Tournament Staff

Teams Attending the 2013 USTA Tennis On Campus National Championship

Returning National Champions - University of California - Berkeley

2012 TOC Spring Invitational - University of Arizona

2012 TOC Spring Invitational - University of Texas at Austin

2012 TOC Fall Invitational - Duke University

2012 TOC Fall Invitational - University of Virginia

2013 TOC Club of the Year - North Dakota State University

Eastern - Cornell University

Eastern - Columbia University

Eastern - Stony Brook University

Florida - University of Florida

Florida - University of Central Florida

Mid-Atlantic - Georgetown University

Mid-Atlantic – Virginia Tech

Mid-Atlantic – George Washington University

Mid-Atlantic – University of Maryland

Middle States - Pennsylvania State University

Middle States - University of Pennsylvania

Middle States - Villanova University

Middle States – University of Delaware

Midwest - University of Michigan

Midwest - Purdue University

Midwest - University of Cincinnati

Midwest - Northwestern University

Midwest - University of Wisconsin - Madison

Midwest – DePaul University

Midwest – Oakland University

Missouri Valley – Washington University

Missouri Valley – St Louis University

Missouri Valley - University of Oklahoma

New England - Boston College

New England - Harvard University

New England - Tufts University

New England – Dartmouth College

Northern - University of Minnesota

Northern – Valley City State University

Northern – South Dakota State University

Northern Cal - Stanford University

Northern Cal - University of California - Davis

Northern Cal – Saint Mary’s College of California

Pacific Northwest - University of Oregon

Pacific Northwest - University of Washington

Pacific Northwest - Western Washington University

Rocky Mountain – Brigham Young University
Rocky Mountain – Utah Valley University
Rocky Mountain - University of Northern Colorado
Southern – College of Charleston
Southern - Louisiana State University
Southern - Emory University
Southern - University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
Southern – University of Georgia
Southern - Kennesaw State University
Southern - Auburn University
Southern Cal - UCLA
Southern Cal - University of California - Santa Barbara
Southern Cal – University of California-San Diego
Southwest - Arizona State University
Southwest – New Mexico State University
Texas - Baylor University
Texas -Texas A&M University
Texas - Texas State University - San Marcos
Texas - Southern Methodist University
Texas -Texas Tech University
Texas - Lone Star College - Cy Fair
Texas – University of Texas at San Antonio



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