



Matt Dziadosz Memorial Junior Team Tennis Grant Application

Purpose of the Grant

The Matthew Dziadosz Memorial Fund was created in 2020 to provide a scholarship to a local high school senior tennis player who has also played JTT (Junior Team Tennis) and is planning on attending college in the fall. The grant was established in September 2020 in memory of Matthew Dziadosz and his love for coaching and playing the game of tennis. Matthew was special to many in the Central Indiana tennis community and this fund reflects the passion he had for the game. The Matthew Dziadosz Memorial Grant is available to those players residing in the USTA Central Indiana District.

This grant was established in 2020 to reward a high school senior tennis player who has been a part of JTT (Junior Team Tennis) and plans to attend an accredited college in the fall. The goal of this grant is to help with the cost of college. These factors are considered in evaluating applications: financial need, good sportsmanship, high character, leadership, work ethic, participation in JTT (Junior Team Tennis) and a love of the game of tennis.

Grant Eligibility

Financial support will be awarded to one high school tennis player who has played JTT (Junior Team Tennis). All players residing in the Central Indiana district are eligible to apply regardless of race, color, creed, religion, gender, national origin, disability, or sexual orientation.

Grant Amount

A scholarship in the amount of \$500 will be awarded to a high school senior Junior Team Tennis (JTT) player each year.

Application Deadline

The Matthew Dziadosz JTT Memorial Grant application deadline is March 31 of the current calendar year. Grant decision will be made, and the grant will be awarded by May 15 of the current calendar year.

Grant Contact

For more information or questions about the Matthew Dziadosz Memorial JTT Grant, please contact Judy Tilmont at (317) 846-7584 or judy@centralindianatennis.com.

USTA Central Indiana Foundation

Attn: Judy Tilmont

1310 East 96th Street, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46240



Grant Guidelines

The grant application process is open to all interested parties. Applications are evaluated by USTA Central Indiana Tennis Foundation Grant Review Committee. Individuals funded by Central Indiana Tennis Foundation must reside within the USTA Central Indiana District.

Funding

- The deadline to apply for the grant is March 31st of the current calendar year for grants awarded in May 15th of the same Calendar year.
- All factual information requested on the application must be correctly stated. In addition to the specific factual information requested on the application, the quality of responses to questions will be considered. Applications (must be typed or legibly printed), including supporting documentation may be submitted via email, mail or fax, and must be postmarked by March 31st. *Incomplete or untimely applications will be returned to the applicant.* If the application is emailed or faxed, the application must be received in the Central Indiana office by April 10th.
- *To be considered for a grant, players may not have any suspension points or other penalties imposed by any Tournament Committee or other administrative body.*
- Guidelines will be followed unless exceptional circumstances warrant other consideration.
- A current USTA Membership is required for receipt of a grant.
- If applicant is not a US citizen, documentation of alien status must be submitted with the application.
- Individual must not exceed age 18 and/or have enrolled as a freshman in college by the time that the grant funds are expended.
- Individual must currently be involved in USTA sanctioned Junior Team Tennis play.
- Grants will be awarded after initial approval by the Grant and Scholarship Committee, and a list of grant recipients provided to the Board of Directors for final approval.
- Grant application forms are available on USTA Central Indiana website at www.centralindianatennis.com.
- Factors considered when evaluating applications: age, number events played, academic performance, income/financial need, other resources available.
- All players must demonstrate good sportsmanship.
- Individual grant amounts are up to \$500.
- **It is the sole responsibility of the applicant to contact their State High School Athletic Association and/or NCAA to determine whether or not the receipt of a grant from USTA/CITF will adversely affect their eligibility to compete on a high school team or as an individual in a high school event or on a college/university team. Different associations have different rules, and it's incumbent that the applicant verify his/her state rules.**



If a Central Indiana Tennis Foundation Grant is Awarded:

- After approval by USTA CITF Grant Committee, the USTA CITF office will contact the recipient, and inform them that if they are playing high school or college tennis, that they must contact the Indiana High School Athletic Association regarding the parameters of the grant.
- The approved grant will be forwarded once the recipient has confirmed with USTA CITF in writing that receipt of a grant will not adversely affect their eligibility to compete on any high school team or as an individual in a high school event or on a college/university team.

**Submit application and additional information via mail to: USTA/Central Indiana Tennis Foundation
Attn: Grant Review Committee**

1310 East 96th Street, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46240

Or submit application and additional information via email to: judy@centralindianatennis.com



MATTHEW DZIADOSZ MEMORIAL GRANT APPLICATION
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY)

DEADLINE: MARCH 31st

Applicant Information:

Name of Youth Applicant: _____

US Citizen _____ Yes _____ No Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Grade _____

If not a US Citizen, indicate alien status and attach documentation

USTA Number _____ Size of Family _____

Parent/Guardian's Name : _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Business Phone (____) _____ Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

Tennis Experience:

- Do you play USTA Junior Team Tennis? _____ Yes _____ No
- Number of years you have participated in USTA Junior Team Tennis _____
- Do you play high school tennis? _____ Yes _____ No
If 'yes', do you intend to play college tennis? _____ Yes _____ No
- Have you represented your District in the Midwest Sectional Junior Team Tennis Championships? _____ Yes
_____ No
If yes, please list the year(s): _____
- Have you represented your Section in the National Junior Team Tennis Championships? _____ Yes _____ No
If yes, please list the year(s): _____



Applicant Questions:

The senior applicant should answer the following on a separate piece of paper (please type or print legibly):

1. Summarize your tennis background and playing experiences.
2. How has being a part of a Junior Team Tennis (JTT) impacted your life and tennis experience?
3. What other extracurricular activities are you involved in?
4. What are your college plans?
5. How will this grant help you achieve your goals?

Please check  below that the following information is included with the application at the time it is submitted (if not, the application will be returned):

- _____ Player's Biography which includes grade point average or most recent report card or appropriate academic documentation
- _____ Proof of enrollment in an accredited college or university
- _____ At least one current letter of recommendation from a tennis coach (either high school or JTT coach)
- _____ At least one current letter of recommendation from an academic teacher (if applicant is homeschooled please provide a letter from a tutor, family friend, etc.)
- _____ Signed 'Authorization for Use of Name and Image' document (see last page of this application)

Parent's Signature _____ **Date** _____