

2018 NATIONAL ENDORSEMENT & SELECTION PROCEDURES

Endorsement of players for Summer Zonal Events, Intersectionals, 18 National Team Events and National Clay Courts will take place on **March 31, 2018** which will include results from the January 2018 Level 3, the February 2018 Level 4, and the March 2018 Level 4. For National Hard Courts, endorsement of players will take place after the June 2018 Level 3. Endorsement is based upon the current ranking list after the above closing dates. Players will be endorsed in order of ranking. If a player chooses not to sign up, then the selection process continues down the list of those players that have been endorsed and signed up on-line. Players that meet qualifications (ranking, age) are put on the USTA Northern Section Endorsement List. The number of players on each endorsement list is as follows:

- **Zonals (all age groups) – 50**
- **14 Intersectionals – 10**
- **16 Intersectionals – 10**
- **18 National Team Championships (Girls and Boys) – 30**
- **World Team Tennis (Girls and Boys) – 30 in 18's and 12 in 16's** (this would be the next 9 players after selections for 18 National Team Championships and 16 Intersectionals, i.e., you are not eligible for WTT if you attend either 18 National Team Championships or 16 Intersectionals). Also, players that are signed up under the 18's division are given the first opportunity to attend this event. If we do not have three eligible 18's per gender then we will select from those eligible players signed up under the 16's age division.
- **National Clay and Hard Court and Winter Nationals (all age groups) – 20**

Note: If a team event does not fill from the endorsed players list, the list will be expanded to the extent needed to fill the team.

SELECTION

Players are selected directly from the USTA Northern Section endorsement list. The player must be signed up online by the deadline to be selected. USTA Northern selects the following number of players in each age group:

TEAM

- **12 Zonals** - 12 Boys, 12 Girls
- **14 Zonals** - 12 Boys, 12 Girls
- **16 Zonals** - 12 Boys, 12 Girls
- **14 Intersectionals** – 4 Boys, 4 Girls – 3 singles, 1 gender doubles, 1 mixed doubles
- **16 Intersectionals** – 4 Boys, 4 Girls – 3 singles, 1 gender doubles, 1 mixed doubles
- **18 National Team Championships** - 6 Boys
- **18 National Team Championships** - 6 Girls
- **World Team Tennis** - 3 Boys, 3 Girls (16's and 18's, player's registered in 18's are given first consideration)

INDIVIDUAL

- **Clay Courts & Hard Courts**

The section endorses 20 players in each age group. This does not mean every player has an automatic bid into the national championships.

- The top 2 players to register in Boys and Girls 12's & 14's receive an automatic bid.
- The top 3 players to register in Boys and Girls 16's & 18's receive an automatic bid.

- **Indoor Championships**

The section endorses 20 players in each age group. This does not mean every player has an automatic bid into the tournament.

- The top player (1) to register in each age group will receive an automatic bid.

- **Winter Championships**

The section endorses 20 players in each age group. This does not mean every player has an automatic bid into the tournament.

- The top 2 players to register in each age group will receive an automatic bid.

REGISTRATION

To register online for national tournaments, go to usta.com - Competitive Tennis – Juniors. If you have an interest in playing, please register. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

For all endorsement questions, travel arrangements and other information, please contact Tricia Moorhead at (952) 358-3292 or moorhead@northern.usta.com

12 Zonals
July 26-July 30, 2018
Omaha, NE

Selection

12 girls and 12 boys will be selected by the Section to attend

Coaches

Steve Tacl (Head Coach) and Diana Bukajeva

Travel Information

Must arrive by the afternoon of July 25 and depart after 2 p.m. on July 30.
You are responsible for your own travel arrangements.

Hotel: Host Hotel – Omaha Marriott, (402) 399-9000, \$99.00 per night.

Entry Fee: \$265.00 plus TennisLink fees - only necessary to register under singles, USTA Northern will send all players names to the tournament director for singles and doubles play (register online under **USTA Northern** tournaments, tournament ID #550019418, deadline to register online is **May 2, 2018** at 11 a.m.). Entry fees are non-refundable after May 9, 2018.

Line-ups: Line-ups are submitted to the tournament director using a waterfall method based directly on the ranking of the player at the time of endorsement (1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12 and 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11). It is not the practice of USTA Northern to move players to a different ranking on the line-up for any reason. If a player withdraws, this will move all players below the withdrawal up one spot. This will potentially change the team a player was originally slotted to play on. Line-ups can change up to the time the tournament begins based on withdrawals that could come in to our office at any time.

12 Girls Clay Courts
July 15-22, 2018
Boca Raton, FL

Selection

2 girls will be selected by the Section to attend.

Entry Fee: \$155 (register online under **USTA National** tournaments #150003718 - deadline to register is **June 21, 2018** at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: jeanhmills@comcast.net

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 2, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

12 Girls Hard Courts
August 5-12, 2018
Alpharetta, GA

Selection

2 girls will be selected by the Section to attend.

Entry Fee: \$135 (register online under **USTA National** tournaments #- 700010918 - deadline to register is **July 12, 2018** at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: <http://www.windwardlakeclub.com>

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 2, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

12 Boys Clay Courts
July 15-22, 2018
Orlando, FL

Selection

2 boys will be selected by the Section to attend.

Entry Fee: \$155 - (register online under **USTA National** tournaments #TBA- deadline to register is **June 21, 2018** at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: TBA

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 2, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

12 Boys Hard Courts
August 4-11, 2018
Mobile, AL

Selection

2 boys will be selected by the Section to attend.

Entry Fee: \$135 (register online under **USTA National** tournaments #700002818 – deadline to register is **July 12, 2018** at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: Lorraine Novak: tennismobile@gmail.com

If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 2, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

14 Zonals
July 26-July 30, 2018
Kalamazoo, MI

Selection

12 girls and 12 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Coaches

Danny Kantar (Head Coach) and Sion Wilkins

Travel Information

Must arrive by Noon July 25 and depart after 4 p.m. on July 30.

You are responsible for your own travel arrangements.

It is recommended to rent a car if flying to Kalamazoo. Please contact Tricia Moorhead for more information at moorhead@northern.usta.com or at (952) 358-3292.

Coaches Flight Info:

Wednesday July 25, 2018, American Air Flight 1510, MSP – Chicago O’Hare 6 a.m.

Chicago O’Hare – Kalamazoo, American Air Flight 3369 arrives 10:35 a.m.

Hotel:

Staybridge Suites Kalamazoo
2001 Seneca Lane
Kalamazoo, MI 49008
269-372-8000
staybridgesuites.com/kalamazoo
USTA Northern Tennis or Group Block Code “UNT”.

Entry Fee:

\$265.00 plus TennisLink fees - only necessary to register under singles, USTA Northern will send all players names to the tournament director for singles and doubles play (register online under **USTA Northern** tournaments, tournament ID #550019518, deadline to register online is **May 2, 2018** at 11 a.m.). Entry fees are non-refundable after May 9, 2018.

Line-ups:

Line-ups are submitted to the tournament director using a waterfall method based directly on the ranking of the player at the time of endorsement (1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12 and 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11). It is not the practice of USTA Northern to move players to a different ranking on the line-up for any reason. If a player withdraws, this will move all players below the withdrawal up one spot. This will potentially change the team a player was originally slotted to play on. Line-ups can change up to the time the tournament begins based on withdrawals that could come in to our office at any time.

14 Intersectionals
June 30-July 4, 2018
Auburn, AL

Selection

4 girls and 4 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Coach

Chris Kuna

Travel Information

Arrive by 2 p.m. on June 29 and depart anytime the morning of July 5. You are responsible for your own travel arrangements. A parent chaperone is **REQUIRED** to attend.

Coach's Flight Information:

Friday, June 29, 2018, Delta Flight 1565 , MSP – ATL, 6 a.m.

ATL – Columbus, GA, Delta Flight 4766, arrives 11:19 a.m.

Please contact Tricia Moorhead for more information at moorhead@northern.usta.com or at (952) 358-3292.

Hotel Info: The Hotel at Auburn University, (800) 228-2876, or (334) 821-8200

Entry Fee: \$285.00 plus TennisLink fees - only necessary to register under singles, USTA Northern will send all players names to the tournament director for singles and doubles play (Register online under **USTA Northern** tournaments, tournament ID #550009718, deadline to register online is **April 25, 2018** at 11a.m.). Entry fee is non-refundable after May 2, 2018.

14 Girls Clay Courts

July 14-21, 2018

Plantation, FL

Selection

2 girls will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$150 (register online under USTA National tournaments #150002418 - deadline to register is June 21, 2018 at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: lcoffman@plantationtennis.org
<http://www.PCTC.plantationtennis.org>

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 2, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

14 Girls Hard Courts

August 4-11, 2018

Rome, GA

Selection

2 girls will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$130 (register online under USTA National tournaments #703401118- deadline to register is July 12, 2018 at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: 2018g14nat@goodsports.us

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 2, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

**14 Boys Clay Courts
July 14-21, 2018
Fort Lauderdale, FL**

Selection

2 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$150 (register online under USTA National tournaments #150004518- deadline to register is June 21, 2018 at 11:59A EST).

For more information contact: serogers@fortlauderdale.gov
<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/tennis/boys14.htm>

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 2, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

**14 Boys Hard Courts
August 4-11, 2018
Mobile, AL**

Selection

2 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$130 (register online under USTA National tournaments #700002818 - deadline to register is July 12, 2018 at 11:59 a.m.).

For more information contact: tennismobile@gmail.com

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 2, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

16 Zonals
July 26-30, 2018
Dallas, TX

Selection

12 girls and 12 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Coaches

Mark Vellek (Head Coach) and Andres Osorio

Travel Information

Must arrive by 12 p.m. July 25 and depart any time after 5 p.m. July 30.

You are responsible for your own travel arrangements.

Coaches Flight Information:

Wednesday, July 25, 2018, Delta Flight 4788, MSP – Dallas, 8:45 a.m.

It is recommended to rent a car. Please contact Tricia Moorhead for more information at

Moorhead@northern.usta.com or at (952) 358-3292.

Hotel: Dallas Fort Worth Marriott, Solana, (817) 430-5000

Entry Fee: \$265.00 plus TennisLink fees - only necessary to register under singles, USTA Northern will send all players names to the tournament director for singles and doubles play (register online under **USTA Northern** tournaments, tournament ID #550019618, deadline to register online is **May 2, 2018** at 11 a.m.). Entry fees are non-refundable after May 9, 2018.

Line-ups: Line-ups are submitted to the tournament director using a waterfall method based directly on the ranking of the player at the time of endorsement (1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12 and 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11). It is not the practice of USTA Northern to move players to a different ranking on the line-up for any reason. If a player withdraws, this will move all players below the withdrawal up one spot. This will potentially change the team a player was originally slotted to play on. Line-ups can change up to the time the tournament begins based on withdrawals that could come in to our office at any time.

16 Intersectionals
June 30-July 4, 2018
Shreveport, LA

Selection

4 girls and 4 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Coach

Ben Maes. Parents are not required to attend as the coach will chaperone the players.

Travel Information

Please arrive by 2 p.m. on June 28 and depart anytime the morning of July 5. This is one day earlier than years past.

Please try and match the **Coach's Flight** information:

Thursday, June 28, 2018, Delta Flight 1565 , MSP – ATL, 6:30 a.m.

ATL – Shreveport, LA, Delta Flight 4755, arrives 12:20 p.m.

Thursday, July 5, 2018, Delta Flight 5207 Shreveport – ATL, 9:54 a.m.

ATL – MSP, Delta Flight 1574, arrives 4:58 p.m.

Please contact Tricia Moorhead for more information at moorhead@northern.usta.com or at (952) 358-3292.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express, (318)-629-0163

Entry Fee and Housing Fee: \$400 plus TennisLink fees - only necessary to register under singles, USTA Northern will send all players names to the tournament director for singles and doubles play (Register online under **USTA Northern** tournaments, tournament ID #550009818, deadline to register online is **April 25, 2018** at 11 a.m.). Players will be staying with Host Families. Entry fee and housing fee are non-refundable after May 2, 2018.

16 Girls Clay Courts
July 14-21, 2018
Memphis, TN

Selection

3 girls will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$150 (register online under USTA National tournaments #700000418- deadline to register is June 21, 2018 at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: chamberlaintennis@gmail.com

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 3, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

16 Girls Hard Courts
August 4-12, 2018
San Diego, CA

Selection

3 girls will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$130 (register online under USTA National tournaments # 650001918- deadline to register is July 12, 2018 at 10:59 a.m. CDT).

For more information contact: www.ustagirlsnationals.com or lakewood10s@gmail.com

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 3, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

**16 Boys Clay Courts
July 14-21, 2018
Delray Beach, FL**

Selection

3 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$150 (register online under USTA National tournaments #153602718- deadline to register is June 21, 2018 at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: ibaron@yellowtennisball.com

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 3, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

**16 Boys Hard Courts
August 3-12, 2018
Kalamazoo, MI**

Selection

3 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$130 (register online under USTA National tournaments #850002418- deadline to register is July 12, 2018 at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: mriley@kzoo.edu or <http://www.ustaboys.com>

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 3, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

**Billie Jean King World Team Tennis Junior Nationals
July 23-26, 2018
San Diego, CA**

Selection

3 girls and 3 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Coach

Gordon Reid; Parents not required to attend, the coach will chaperone the players.

Travel Information

Please arrive by 2 p.m. on July 23 and depart after 1 p.m. on July 26.

A flight will be arranged for the coach. Players will be given that itinerary in order to coordinate their flight with the coach's flight. The coach's flight information is:

Monday, July 23, 2018, Delta Flight 1687, MSP – San Diego, 8:45 a.m.

Thursday, July 26, 2018, Delta Flight 888, San Diego – MSP 3:25 p.m.

Please contact Tricia Moorhead for more information at moorhead@northern.usta.com or at (952) 358-3292

Hotel: Crowne Plaza, San Diego – Mission Valley, (619) 297-1101

Registration and Hotel Fee: \$435.00 plus TennisLink fees - only necessary to register under singles, USTA Northern will send all players names to the tournament director for singles and doubles play (Register online under **USTA Northern** Tournaments, tournament ID #550020018, deadline to register online **is May 9, 2018** at 11 a.m.). Registration and Hotel fees are non-refundable after May 26, 2018.

18 Girls National Team Championships
July 29-August 1, 2018
Claremont, CA

Selection

6 girls will be selected by the section to attend

Coach

Matt Boughton; Parents not required to attend, the coach will chaperone the players.

Travel Information

Please arrive July 27 by 2 p.m. and depart August 2 in the a.m. This is one day earlier than years past. A flight will be arranged for the coach. Players will be given that itinerary in order to coordinate their flight with the coach's flight. Coach's flight information is:

Friday, July 27, 2018, Delta Flight 1728 MSP – San Diego, 11:15 a.m.

Thursday, August 2, 2018, Delta Flight 1687, San Diego – MSP, 11:15 a.m. Arrives 5:00 p.m.

Please contact Tricia Moorhead for more information at moorhead@northern.usta.com or at (952) 358-3292.

Hotel: Sheraton Ontario Airport Hotel, (909) 937-8000

Registration and Hotel Fee: \$885.00 plus TennisLink fees - only necessary to register under singles, USTA Northern will send all players names to the tournament director for singles and doubles play (register online under **USTA Northern** tournaments, tournament ID #550019818, deadline to register is **April 25, 2018** at 11 a.m.). Registration and Hotel fees are non-refundable after May 2, 2018.

18 Girls Clay Courts
July 14-21, 2018
Mount Pleasant, SC

Selection

3 girls will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$150 (register online under USTA National tournaments #700001818 - deadline to register is June 21, 2018 at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: pathieber@web.de

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 3, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

18 Girls Hard Courts
August 4-12, 2018
Encinitas, CA

Selection

3 girls will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$130 (register online under USTA National tournaments #650001918- deadline to register is July 12, 2018 at 11:59 a.m. EST).

For more information contact: www.ustagirlsnationals.com or liz@blums.com

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 3, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

**18 Boys National Team Championships
July 28-31, 2018
Urbana, IL****Selection**

6 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Coach

Scott Boyer. Parents not required to attend, the coach will chaperone the players.

Travel Information

Please arrive by 3 p.m. on July 26 and depart any time after 4 p.m. on July 31. This is one day earlier than years past. A flight will be arranged for the coach. Players will be given that itinerary in order to coordinate their flight with the coach's flight.

Coaches Flight Info:

Thursday, July 26, 2018, American Air Flight 998, MSP – Chicago O'Hare, 9:17 a.m.

Thursday, July 26, 2018, American Air Flight 3857, Chicago O'Hare – Champaign URB, 1:29, p.m.

Tuesday, July 31, 2018, American Air Flight 3858, Champaign URB – Chicago O'Hare, 6:01 p.m.

Tuesday, July 31, 2018, American Air Flight 2381, Chicago O'Hare – MSP, 8:42 p.m. Arrives 10:07pm

Charter Bus to Kalamazoo:

Contact Christine Stromberg; cstromb2@illinois.edu
217-244-3318 Cost: \$TBD payable to University of Illinois

Please contact Tricia Moorhead for more information at moorhead@northern.usta.com or at (952)358-3292.

Hotel:

Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham, (217) 398-3400

Registration and Hotel Fee:

\$585.00 plus TennisLink fees - only necessary to register under singles, USTA Northern will send all players names to the tournament director for singles and doubles play (register online under **USTA Northern** Tournaments, tournament ID #550019918, deadline to register online is **April 25, 2018** at 11 a.m.). Registration and Hotel fees are non-refundable after May 2, 2018.

**18 Boys Clay Courts
July 14-21, 2018
Delray Beach, FL**

Selection

3 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$150 (register online under USTA National tournaments #153602718- deadline to register is June 21, 2018 at 1159A EST).

For more information contact: ibaron@yellowtennisball.com

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 3, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

**18 Boys Hard Courts
August 3-12, 2018
Kalamazoo, MI**

Selection

3 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Entry Fee: \$130 (register online under USTA National tournaments #850002418- deadline to register is July 12, 2018 11:59A EST).

For more information contact: mriley@kzoo.edu or <http://www.ustaboys.com>

Note: If you have any interest at all for this event; even if you are not in the top 3, make sure to get signed up BEFORE the deadline date. If you are not accepted, there is no fee charged.

**Billie Jean King World Team Tennis Junior Nationals
July 23-26, 2018
San Diego, CA**

Selection

3 girls and 3 boys will be selected by the section to attend

Coach

Gordon Reid. Parents not required to attend as the coach will chaperone the players.

Travel Information

Please arrive by 2 p.m. on July 23 and depart after 1 p.m. on July 26. A flight will be arranged for the coach. Players will be given that itinerary in order to coordinate their flight with the coach's flight.

The coach's flight information is:

Monday, July 23, 2018, Delta Flight 1687, MSP – San Diego, 8:45 a.m.

Thursday, July 26, 2018, Delta Flight 888, San Diego – MSP 3:25 p.m.

Please contact Tricia Moorhead for more information at moorhead@northern.usta.com or at (952) 358-3292.

Hotel: Crowne Plaza, San Diego - Mission Valley, (619) 297-1101

Registration and Hotel Fee: \$435.00 plus TennisLink fees - only necessary to register under singles, USTA Northern will send all players names to the tournament director for singles and doubles play (Register online under **USTA Northern** Tournaments, tournament ID #550020018, deadline to register online is **May 9, 2018** at 11 a.m.). Registration and Hotel fees are non-refundable after May 26, 2018.