



PROUDLY SUPPORTS NJTL NETWORK

## 2018 USTA Foundation NJTL Essay Contest

### **This year's question:**

“ What is the most important lesson you have learned thus far through NJTL, and how does that lesson help you in your life as a student, a tennis player, and an individual? Please include the name of your NJTL in your answer.”

*Step 1.: Pick a lesson you've learned and want to write about..*

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*Step 2: How does this lesson helped you as a:*

*Student:* \_\_\_\_\_

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*Tennis Player:* \_\_\_\_\_

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*Individual:* \_\_\_\_\_

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### Step 3: Essay Outline

**THE INTRODUCTION: Thesis Statement:** A single sentence that explains your most important lesson through NJTL.

**MAIN POINTS:** The Essay's main points are introduced, often with one sentence for each. This often outlines the paper.

HELPED AS STUDENT:

HELPED AS PLAYER:

HELPED AS INDIVIDUAL:

HELPED AS A STUDENT: Topic Sentence: This paragraph addresses the first point listed in the thesis statement.

WAY IT WILL HELP YOU:

SUPPORT 1:

EXAMPLE:

SUPPORT 2:

WHAT IT'S LIKE WITHOUT IT:

SUPPORT 3:

HELPED AS PLAYER: Topic Sentence: This paragraph addresses the second point listed in the thesis statement.

WAY IT WILL HELP YOU:

SUPPORT 1:

EXAMPLE:

SUPPORT 2:

WHAT IT'S LIKE WITHOUT IT:

SUPPORT 3:

HELPED AS AN INDIVIDUAL: Topic Sentence: This paragraph addresses the third point listed in the thesis statement.

WAY IT WILL HELP YOU:

SUPPORT 1:

EXAMPLE:

SUPPORT 2:

WHAT IT'S LIKE WITHOUT IT:

SUPPORT 3:

**THE CONCLUSION:** The final paragraph summarizes the essay, often using wording similar to the introduction.

POINT 1:

POINT 2:

POINT 3:

CONCLUDING STATEMENT: