

RACQUET CLUB JUNIOR ACADEMY

Our Commitment Statement

The Racquet Club is COMMITTED to providing the BEST OPPORTUNITIES possible for your juniors to improve their games. We are COMMITTED to Helping ALL Players at ALL Levels Reach Their Own INDIVIDUAL Potentials by providing a Schedule of Coaching that is comparable with other top national and regional academies. We are COMMITTED to providing all this outside of school hours so that juniors can continue to reach their educational goals, and also so that expenses can be kept reasonable. We are level-specific and age-conscious in placing juniors in groups, in order to help juniors make each year a better year of tennis than they have known.

RCJA Group SCHEDULES & PLACEMENT GUIDES

COMPETITIVE ACADEMY

MISSION STATEMENT: Develop juniors to their utmost abilities by using all available facilities, coaches, and time allowed. Tennis is a main goal and focus of the individual. This junior strives to attain high success at the national level of competitive tennis. This junior is extremely focused and self-driven, with a dual vision of being a good tennis player and student.

GOALS:

- *Achieve high National success (USTA National events)
- *Be a highly-recruited collegiate player

SCHEDULE:

Tuesdays	6:00 - 7:15 pm	(1.25 Hours Conditioning)
	7:30 - 9:00 pm	(1.5 Hours Drilling)
Wednesdays	5:00 - 7:00 pm	(2 Hours Drilling)
Thursdays	7:30 - 9:00 pm	(1.5 Hours Drilling)
Saturdays	7:30 - 9:00 am	(1.5 Hours Drilling)
	9:00 - 10:00 am	(1 Hour Conditioning)
	12:30 - 2:30 pm	(2 Hours Match Play)
Sundays	4:00 - 6:00 pm	(2 Hours Match Play)
TOTAL TIME ON COURT		12.75 Hours

Requirements:

*Participants in the COMPETITIVE ACADEMY must be members of The Racquet Club

*Participants in the COMPETITIVE ACADEMY must submit an APPLICATION before being considered for the program

*Participants in COMPETITIVE ACADEMY must sign and return the Medical Release Form

* A SEMESTER (4 Month) COMMITMENT REQUIRED

ACADEMY I

MISSION STATEMENT: Develop juniors to their utmost abilities by using club facilities, coaches, and time allowed. This junior wants to be a good tennis player while still focusing on/competing in other activities. He/she may also be working to develop the necessary skills to reach the next level of the program. This junior is focused on several activities (ie other sports, school, school activities, music, etc) while improving his/her tennis abilities.

GOALS:

*Be a potential collegiate player

*Be a an outstanding high school player

*Develop the skills necessary to move to the Competitive Academy program

*Be motivated to attain a higher level of success by working harder at tennis

SCHEDULE:

Tuesdays	4:00 - 6:00 pm	(2 Hours Drilling)
	6:00 - 7:15 pm	(1.25 Hours-Conditioning)
Wednesdays	7:00 - 8:30 pm	(1.5 Hours Drilling)
Thursdays	6:15 - 7:30 pm	(1.25 Hours Drilling)
Sundays	2:30 - 4:00 pm	(1.5 Hours Match Play)
TOTAL TIME ON COURT		7.5 Hours

Requirements:

*Participants in the ACADEMY I must be members of The Racquet Club

*Participants in ACADEMY I must submit an APPLICATION before being considered for the program

*Participants in ACADEMY I must sign and return the Medical Release Form

**A Monthly Commitment Required*

ACADEMY II

MISSION STATEMENT: Develop juniors to their utmost abilities by using club facilities, coaches, and time allowed. This junior wants to be a good tennis player while still focusing on/competing in other activities. He/she may also be working to develop the necessary skills to reach the next level of the program. This junior is focused on several activities (ie other sports, school, school activities, music, etc) while improving his/her tennis abilities.

GOALS:

*Be a potential collegiate player

*Be a an outstanding high school player

*Develop the skills necessary to move up in the Academy program

*Be motivated to attain a higher level of success by working harder at tennis

SCHEDULE:

Tuesdays	4:00 - 6:00 pm	(2 Hours Drilling)
Thursdays	5:00 - 6:15 pm	(1.25 Hours Drilling)
Sundays	1:00 - 2:30 pm	(1.5 Hours Match Play)
TOTAL TIME ON COURT		4.75 Hours

Requirements:

*Participants in ACADEMY II must be members of The Racquet Club

*Participants in ACADEMY II must sign and return the Medical Release Form

**A Monthly Commitment Required*

ACADEMY III

MISSION STATEMENT: Develop juniors to their utmost abilities by using club facilities, coaches, and time allowed. This junior wants to

be a good tennis player while still focusing on/competing in other activities. He/she may also be working to develop the necessary skills to reach the next level of the program. This junior is focused on several activities (ie other sports, school, school activities, music, etc) while improving his/her tennis abilities.

GOALS:

- *Be a potential collegiate player
- *Be a an outstanding high school player
- *Develop the skills necessary to move up in the Academy program
- *Be motivated to attain a higher level of success by working harder

at tennis

SCHEDULE:

Monday	6:30 - 7:45 pm	(1.25 Hours Drilling)
Wednesday	3:45 - 5:00 pm	(1.25 Hours Drilling)
Saturday	2:30 - 4:00 pm	(1.5 Hours Match Play)
TOTAL TIME ON COURT		4 Hours

Requirements:

- *Participants in ACADEMY III must be members of The Racquet Club
- *Participants in ACADEMY III must sign and return the Medical

Release Form

- * *A Monthly Commitment Required*

ACADEMY IV

MISSION STATEMENT: Develop juniors to their utmost abilities by using club facilities, coaches, and time allowed. This junior wants to be a good tennis player while still focusing on/competing in other activities. He/she may also be working to develop the necessary skills to reach the next level of the program. This junior is focused on several activities (ie other sports, school, school activities, music, etc) while improving his/her tennis abilities.

GOALS:

- *Be a potential collegiate player
- *Be a an outstanding high school player

- *Develop the skills necessary to move up in the Academy program
- *Be motivated to attain a higher level of success by working harder at tennis

SCHEDULE:

Monday	5:30 - 6:30 pm	(1 Hour Drilling)
Thursday	4:00 - 5:00 pm	(1 Hour Drilling)
Saturday	2:30 - 4:00 pm	(1.5 Hours Match Play)
TOTAL TIME ON COURT		3.5 Hours

Requirements:

- * *A Monthly Commitment Required*
- * All Participants must sign and return the Medical Release Form
- * Fees for Racquet Club Members will be placed on their RC Member Accounts. Non-Members must submit an application, including either a valid CREDIT CARD # or a RECIPROCAL CLUB #. Fees for non-Members will be placed on one of these two

THE RCJA STAFF

Committed to providing one of the top coaching staffs in the nation, RCJA is staffed not only by our six full-time certified teaching professionals, but also by the highest level of instructors in the Mid-South. Among the 2009-2010 staff members (in addition to our professionals) are the Head & Assistant Coaches of both the Men's and Women's tennis teams at the University of Memphis (Lee Walker, Matt Walker, Mark Finnegan & Paul Goebel) and Matt Fuery. With well over 150 years combined coaching and playing experience, RCJA coaches and assistants make up one of the strongest and most elite staffs in the region, if not the nation.

FAQ for the RCJA

• **Why is PRICING set up MONTHLY?**

In setting up the pricing structure for the RCJA, several things have been taken into consideration....

#1 - We want you to get the most for your money

Last year participants in Teams Sampras & Agassi paid on average \$456.00 per month for 24 hours. In the RCJA, participants in the

COMPETITIVE ACADEMY pay \$600 per month for 51 hours.
Participants in ACADEMY I pay \$350.00 for 30 Hours.

Last year participants in Teams Roddick, McEnroe & Davenport paid on average \$342.00 per month for 18 hours. In the RCJA, participants in ACADEMY II pay \$225.00 for 19 Hours.

Last year participants in Team Federer paid on average \$304.00 per month for 16 hours. In the RCJA, participants in ACADEMY III pay \$190.00 for 16 Hours.

Last year participants in Team Nadal paid on average \$266.00 per month for 14 hours. In the RCJA, Participants in ACADEMY IV pay \$165.00 for 14 Hours.

2 - We want to be comparable with the top programs in the nation
We have compared the SCHEDULE and PRICES of several academies and junior programs from the region. The RCJA follows the same structure as the other top-rated programs at a fraction of the cost.

#3 - We want there to be less confusion.
Every month you KNOW up-front what you are being charged.

#4 - We want to Maintain a great Coach-Junior Ratio
When you register MONTHLY it allows us to secure the correct # of coaches for each month in order to guarantee a strong ratio.

#5 - We want your junior to be able to play with others just as Committed
When you register monthly the juniors committed to the groups are committed juniors, which helps to increase participation among the juniors.

• **How do I SIGN-UP for a Month?**

Parents/Juniors must register for a month at least two weeks BEFORE the start of the month. To register you must contact Michael Chamberlain at 901.765.4414.

- **What if I need to PULL-OUT of a Month?**

Parents/Juniors must withdraw from a month at least two weeks BEFORE the start of the month. To withdraw you must contact Michael Chamberlain at 901.765.4414.

- **What if I can't do a full month? Is there another option?**

If you are unable to commit to a full month, there is an HOURLY OPTION available for Academies I, II, III and IV. Please note - if a given Academy Group is at MAXIMUM CAPACITY with juniors committing to the month, HOURLY OPTION juniors WILL NOT be able to drop in. The Hourly Rate is \$25.00 per hour.

- **Where can I hang out after school until tennis begins?**

RCJA Participants can use the Galleria for a QUIET study area. If children are noisy they will be asked to go to the stadium lobby.

- **Can I still "JD" a court?**

If weather conditions are inclement enough that NO PLAY is possible outside, juniors may still "JD" a court indoors. Only juniors may JD the courts, not parents.

Procedures for these courts are:

You must check with THE SHOP to see if there is a court available to JD.

You must let THE SHOP know if you are going to JD a court.

No reserving of courts - First Come - First Serve.

Members wishing to PAY AND PLAY can bump juniors who are "JDing" a court.

If you RESERVE a court then you must pay for that court! If you ask The Shop to TURN ON LIGHTS or KEEP LIGHTS ON that can be turned off, you ARE BILLED for the court.

- **Are the PROS still traveling with us to Tournaments?**

FREE PRO TRAVEL

There are TWO MAJOR EVENTS for juniors each year to which coaches travel and conduct warm-ups and watch matches. These

TWO events are the State Qualifying and Southern Closed. Pros DO NOT take juniors to these events, but are there to help and coach AT NO CHARGE.

Other Tournament Travel

Traveling with a pro allows the player to establish an excellent rapport with the pro and the other juniors. This also allows the pro the ability to analyze the match more objectively without the emotion of a concerned parent. Parents can sometimes be accurate in their critique, but the way it is phrased (and because it is coming from the parent) often appears as a personal attack to the child, rather than an objective review or advice.

We will have available a list of tournaments relative to your child's ability that they may keep. We will also post a copy in the Galleria and hand out entry blanks and have them available on the RCJA Board in the Stadium Lobby.

Billing for Tournament Travel

Trips Where the Pros Transport and Care for the Juniors

If you are interested in having your child travel to an event with The Racquet Club Pros, please contact the Tennis Office at 901.765.4458. You will be directed to the appropriate Tennis Pro. The Tennis Pro will communicate to you the approximate costs for the trip (hotel, pro fee, gas, etc). The cost for Tournament Travel to an event is \$100.00 per day Coaching Fee + Travel Expenses for the group. These total expenses are split among the juniors traveling with the Tennis Pro.