

# Currituck USTA Junior Team Tennis

## 8- and 10-and-Under Divisions

### What?

In concert with the United States Tennis Association (USTA), Currituck Tennis is sponsoring a Junior Team Tennis League this spring.

The teams are co-ed: boys and girls will play on the same teams. Students do not have to have any prior tennis experience in order to participate.

### When?

Practices will begin in mid-March, and the season itself will begin after spring break. The season will last until the first week of June.

Matches in the 8-and-under division will be played on Monday evenings, starting at 6:00 p.m.

Matches in the 10-and-under division will be played on Tuesday evenings, also at 6:00 p.m.

Practices and matches will be played at Moyock Middle School, Currituck County High School, and other tennis facilities in the county.

### Coaches

Teams will be coached by parents and other volunteers. All coaches will be certified via the USTA's background check system, SafePlay.

Parents interested in helping coach a team should contact Vic Ramsey at [info@curritucktennis.org](mailto:info@curritucktennis.org).

### Insurance

Insurance coverage for students participating in the program is provided through Currituck Tennis and the United State Tennis Association.

### Questions and More Information

Please contact Vic Ramsey at 252-202-3555 for additional information about the Junior Team Tennis program.

If you have older children who would like to learn to play tennis, ask about our 12-and under and 14-and-under leagues.

### Format

A player's eligibility is based on his/her age as of August 31, 2018.

Both divisions will use the USTA-approved formats for their age groups.

In the 8-and-under division, a team match consists of seven singles matches, each played as best two-of-three tiebreakers.

Players in the 8-and-under division play on a 36' court, using a very low compression "red" ball, which is slightly larger than a standard tennis ball. Racquets in the 8-under division must be no longer than 23" in length.

In the 10-and under division, a team match consists of two singles matches and two doubles matches. The winner of the team match will be determined by the total number of games won.

Players in the 10-and-under division play on a 60' court, using a low compression "orange" ball, which is the same size as a standard tennis ball, but lighter and less bouncy. Racquets in the 10-and-under division must be no longer than 25" in length.

### How to Register

Junior Team Tennis is a USTA-sanctioned program. As such, USTA membership is required of all participants.

The normal rate for a USTA junior membership is \$20 per year. However, the USTA offers a free membership for first-time members who are 10 years old or younger. For children who are returning members, and need to renew, there's a \$10 discount. See the instructions on the reverse side for the appropriate discount codes.

USTA membership includes a magazine subscription and other privileges, including the opportunity to participate in other USTA-sanctioned leagues and tournaments.

In addition to the USTA membership fee, there is a league fee of \$10.00, which pays for balls, t-shirts, awards, and the season-ending cookout.

Both fees are paid online, and you will find detailed instructions on the reverse side of this flyer.

# Instructions for joining USTA and Enrolling in the Junior Team Tennis League

## Joining the USTA

USTA memberships for children under the age of 14 must be managed by one of their parents. To do so, the parent will need to create a "USTA account". This is free to the parent.

From this account, the parent will purchase a membership for the child, and create a USTA account for the child.

To create the parent's USTA account ...

- Go to [www.usta.com](http://www.usta.com).
- In the top banner, click on the blue "TennisLink" link.
- Click on the red "Login" button.
- Click on the "Create Account" button under the paragraph that begins ... "TennisLink give you access to play opportunities ..."
- Follow the prompts to create your USTA account. You'll need an email address as a username, and you'll create a password.

To purchase your child's USTA membership ...

- Go to [www.usta.com](http://www.usta.com).
- Click on the blue "login" link in the upper right-hand corner.
- Sign into the parent's USTA account. *(If you used the same email address for your USTA account that you use for Facebook, then you can click the "Sign on with Facebook" box to sign in.)*
- Click the blue "Join" button for a first-time membership, or the red "Renew" button for a membership renewal.
- On the next screen, select a junior or family membership.
- On the next screen, select the membership duration of your choice.
- On the next screen, select "add a family member", and complete the prompts to purchase your child's USTA membership
- During the checkout process, be sure to use the appropriate discount code, if applicable.
  - FYFE ... If your child is joining for the first time.
  - 10SRN18 .... If your child is renewing his/her membership.
- At the end of the process, your child will be assigned a USTA membership number. Your child's USTA account will be created, and will be linked to your parent account. To sign your child up for Junior Team Tennis or a USTA sanctioned tournament, you'll do so through your parent account.

## To Enroll in the USTA Jr. Team Tennis League

- Go to [www.usta.com](http://www.usta.com).
- Click on the blue "TennisLink" link in the top banner on the right side of the page.
- Click on the red "LOGIN" button, and enter the email address and password associated with your parent account.
- Hover over the "Junior Team Tennis" tab, and click on the "Find a Program" button.
- Search by city and state, using Barco NC 27917.
- Click on the "2018 Currituck Spring JTT" link, and you'll be taken to the main program page.
- Click the red "Register Now" button.
- Select the age-division and USTA membership number for your child. If you wish to register more than one child, you may do so in the spaces provided.
- Click "Submit", and follow the prompts to complete the online payment process.