

and Beyond

ADMISSION AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Ambassadors must be enrolled in a full time school or home-school program.
- To apply, ambassadors must be ages 10 through 16.
- Ambassadors must be involved in tournament play or have a certain degree of commitment to the sport of tennis.
- Applications will be accepted in January, February with acceptances being made in March. There will be a smaller application period in August, with acceptances in September.
- Ambassadors must provide two recommendations (one being from a tennis coach), fill out application/questionnaire and perform an in-person or video interview.
- The board will review ambassador applications during the two week period following March and September.
- Ambassadors must commit to a minimum two-year term, and stay on for a maximum of four years. They can then apply to become a mentor or intern.

DUTIES

- There will be four quarterly character workshops for the ambassadors and a number of volunteer opportunities
 - Character workshops are intended to supply useful tennis information along with good character and values education
 - Ambassadors are required to attend at least 3 of the 4 character workshops and half of the available volunteer workshops
 - If an ambassador does not attend a workshop they must complete a character assignment as make up
- Parents are required to stay in the loop regarding their ambassador's progress. If contact information changes they must let the Foundation know. As long as communication is made there will be no issues with absences as it is understood how packed schedules can be.
- Ambassadors must demonstrate good character and sportsmanship both on and off the court

DISMISSAL

- At the discretion of the board, an ambassador can be placed on probation for one application period (five months) for:
 - Missing more than 1 Character workshop
 - Missing more than half of available volunteer opportunities
 - Showing poor character and sportsmanship on the court in tournament play, as well as off the court
- If the ambassador does not show improvement during the probation period, the board can choose to permanently remove ambassador from the program
 - The ambassador can choose to reapply again following one-calendar year after dismissal

BENEFITS

- Ambassadors can apply to receive training/travel grants after a minimum of five months in the program.
 - Grants will be given out based on financial need
 - In order to qualify for grants, ambassadors' parents must show the latest year's tax return
 - Grants can be used for both tournament, practice play and training
- DTLB tennis and character trips
- Racquets, bags and equipment sponsorships
 - Full and partial sponsorship packages with Head, Wilson and Dunlop. Can apply for compensation for other brands
- DTLB Clothing will be given to all ambassadors free of charge and will be distributed in April.
 - After the first year, each ambassador can pick what clothes they need added or replaced, which will fall under the clothing budget
 - Ambassadors, Mentors and Interns are required to wear Down The Line and Beyond tennis gear to all tournaments they play