



YEAR 2003 USA TENNIS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Foreword

In 1994, the United States Tennis Association created the USTA Tennis Foundation, a non-profit corporation dedicated to improving the quality of life among the nation's youth. The name was changed to the USA Tennis Foundation in 2001. Among its goals the Foundation encourages children to pursue their goals and highest dreams by succeeding in school and becoming responsible citizens. The USA Tennis Foundation supports organizations that use tennis as a vehicle to help youngsters finish high school and qualify for college scholarships. The Foundation targets youngsters from all cultural and ethnic backgrounds. Each year, the USA Tennis Foundation awards scholarships to deserving youngsters who have participated in USTA and other organized youth tennis programs. The following scholarships are offered:

- Σ USA Tennis Foundation College Educational Scholarship
- Σ The Dwight F. Davis Memorial Scholarship
- Σ The Dwight Mosley Scholarship Award
- Σ The Eve Kraft Education and College Scholarship
- Σ The USA Tennis Foundation College Textbook Scholarship

Scholarship recipients are expected to maintain contact with the USA Tennis Foundation semi-annually to report on their progress while in school.

Application Process

The application, and supporting documents, must be mailed to your USTA Section office (see attached list) and postmarked by February 24, 2003 if a candidate is to be eligible for a 2003 USA Tennis Foundation Scholarship. Non-Section organizations and applicants must have applications returned to the USA Tennis Foundation by March 24, 2003. Be careful to follow directions and type all forms. Failure to do so will prevent your application from being reviewed by the Scholarship Committee. Applicants may apply for all of the indicated scholarships, however you will not be awarded more than one scholarship. Upon completion of the application review process, recipients will be notified of acceptance or rejection by mail and will be required to return an official Acceptance Letter. Subsequent years will require a verification form attesting to enrollment status.

The recipient of a USA Tennis Foundation scholarship is expected to enroll as a full-time undergraduate student as defined by his or her undergraduate institution, no later than the opening fall semester or term after notice of selection for the scholarship. If circumstances arise whereby an awardee is unable to enroll or is unable to use the award in the opening fall semester or term after notice of his/her selection, the recipient must submit a written request for deferment to the USA Tennis Foundation Scholarship Committee. Each request will be reviewed and determined on a case-by-case basis. Failure of a recipient to receive approval from the USA Tennis Foundation to change or delay use of the scholarship forfeits his/her right to the scholarship.

The following four forms are required for all of the scholarships:

- a) A typed application signed by the candidate and their parent or guardian
- b) A typed endorsement from a faculty member from the applicant's high school
- c) A typed endorsement from the applicant's tennis coach
- d) A typed endorsement from an individual of the applicant's choice

The following must be included with each submitted application:

- a) An official high school transcript
- b) ACT/SAT examination scores
- c) The applicant's typed personal statement as requested on the application
- d) An Official Financial Aid Form - Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA*) *Available on the internet

USA Tennis Foundation College Educational Scholarship (\$6,000)

The USA Tennis Foundation awards college educational scholarships annually to high school seniors who have excelled academically and participated extensively in USA Tennis programs. The scholarship is payable up to four years at \$1,500 per year. If a recipient of a college education scholarship is enrolling in a two-year community college program, the recipient must prepare a written request for the scholarship to continue should the student transfer to a four-year college or university.

Qualifications

1. Applicants must be or have been a participant in one of the following USA Tennis programs: USA School Tennis, USA Tennis NJTL, USA Team Tennis, or USA Tennis High Performance.
2. Scholarship applicants must be entering their first year of undergraduate studies.
3. Applicants must be seeking admission or have been accepted as a full-time student into a community college or four-year college or university.
4. Applicants must have performed with distinction as student-body members at their high schools. The applicant's involvement in extracurricular activities, course work, commitment to pursuing a career and promise of academic success will be considered.
5. Applicants must demonstrate financial need for college matriculation.

Note: Applicants receiving full grant and aid scholarships in the sport of tennis from their respective schools are not eligible for the USA Tennis Foundation College Educational Scholarship.

Awards

1. Each recipient of a USA Tennis Foundation College Educational Scholarship is eligible to receive \$1,500 each year for no more than four years. The scholarship is renewed annually based on the recipient's enrollment with his/her collegiate institution.
2. The scholarship will be paid to the college or university at which the applicant is enrolled, with the funds being distributed in equal portions of \$1,500 at the beginning of each academic year. **The recipient must be a full-time student at all times while receiving the scholarship.**

Application Process

Applicants will assemble and submit in one envelope the application and supporting documents. All endorsements and transcripts must be returned to the applicant in sealed envelopes with the endorser's or guidance counselor's signature over the seal. Applicants should enclose the sealed and signed envelopes with their application in one envelope and mail it to their USTA Section office. All applications and submitted materials become property of the USA Tennis Foundation. Forms indicated in the Application Process statement are required for scholarship consideration.

Dwight F. Davis Memorial Scholarship (\$10,000)

Dwight Filley Davis began playing tennis at the age of 15 in 1894. He attended Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts and helped the Crimson win the Intercollegiate title in 1899. The year he graduated from college in 1900, Davis purchased a 217-troy ounce silver bowl as a prize for an international lawn tennis competition. Thus spawned the Davis Cup and its first captain, Dwight F. Davis. Davis became president of the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association in 1923. He also served under President Calvin Coolidge as U.S. Secretary of War from 1925-1929 and Governor General of the Philippines. He was President of the USTA in 1923.

The Dwight F. Davis Memorial Scholarship awards college educational scholarships annually to one high school senior who has excelled academically and participated extensively in USA Tennis programs. A one-time \$10,000 scholarship will be awarded to a chosen male or female who is entering a four- year college or university program to support the individual pursuit of excellence in academics and tennis. At the donor's discretion, recipient may reapply in subsequent years.

Qualifications:

1. Applicants must show a demonstrated commitment to developing excellent tennis skills.
2. Applicants must have an academic orientation with a strong interest in pursuing a college education.
3. Applicants must be entering their first year of undergraduate studies.
4. Applicants must demonstrate financial need for college matriculation.
5. Applicant must participate in one or more of the following USA Tennis programs: USA School Tennis, USA Tennis NJTL, USA Team Tennis or USA Tennis High Performance (or other such qualified programs as determined by the Scholarship Committee)

Note: Applicants receiving full grant and aid scholarships in the sport of tennis from their respective schools are not eligible for the Dwight F. Davis Memorial Scholarship.

Awards

1. The recipient of the Dwight F. Davis Memorial Scholarship is eligible to receive a one-time total of \$10,000.
2. The scholarship will be paid to the college or university in which the student is enrolled. **The recipient must be a full-time student at all times while receiving the scholarship.**

Application Process

Applicants will assemble and submit in one envelope, the application and supporting documents. All endorsements and transcripts must be returned to the applicant in sealed envelopes with the endorser's or guidance counselor's signature over the seal. Applicants will enclose the sealed and signed envelopes with their application in one envelope and mail it to their USTA Section office. All applications and submitted materials become property of the USA Tennis Foundation. Please note that all of the forms indicated in the Application Process statement are required for this scholarship.

Dwight Mosley Scholarship Award (\$10,000)

This scholarship was named for Dwight A. Mosley, the first African American appointed to the USTA Board (1993-94). Mosley also served as USTA NJTL vice chairman of the Education and Research Committee and CEO of the Washington Tennis Foundation, a forty-year-old organization that provides year-round tennis programs to economically disadvantaged children in Washington, D.C.

The Dwight Mosley Scholarship is available to high school seniors who have excelled academically and participated extensively in the areas indicated below. A \$10,000 scholarship will be awarded over four years to a chosen male and female who is entering a four-year college or university program. Applicants must demonstrate sportsmanship on and off the court. The selection process will take place in conjunction with the Multicultural Participation Committee staff with input from USA Tennis High Performance Coaching staff.

Qualifications

1. Applicants must have achieved a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale.
2. Applicants must be involved in an organized community program.
3. Applicants must demonstrate financial need for college matriculation.
4. Applicants must have a state and/or USTA Sectional USTA Ranking.
5. Applicants must have been active in a local tennis community for a minimum of three years.

Awards

1. Each recipient is expected to enroll as a full-time undergraduate student as defined by his or her undergraduate institution, no later than the beginning fall semester or term after notice of selection for the scholarship. If circumstances arise whereby an awardee is unable to enroll or is unable to use the award in the beginning fall semester or term after notice of his/her selection, the recipient must submit a written request for deferment to the USA Tennis Foundation Scholarship Committee. Each request will be reviewed and determined on a case-by-case basis. Failure of a recipient to receive approval from the USA Tennis Foundation to change or delay use of the scholarship forfeits his/her right to the scholarship.
2. Each recipient of the Dwight Mosley Scholarship is eligible to receive \$2,500 per year for a total of up to \$10,000 to cover costs of tuition, room and board and computer equipment for four years. The scholarship is renewed annually based on the recipient's standing with his/her collegiate institution.
3. The scholarship will be paid to the college or university in which the student is enrolled. **The recipient must be a full-time student at all times while receiving the scholarship.**

Note: Applicants receiving full grant and aid scholarships in the sport of tennis from their respective schools are not eligible for the Dwight Mosley Scholarship Award.

Application Process

Applicants will assemble and submit in one envelope, the application and supporting documents. All endorsements and transcripts are to be returned to the applicant in sealed envelopes with the endorser's or guidance counselor's signature over the seal. Applicants will enclose the sealed and signed envelopes with their application in one envelope and mail it to their USTA Section office. All applications and submitted materials become property of the USA Tennis Foundation. Please note that all of the forms indicated in the Application Process statement are required for this scholarship.

Eve Kraft Education and College Scholarship Fund (\$2,500)

This scholarship is named after the tennis pioneer who introduced thousands of young people to the game of tennis, particularly in disadvantaged communities. Eve Kraft of Princeton, New Jersey was a lifelong champion of recreational tennis. Kraft became the first-ever women's varsity tennis coach at Princeton in 1971 and led the team to an undefeated record during her three-year tenure. She later founded and was director of the USTA Center for Education and Recreational Tennis in Princeton.

This one-time only scholarship is being offered to two high school seniors, one male, one female, who have excelled both academically and in the sport of tennis and who reside in an economically disadvantaged community. The recipients will receive \$2,500 towards their first year of college education.

Qualifications

1. Applicants must be or have been a participant in the following USA Tennis programs: USA School Tennis, USA Tennis NJTL, USA Team Tennis, or USA Tennis High Performance.
2. The Eve Kraft Education and College Scholarship Fund recipients must be entering their first year of undergraduate studies.
3. Applicants must be seeking or have been accepted into a four-year college or university.
4. Applicants must demonstrate financial need for college matriculation.

This is a one-time scholarship for \$2,500 for a chosen male and female candidate to support the individual pursuit of excellence in tennis and academics.

Note: Applicants receiving full grant and aid scholarships in the sport of tennis from their respective schools are not eligible for the Eve Kraft Education and Scholarship Award.

Awards

1. The recipients of the Eve Kraft Education and College Scholarship Fund are eligible to receive \$2,500.
2. The scholarship will be paid to the college or university in which the student is enrolled. **The recipients must be full-time students at all times while receiving the scholarship.**

Application Process

Applicants will assemble and submit in one envelope, the application and supporting documents. All endorsements and transcripts must be returned to the applicant in sealed envelopes with the endorser's or guidance counselor's signature over the seal. Applicants will enclose the sealed and signed envelopes with their application in one envelope and mail it to their USTA Section office. All applications and submitted materials become property of the USA Tennis Foundation.

USA Tennis Foundation College Textbook Scholarships (\$500)

The USA Tennis Foundation has established a college textbook scholarship program for high school graduates who have excelled academically and participated extensively in USA Tennis programs. The scholarship is a one-time, non-renewable grant of \$500.

Qualifications

1. Applicants must be or have been a participant in one of the following USA Tennis programs: USA School Tennis, USA Tennis NJTL, USA Team Tennis, or USA Tennis High Performance.
2. USA Tennis Foundation College Textbook Scholarship applicants must be entering their first year of undergraduate studies.
3. Applicants must be seeking admission or have been accepted into a community college or four-year college or university.
4. Applicants must have performed with distinction as a high school student-body member. The applicant's involvement in extracurricular activities, course work, commitment to pursuing a career and promise of success in such will be considered.
5. Applicant must show financial need for college matriculation.

Awards

1. Each recipient of a USA Tennis Foundation College Textbook Scholarship is eligible to receive a one-time scholarship of \$500 for one year.
2. The scholarship will be paid to the college or university bookstore in which the student is enrolled at the beginning of the academic year. **The recipient must be a full-time student at all times while receiving the scholarship.**

Application Process

Applicants will assemble and submit in one envelope, the application and supporting documents. All endorsements and transcripts are to be returned to the applicant in sealed envelopes with the endorser's or guidance counselor's signature over the seal. Applicants will enclose the sealed and signed envelopes with their application in one envelope and mail it to their USTA Section office. All applications and submitted materials become property of the USA Tennis Foundation. Please note that all of the forms indicated in the Application Process statement are required for this scholarship.