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USTA North Carolina annually honors those who have done an outstanding job on the court and off to help promote our great sport. The USTA North Carolina Awards Committee has selected Rockingham County Tennis Association (RCTA) as the 2018 National Junior Tennis & Learning (NJTL) chapter of the year in North Carolina. This award recognizes a NJTL Chapter that has demonstrated extraordinary community leadership and excellence in youth tennis and education programming.

RCTA is one of more than 350 youth development non-profit organizations locations in the NJTL network who provide free or low-cost tennis and education to more than 200,000 under-resourced youth across the country. NJTL was founded by Arthur Ashe, Charlie Pasarell and Sheridan Snyder in 1969. Their vision was to use tennis as a way to gain and hold the attention of young people in hopes they could teach them about matters more important than sport.

In Rockingham County, we partner with after school providers and summer day camps to connect tennis and education with weekly group tennis clinics and the USTA Foundation Academic Creative Enrichment (ACE) curriculum. Our partners include Rockingham County Schools, Rockingham County Youth Services, Eden and Reidsville Family YMCAs, Boys & Girls Club of Eden, Eden Parks & Recreation Department, Madison-Mayodan Recreation Department, New Reidsville Housing Authority, Reidsville Parks and Recreation Department, Rockingham Community College, Salvation Army of Rockingham County, and Community Baptist Schools. In 2018, over 300 youth ages 6-18, participated in our NJTL summer and after school programming across Rockingham County.

Our NJTL chapter is supported by grants from USTA NC, North Carolina Tennis Foundation, Southern Tennis Patrons Foundation, USTA Foundation, Reidsville Area Foundation, and the Rockingham County Community Foundation.

Rockingham County Tennis Association will be recognized Saturday, January 26, 2019 during the NC Tennis Foundation's Hall of Fame Dinner at the Carolina Hotel in Pinehurst.





Rockingham County Tennis Association (RC Tennis) is a USTA community tennis association and registered NJTL chapter that provides programs, education, and events to promote and develop the growth of tennis in Rockingham County, NC. Our motto is "Get Fit, Make New Friends, Have Fun...Play more tennis in Rockingham County." There are 28 public tennis courts and 53 red ball playground courts across Rockingham County. It's never been easier for families to find themselves in the game of tennis.