

CUNNINGHAM TENNIS PARENT GUIDE

Hi Parents,

Welcome to the **Orange 2** level of our 10 & Under Youth Progression Junior Program at Cunningham Tennis!

In our Orange Level 2 program, players are progressing from the 36 ft red court to the 60 ft orange court. This class will build on your child's athletic skills while integrating more complex movement and footwork. We will introduce a variety of fun and competitive games to develop strong tennis fundamentals. Progression to next level is dependent on skill acquisition competency determined by periodic assessments from coaches and Director of Tennis.

COURT & EQUIPMENT

Your child will be playing on a 60 ft court with an orange low compression ball. The orange ball is slightly faster than the red ball but also bounces lower keeping it at the optimal strike zone for your child.

25" racquet is required

RULES

- Always bring your racquet!
- Wear comfortable clothing and sneakers.
- Bring a water bottle with you to every class.
- Parents are NOT allowed on the courts except for the last 5 minutes to briefly speak to the coach about their child's goals and progress.

CONNECT WITH US

- Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @cunninghamtennis
- Make sure your contact email is current on Court Reserve to receive any communications including announcements, upcoming events, & special offers.
- For a more expanded version of this guide please visit: cunninghamtennis.com/parentguide/

CLASS STRUCTURE

Each session will be structured into 4 basic components:

1. Warm-up for athletic skills development
2. Drills for tennis skills development
3. Games for individual character and team skills development
4. Wrap-Up to review the lesson learned and homework assigned

PROGRAM GOALS AND THEMES

Our goal is to develop the necessary athletic, tennis, and character skills to progress to the next level in our youth progression, Orange 1.

Here are a few themes we will cover during the program:

1. Footwork & court coverage
2. Athleticism
3. Consistency
4. Change of direction
5. Pace and spin
6. On the run
7. Defense
8. Net attack
9. Serve and Return
10. Match play

TIPS & ADVICE

- Provide as many additional practice opportunities for your young tennis player, **3x a week** is suggested including an additional competition day.
- **Connect and communicate with your child's coach** via email or during the last 5 minutes of your child's lesson to discuss goals, progress, and competitive options.
- Join us at our monthly PACT (Parent Association of Cunningham Tennis) meeting and connect with other parents and learn more about how you can best support your young tennis player.