

Players from COR Tennis will participate in U.S. Open event

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COR Tennis players are taking their game to a higher court.

The award-winning City of Reading (COR) program will take part in the U.S. Open On-Court Experience Sept. 1 in New York.

Twenty-two children (ages 6-14), their parents and COR leaders will get the royal treatment as part of their participation with Net Generation, the USTA's official youth brand.

COR kids will get to walk the Open grounds in the morning during practice sessions before the general public is allowed admission.

They will get the opportunity to play on the courts. One child will be lucky enough to participate in the coin flip for a match assigned to COR's court.

"We are excited to have the Reading Recreation Commission COR Tennis program selected to participate in the Net Generation On Court Experience at the U.S. Open," said Matt Lubas, Reading Recreation Commission supervisor, who will chaperone the group along with Brian Wardhammer, head pro for the RRC's COR program.

"It's a once-in-a-lifetime experience for our players and their families to share together," Lubas said. "It will be a memorable experience for everyone involved."

COR Tennis, sponsored by Fromuth Tennis, was one of more than 60 groups nationwide invited to participate by Net Generation, which empowers and equips kids ages 5-18 to play tennis while providing resources to parents, coaches and providers to help set new standards and drive participation in the game across the country.

COR Tennis chartered a bus for the event with help from grants from USTA Middle States and EPD (Eastern Pennsylvania District).

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