YOUTH PROGRESSION

HOW TO CLEAR EACH LEVEL
Your mission is to collect 20 stars and/or trophies to advance to the next level.

HOW TO COLLECT STARS/TROPHIES

1 Tournament = ★ ★ ★ ★

Team Tennis Season = ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Tournament Champion = ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Tournament Finalist = ★ ★ ★

GEAR

Court
60’x21’ (Singles)
60’x27’ (Doubles)

Racquet
Up to 25”

Tennis Ball
Orange Felt

Youth under
11 years old begin
at the Orange Level

Progress to Green Level by earning any
combination of
20 stars and trophies

Participate in
tournaments titled
“Youth Progression” to
earn stars and trophies

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Players completing
Orange Level will then
progress to the
Green Level

Progress to Yellow
Level by earning
any combination of
20 stars and trophies

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THE 10 AND UNDER TENNIS YOUTH PROGRESSION

YOUR MISSION: THE QUEST FOR STARS AND TROPHIES

Youth Progression serves as a guide for coaches, parents and players to ensure that kids 10 and under participate in events using the appropriate ball for their skill level. Now that balls and courts are tailored to a players level, children can improve and have fun right from the start.

Kids love playing games. That’s why we’re applying gaming principles to 10 and Under Tennis. The mission is to clear each level by collecting a combination of 20 virtual participation stars and/or trophies. Best of all, players can track their progress on TennisLink’s My Player Page. The more they play, and the more they improve their skills and clear each level, the more stars and trophies they accumulate.

The minimum age to start playing an Orange Ball Progression Tournament is 7 years old. Players 6 and under are encouraged to participate in Play Days, Junior Team Tennis and Junior Tournaments using the red ball. On the first day of a player’s 11th birthday month, he or she will automatically advance out of the Youth Tennis Progression tracking system.

The Youth Progression requirements are minimum recommendations for competitions. Players are encouraged to stay at their current level until they have fully developed their skill set for that specific court and ball. Remember, it’s not a race to the yellow ball!

Have Questions or Need More Information?

For more information about USTA Youth Progression in the Midwest Section, contact Michael Hughes at Michael@midwest.usta.com or (317) 669-0446.

You can also reach out to your local USTA/Midwest Section District office. Contact information for all district Junior Tennis Coordinators can be found online at: http://www.midwest.usta.com/districts