Understanding the Role Parents Play in Junior Tennis: Phase 2 Survey of CTC Coaches

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INTRODUCTION

•Parents are controversial subject today in youth sport. USA Tennis High Performance coaches frequently report problems with parents including shying away from competition, pressuring, and interfering with coaching.
•Yet, coaches recognize that parents are essential to developing the talent of young tennis players. They also have the ability to teach life lessons and skills through the sport.
•A paradox exists. Parents need to be involved and yet not too involved where they are detrimental to the experience youth have in tennis.
•Little scientific information exists regarding parenting junior tennis players.

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