



USTA Boys' 18 & 16 National Championships  
August 5-14, 2011 Kalamazoo College  
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## **BECOME A BALL RUNNER FOR THE 2011 USTA BOYS' NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

### **KIDS 9 YEARS AND OLDER ARE ELIGIBLE**

The **2011 USTA Boys' 18 and 16 National Championships** will be held on **August 5-14, 2011**. One reason the tournament is so great is because of our terrific ball runners and ball runner management team. It would be awesome to have you be a part of this nationally-famous event. **You are sure to have a lot of fun!**

#### **Here's the scoop:**

Ball runners work in teams to retrieve balls for the players during matches on the three top courts at Kalamazoo College's Stowe Stadium throughout the entire 10 days of the tournament. Teams will be assigned one of three shifts each day: morning (8:00 – 11:30 am), mid-day (11:30 am – 3:00 pm), or afternoon (3:00 – 6:30 pm). The shifts are shorter and fewer as the tournament progresses and there are fewer matches to play.

#### **Follow these easy steps to become part of the action.**

1. **Fill out a registration form** and email or mail it to Karen Hassevoort by **May 31<sup>st</sup>!** Forms are attached, and are available to download at [ustaboys.com](http://ustaboys.com). On your registration form, please list names of other ball runners you would like to be on your team. We will make every effort to honor your requests.
2. **Attend mandatory kick-off meeting** for **NEW and RETURNING** ball runners and a parent at the Markin Racquet Center (corner of Academy and Catherine Streets on the Campus of Kalamazoo College) on **Thursday, June 2, from 7:30 - 8:00 pm!** We will explain responsibilities and answer questions.
3. **June - attend open training sessions.** There will be **newly designed and formatted** training sessions for both new and returning ball runners throughout the month of June every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 7:00 - 8:30 pm at Stowe Stadium. (In case of rain, training will be held at Markin Racquet Center).
  - **New and 1 year experienced ball runners** should attend at least six of these sessions.
  - **Returning ball runners** should attend at least two of these sessions.
4. **July - train with your team.** For practices during July, you will be assigned to a team and your team will have opportunities to train together Tuesday **or** Thursday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 pm at Stowe Stadium.
5. **August – final training, meeting and THE TOURNAMENT.** There will be practice for all teams on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at Stowe Stadium, and a meeting for all teams at 7:00 pm on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> outside Markin Center (to distribute uniforms and additional tournament information).

Please contact Karen Hassevoort at 269.569.5160 or [khassevoort@gmail.com](mailto:khassevoort@gmail.com) or Alex Liou at 269.830.2877 or [aliou2011@gmail.com](mailto:aliou2011@gmail.com) or the Tournament Office at 269.337.7343 with any questions. **Please remember to return your forms as soon as possible, May 31<sup>st</sup> at the latest!** We look forward to having you join us!

  
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