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USTA Names Joe Arias of Center Moriches to 2013 No-Cut Coach All-Star Team

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The United States Tennis Association has announced the 2013 No-Cut Coach All-Star Team, recognizing 12 exceptional middle and high school coaches who implement a "no-cut" policy which welcomes all interested students to be a part of their school's tennis team. Among the honorees is Coach Joe Arias of Center Moriches High School in Center Moriches, N.Y.

The No-Cut Coach All-Star Team was established this year to recognize a select group of coaches nationwide for their special achievements in offering a "No-Cut Tennis" policy. Coaches are nominated by their respective USTA Section.

"These recipients embody what it means to be an advocate for our sport," said Jason Jamison, national manager, USTA Schools. "We are proud to recognize their efforts to ensure players of all levels are part of a team."

In addition to Arias, members of the 2013 No-Cut Coach All-Star Team include:

- ▶ John Cyrus - El Dorado High School in Placentia, Calif.
- ▶ Laura Ecton - Poudre High School in Fort Collins, Colo.
- ▶ Kenneth Griffith - Henry E. Lackey High School in Indian Head, Md.
- ▶ Ryan Hoag - Washburn High School in Minneapolis, Minn.
- ▶ Richard Johnson - La Cueva High School in Albuquerque, N.M.
- ▶ Ryan Knarr - Conrad Weiser High School in Robeson, Penn.
- ▶ Kevin Knoch - Perry High School in Massillon, Ohio
- ▶ Deanne Larsell - Benson High School in Portland, Ore.
- ▶ David Riedmayer - Beaufort High School in Beaufort, S.C.
- ▶ Troy Saulsbury - Kearney High School in Kearney, Neb.
- ▶ Vonda Harris-Webb - Grand Prairie High School in Grand Prairie, Tex.

Since 2006, more than 4,000 tennis coaches nationwide have made a commitment to offering a no-cut policy, with some programs including more than 100 team members on a high school team. The coaches of these teams serve as positive role models and make a difference by spending the extra time and effort to ensure that young players experience the fun and fulfillment of playing tennis and participating in a school sport.