



SquashSmarts 2005 Annual Appeal

Dear friends and patrons,

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I write to you this holiday season to ask you to support the academic and athletic dreams of our outstanding children by contributing to the SquashSmarts Annual Fund.

For five years, SquashSmarts has created minor miracles in the classroom and on the squash court. Each day, the methods employed by our staff and volunteers inspire confidence, build teamwork and ultimately improve our students' lives. But don't take our word for it; the boys and girls from West Philadelphia can tell you how well SquashSmarts is working...



Toni Glover, a four-year veteran, declared **"SquashSmarts showed me that before I can lead, I must be able to follow... Last year, I got the power and knowledge I need to concentrate and be a leader in school."**

Donte Lambert, a 7th grader, shared a powerful insight with his tutor: **"It's been a pleasure how you teach me how to read. I wasn't a strong reader at first, but you taught me and I improve... Thank you."**

Tempest Bowden won the Girls U17 Urban Squash Nationals and thus became SquashSmarts' first national champion! As a result, the talented 10th grader attended Jon Power's Dartmouth squash camp which opened up a new world to her: **"It was amazing walking around camp at night with friends... I can't do that at home. It's not safe."**

SquashSmarts Player-of-the-Year, **Lamin Conteh** attended the Princeton Squash Camp and the College Settlement Youth Camp – his first overnight experiences! **The two camps were awarded to him for his perfect attendance, stellar attitude, and outstanding effort throughout the year.**

Jasmin Wingate proudly admits **"After getting the help I needed at SquashSmarts, I've done ten times better in school and gotten on the honor roll my last two report cards!"**



These are only a few of the great faces behind the program. In fact, thirty-five similar success stories are emerging from within the walls of SquashSmarts at Drexel University. I invite you to join us this season and help give each of our students their 'best shot'.

Thank you for your support.

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