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QuickSTAR’s Exciting August in Progress

Ivy, Virginia (8/15/2023) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is thrilled to report QuickSTAR and Go Bananas! role model Ilyas Fahim is having a very busy and exciting August. This week he travels to Virginia Tech to start his first year of college and join the Men’s Tennis Team. Then in two weeks, he goes to New York to compete in the U.S. Open Juniors tournament, which begins on August 31. In between the two, he plans to play in an International Tennis Federation (ITF) tournament in College Park, MD and fit in some training before the Open. Ilyas is no stranger to travel, however, as he has competed in tennis tournaments in numerous countries, including in 2023 alone, Canada, Dominican Republic, Egypt, England, Italy, Mexico, Romania, Tunisia, and of course, the United States. He is currently ranked #81 in the world in the ITF junior rankings and has been ranked as high as #77.



To commemorate his initial U.S. Open appearance, we presented Ilyas with a 2023 U.S. Open poster at ACAC Four Seasons in Charlottesville, where we first met him. He was only four years old and came to play tennis in a QuickStart Play Day event in his pajamas. His mom remembers he was too excited to change his clothes. We remember his smiling face and of course, the pajamas.

Lynda Harrill, QCV Founder, says, “Ilyas is still as excited about tennis as he was 13+ years ago. That smile of his tells it all. He has an awesome attitude on and off the court. We expect great things from Ilyas as he competes in college and beyond!”

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QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia is an all-volunteer, grassroots Community Tennis Association established in 2009 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization to promote, develop and grow QuickStart Tennis in the heart of Virginia for all beginners, especially underserved youth, using the kid-sized QuickStart Tennis format. QCV's service area includes Albemarle, Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Campbell, Charlotte, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Franklin, Greene, Greenville, Halifax, Henry, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Mecklenburg, Nelson, Nottoway, Orange, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Powhatan, Prince Edward, and Rappahannock counties and the cities of Charlottesville, Danville and Martinsville. Through tennis, we create happy, healthy, active and literate kids in the communities we serve.

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