

Student Feedback

“Lionel is an excellent coach and it has been a privilege to work with him throughout the years. He has done so much to improve my game and helped me get to where I am.”

– **Zoya Honarmand**

“He is not just a coach to me, he has been a father figure and when I needed protection, discipline and someone to laugh with he was there. He has helped me to achieve what I had set out to achieve.” - Nerissa Peterson- Paul

“...I believe my tennis improved the most when I was with Lionel. And I want to thank him for all his efforts and patience.” – **Jibade Thomas**

“Lionel is the only coach I would ever advice for anyone. He is capable of being a coach, a father figure, a mentor, a disciplinarian, a confidant and a friend. He has helped me so much and been there for me when I needed him. He pushed me when I needed someone to push me and helped me see things more clearly. He taught me how to be a tennis player and a person. Thank you, Lionel.”

- **Sylvia Jaros**

Ontario Tennis Federation- Under 12: #5, Under 14: #4, Under 16: #1, Under 18: #7.
ITF Junior World Ranking #536 (Doubles #534)

“I have been with Lionel since I’ve started playing tennis and he is the main reason why I made it this far today. He is literally the best coach I’ve had, I’ve seen other coaches and have been coached by them and still Lionel comes out on top. The great thing about Lionel is that he is not just a tennis coach; he gets to know you and cares about your life period. Lionel to me is a family figure, a second father that always shoes dedication and love to me and my success. I wish the best to any upcoming junior that chooses Lionel as their coach because it is a path that won’t fail.” – **Quinton Peterson-Paul**

“I would be where I am today if it wasn’t for Lionel. He’s done so much for me; he’s determined, dedicated and inspiring. Not only did I learn on court, he took the time to teach me off court as well. He is a coach, mentor and a great friend.” – Janelle Small

“I have known Lionel all my life. To say he’s an inspirational man and a father figure is an understatement. He is simply amazing!” – **Shereen Peterson-Paul**

“Lionel is inspiring. If you have the will to do it he will provide you with the tools you need to get to where you want to be. As a coach he exceeds your expectations and not only helps you become a better player, through his example you learn to become a better person. Lionel is someone you can count on. His actions speak more than words can say.”

– April Rasing

“I met Lionel back in 2008 and he immediately had an impact on my life. His excellence in coaching improved my tennis which is the reason for me getting an opportunity to play Division I collegiate tennis in the U.S. Lionel has been more than a coach to me, he has been a friend who has helped me anytime I had difficulty, on and off the court. He cares about you as if you are family and I couldn't have asked for a better mentor. Thank Lionel for everything you have done for me.” – **Advait Kirtane**

“Lionel Eli was the best tennis coach I've ever had. He always seemed to know what was wrong with my game and was able to raise my level of play dramatically over the years. Besides helping me on the court, he also provided me with a lot of support off the court. I always felt better about my game, and myself, after talking with Lionel. I would definitely recommend him to any tennis player seeking to reach the next level of their game.”

– Lakshmana Satchithanathan