2024 Holiday Classic Important Player Information

U.S. Kids Golf Participants,

We look forward to seeing you and your family in Florida for the <u>2024 U.S. Kids Golf Holiday Classic</u>. This year's field features over 340 players from 27 states and 15 different countries! Included below are all the details you need to prepare for your week in Palm Beach Gardens.

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Tournament Information and use of Cell Phones

All tournament information (Local Rules, Hole Locations, Tee Sheets, etc.) will be made available online. At starting tees, players will only receive scorecards. There will be no other paper information handed out. Players and caddies will be permitted to use their cell phones to access the information during their rounds. Cell phones may only be used during the round to access tournament info, call the rules hotline, access GPS yardage apps, or in the case of emergency. Cell phones may not be used for any other purpose.

Golf Genius

Boys 13-14 and Girls 13-14, Girls 12 and Girls 11 on the Palmer Course and Boys 12 and Boys 11 on the Fazio Course will utilize electronic live scoring via the Golf Genius App. Your online scorecard will serve as your official scorecard this week. More information, including your unique GGID, will be emailed to competitors soon. We advise players in these age groups to download the Golf Genius App before arriving to PGA National and to come to each round with their phones fully charged. The use of Golf Genius allows scores to be updated in real time on uskidsgolf.com, so parents, spectators, and supporters can keep up with the action. All other age groups will use paper scorecards.

U.S. Kids Golf Text Messages

Throughout the Holiday Classic, parents will receive important event updates via text message. The messages will include tee time updates, results, and potential play suspensions due to weather.

Course Addresses

PGA National Golf Resort & Spa

400 Avenue of the Champions Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418

Player Registration*

Player Check-in:

- Dec. 20th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm in the Masters Ballroom.
- Dec. 21st from 6:45am to 12:00pm in the Masters Ballroom.

*Players only need to attend one of the registration periods prior to Round 1. For Round 2, players will simply check in at their starting tee, 10 minutes prior to their tee time.

Caddie Bibs

Players now receive a universal U.S. Kids Golf caddie bib that they will keep and use for all future U.S. Kids Golf events. Additionally, an iron-on patch with the tournament logo will be available at every Major Championship. These patches will be available for no charge, and are designed to be worn as "pride stickers" for each event played.

If you have already received a caddie bib, please remember to bring it with you to the event.

Players that have preordered his/her last name for the back of the caddie bib will be able to pick up the name and caddie bib at Player Registration.

Dress Code

Only acceptable golf attire is permitted. PLAYERS AND CADDIES are prohibited from wearing shoes with metal spikes, short shorts, swimwear, denim of any kind, t-shirts, or tank tops. Shirts must be tucked in at all times. Players and caddies not appropriately attired will not be permitted to participate.

REQUIRED DRESS AT THE GOLF COURSE:

- Hats/visors must be worn with brim forward
- Males must remove hat/visor while indoors
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- Girls' fitted shirts do not have to be tucked in, but should be an appropriate length

PROHIBITED DRESS AT THE GOLF COURSE:

- Tank tops, T-shirts
- Denim
- Short shorts, skorts or skirts that are too short
- Cut-off shorts
- Gym shorts or pants

Proper attire is required at all times at the host facility. This includes practice rounds and Awards Ceremonies. Questionable attire will be reviewed by the Tournament Committee. Should a host golf course or resort have a stricter dress code, its policy will take precedence. Players and caddies in violation will not be allowed to tee off.

Care for the Course

U.S. Kids Golf is committed to keeping our host tournament sites in the best condition possible. During the round, we encourage players and caddies to fill or replace their divots, repair ball marks and dispose of trash properly. These simple things will keep the course in better condition and leave the host facility with a positive impression of junior golf and U.S. Kids Golf families. Thank you for helping make a positive impact on the golf course.

Caddie Use of Carts

18-hole players and caddies may not use carts for play at U.S. Kids Golf Regional Championships. All players must walk during play of each hole at all events. Penalty: Two strokes per hole at which any breach occurred; Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

9-hole caddies may rent a cart for use during play (Cart Path Only). A 9-hole player must walk the duration of the hole and may **only** use the cart to be shuttled from green to the next tee box. The caddie may leave the bag on the cart or carry it on the course for the player when needed. Penalty: Two strokes per hole at which any breach occurred; Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

Spectator Carts and Fees

Spectator carts may be rented from the PGA National Golf Shop. **Carts will be rented for a cost of \$40 for 18-holes and \$25 for 9-holes and are Cart Path Only.** All spectator carts are permitted to have only two passengers riding at any given time and must adhere to the U.S. Kids Golf Spectator Policy. **Driver must have a valid Driver's License to operate the golf cart.** Please be aware that the golf courses have a limited number of carts available to rent.

Please Note: <u>Only one cart is allowed per player</u> and carts may be rented no earlier than 60 minutes before a player's round. Carts must be returned immediately following the round.

Practice Round Information

Official practice rounds are available on December 20^{th} . Tee times may be booked at $561.627.2000 \times 0.5555$. Practice round times before December 20^{th} , can be booked at the Resort rates.

18 holes - \$110 (practice round includes cart, same price if walking)
9 holes - \$72 (practice round includes cart, same price if walking)

All AM tee times must ride.

Driving Range

The cost of pre-round practice balls on tournament days is included in the entry fee.

Family Night - Glow Golf Putting Course

U.S. Kids Golf will be hosting a special holiday Family Night on Wednesday, December 20th, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Players and families are invited to a Night Glow Golf Putting Challenge, which will be held on the Main Putting Green! Come and enjoy some Hot Chocolate and Lemonade while the Putting Challenge takes place.

Tee Times

Players will be paired randomly the first round and by score for the final round, unless weather conditions prohibit this. Tee times for the first round will be posted on our website, at registration and around the golf course by **noon on Thursday, December 19th**.

Times for the final round will be posted on our website and at the golf course approximately one hour after the completion of play for each age/gender division. Please do not call the front desk of the hotel seeking tee time information. Players and parents are advised to look at pairings sheets personally to assure accuracy of tee times.

Award Ceremonies

The awards will be presented shortly after each age group has finished and the scores are posted on Tuesday. The top five finishers and ties in each age group will receive an award. A schedule of Awards Ceremonies and location information will be posted Wednesday morning.

Junior Golf Scoreboard

U.S. Kids Golf will report Holiday Classic scores to <u>Junior Golf Scoreboard</u> for boys 11 and older and girls 11 and older. Junior Golf Scoreboard is a ranking system that groups players by high school graduation year.



AJGA Performance Based Entry

Champions in Boys 11, Boys 12, Boys 13-14, Girls 11, Girls 12 and Girls 13-14 divisions will earn **two** AJGA Performance Stars. Top 5 in Boys 11, Boys 12 and Boys 13-14 will earn **one** Performance Star. Top 3 in Girls 11, Girls 12 and Girls 13-14 will also receive **one** Performance Star.



Priority Status

When your young player participates in U.S. Kids Golf events, they have the opportunity to earn Priority Status – a qualification that determines when players receive invitations for multi-day events.

Upcoming Events

There are several events currently open for registration. Please visit the <u>U.S. Kids Golf Regional</u> <u>Championships Schedule</u> for more information. Field size is limited, so make sure you don't miss these great events!

Event Staff

Tournament Director - Corey Floyd

Assistant Tournament Director - Jay Scott

Tournament Ops/Volunteers – Josie Headrick

Tournament Communications – Rachel Wohn

Match Course Director – Jon Bullas, Sarasota LT

Match Course Director – Connor Murphy, U.S. Kids Golf

Fazio Course Director – Jennifer Law, Southeast Florida LT

Fazio Course Director – Tom Shea, Tampa LT

Palmer Course Director – Dona Lerner, U.S. Kids Golf

Palmer Course Director – Kathy Bounds, U.S. Kids Golf

U.S. Kids Golf Senior Rules Official - Charlie Lanzetta, PGA

We look forward to seeing you at the Holiday Classic!

