



GOLF TEAM GUIDELINES



ELIGIBILITY RULES

- A. THE MCKINNEY HIGH SCHOOL GOLF PROGRAM WILL ABIDE BY THE U.I.L. ELIGIBILITY RULE (NO PASS; NO PLAY) AS DO ALL OTHER HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS SANCTIONED BY THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE. THIS WILL IMPLEMENT THE 3-STRIKE POLICY.
- B. AMATEUR RULE 1-2: AMATEUR STATUS IS A UNIVERSAL CONDITION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR PLAYING IN GOLF COMPETITIONS AS AN AMATEUR GOLFER. A PERSON WHO ACTS CONTRARY TO THE RULES MAY FORFEIT HIS AMATEUR STATUS AND AS A RESULT WILL BE INELIGIBLE TO PLAY IN AMATEUR COMPETITIONS.
- C. EACH INDIVIDUAL GOLFER IS ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN EIGHT INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENTS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR, AS LONG AS OUR DISTRICT TOURNAMENT REMAINS A 36 HOLE EVENT.

PRACTICE INFORMATION

- A. PRACTICE BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 2:15 pm COURSE DAYS; 2:00 PM AT COURSE WARMING UP.
- B. GOLF ATTIRE REQUIRED ON COURSE DAYS; NO T-SHIRTS, GYM SHORTS, LEGGINGS ALLOWED.
- C. PLAYERS ARE EXPECTED TO BE AT PRACTICE EVERYDAY. ILLNESS AND EMERGENCY SITUATIONS DO ARISE. PLAYERS ARE EXPECTED TO NOTIFY COACH MORRIS OR COACH DEANDA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOU ARE GOING TO MISS PRACTICE FOR ANY REASON.
- D. ATTENDANCE WILL BE TAKEN EVERY DAY AT THE COURSE. **FOR THE ABSENCE TO BE EXCUSED, A DOCTOR'S NOTES MUST BE PRESENTED UPON RETURN.** OTHERWISE, THE ABSENCE WILL BE UNEXCUSED AND APPLIED TO OUR 3-STRIKE POLICY.

PREPARING FOR PRACTICE AND TOURNAMENTS

- A. IN PRACTICE, AS WELL AS IN COMPETITIVE EVENTS, A PLAYER'S ACTIONS AND WORDS ARE TO REPRESENT MCKINNEY HIGH SCHOOL IN A MANNER THAT EXEMPLIFIES CLASS, ETIQUETTE, AND AN APPRECIATION FOR THE PRIVILEGE THAT EACH PLAYER HAS TO PLAY ON THE MCKINNEY HS GOLF TEAM.
- B. GOLF ATTIRE AND FOOTWEAR SHOULD BE COMFORTABLE AND APPLICABLE TO THE WEATHER CONDITIONS. LIGHT COLORS IN THE HEAT; LAYERS IN THE COLD.
- C. IT IS VERY EASY IN TEXAS, AT CERTAIN TIMES OF THE YEAR, TO BECOME DE- HYDRATED ON THE GOLF COURSE. DOCTORS AND ATHLETIC TRAINERS RECOMMEND THAT YOU DRINK 16-20 OUNCES OF WATER ONE TO TWO HOURS PRIOR TO OUTDOOR ACTIVITY. DURING YOUR TIME OUTDOORS, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU DRINK 6-12 OUNCES EVERY 10-15 MINUTES.

- D. ONCE AT PRACTICE OR DURING A TOURNAMENT, IF YOU BEGIN TO FEEL DIZZY OR ILL, NOTIFY THE COACH IMMEDIATELY. DO NOT TRY TO CONTINUE IF YOU DO NOT FEEL WELL.
- E. CHECK YOUR CLUBS REGULARLY TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE IN GOOD USABLE CONDITION FOR PRACTICE OR PLAY. CLUBS AND/OR GRIPS THAT ARE IN POOR CONDITION NEED TO BE REPAIRED. CLEAN CLUBS HIT CLEAN SHOTS.

TRAVEL TO PRACTICE

- A. A SIGNED PERMISSION SLIP WILL ALLOW GOLF TEAM MEMBERS TO TRANSPORT THEMSELVES AND OTHER YOUNGER PLAYERS (AS PRE-ARRANGED) TO OUR SCHEDULED PRACTICE COURSES.
- B. EXERCISE CAUTION WHEN DRIVING TO THE PRACTICE COURSES; OBSERVE THE POSTED SPEED LIMITS. YOU WILL HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO MAKE IT TO PRACTICE ON TIME AS LONG AS YOU DO NOT MAKE UNNECESSARY STOPS.

TUTORIAL INFORMATION

THE MHS GOLF PROGRAM IS SET UP TO ALLOW ATHLETES TO PARTICIPATE IN MORNING TUTORIALS WHEN TUTORING IS NECESSARY OR THE STUDY LOAD IS OVERWHELMING TO A PLAYER. THE MCKINNEY ISD ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT IS COMMITTED TO ENSURING OUR ATHLETES HAVE THE BEST CHANCE OF SUCCEEDING AND MAINTAINING THEIR UIL ELIGIBILITY.

THE CONSEQUENCES FOR NOT MAINTAINING THE STANDARD ELIGIBILITY COULD RESULT IN THE INABILITY TO COMPETE IN COMPETITIONS AND LETTING YOUR TEAM MEMBERS DOWN.

IT IS THE STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO ATTEND TUTORING SESSIONS WHEN NECESSARY. TUTORING SCHEDULES CAN BE FOUND ON TEACHER WEBSITES OR JUST ASK YOUR TEACHER.

TEAM IMAGE AND BEHAVIOR

BECAUSE OF GOLF BEING AN OFF-CAMPUS SPORT, WE ARE IN MANY WAYS MORE VISIBLE TO THE PUBLIC AND THUS PERHAPS SUBJECT TO MORE SCRUTINY THAN SOME OF THE OTHER SPORTS. IT IS THEREFORE CRITICAL TO THE CONTINUED SUCCESS OF THE MCKINNEY HS GOLF PROGRAM THAT WE REPRESENT OURSELVES AND OUR SCHOOL ON AND OFF THE COURSE IN THE BEST POSSIBLE MANNER THAT WE CAN.

A. EXPECTED BEHAVIOR FOR TOURNAMENTS, PRACTICE, AND TRAVEL.

1. REPRESENT YOURSELF AND MCKINNEY HIGH SCHOOL IN AN APPROPRIATE MANNER. YOUR ACTIONS SHOULD ALWAYS SHOW THE QUALITIES OF GOOD CHARACTER AND SPORTSMANSHIP.
2. SCHOOL ISSUED ATTIRE WILL BE WORN AT ALL TIMES DURING TOURNAMENT PLAY. COLLARED SHIRTS WILL BE TUCKED IN WITH A BELT (BOYS ONLY). HATS ARE TO BE WORN FACING FORWARD.

3. IMPROPER LANGUAGE, TEMPER TANTRUMS, AND CLUB THROWING: IF THIS BEHAVIOR HAPPENS DURING TOURNAMENT PLAY, A PENALTY OF 2 STROKES WILL BE ASSESSED BY ONE OF THE COACHES FOR THE 1ST VIOLATION: DQ FOR THE 2ND VIOLATION. 3RD VIOLATION, THE 3 STRIKE POLICY WILL BE IMPLEMENTED.
4. UNEXCUSED ABSENCE FROM GOLF PRACTICE WILL NOT BE PERMITTED. THE 3 STRIKE POLICY WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IF AN UNEXCUSED ABSENCE OCCURS.
5. DISHONESTY: 3 STRIKE POLICY IMPLEMENTED. IF DISHONESTY OCCURS DURING THE COURSE OF PLAY, THE PLAYER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR THE ROUND AND THE REMAINDER OF THE COMPETITION; IN ADDITION TO THE PENALTIES OF THE 3 STRIKE POLICY.
6. PLAYERS WILL STRICTLY ADHERE TO THE MCKINNEY ISD STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT POLICIES ON DRUGS, ALCOHOL, AND TOBACCO.

3 STRIKE POLICY

VIOLATION OF #S 3-6 OF THE EXPECTATIONS ABOVE WILL IMPLEMENT THE PROGRESSION OF THE 3 STRIKE POLICY.

3 STRIKE PROGRESSION:

1. STRIKE: 1 TOURNAMENT SUSPENSION; PRACTICE ONLY UNTIL SUSPENSION IS SERVED.
2. STRIKE: SEMESTER SUSPENSION; **PRACTICE ONLY DURING THE PERIOD** UNTIL SUSPENSION IS SERVED.
3. STRIKE: REMOVAL FROM THE PROGRAM.

OTHER DISCIPLINE SITUATIONS, WITHIN THE MCKINNEY HIGH SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT AS INTREPRETED BY THE ADMINISTRATION **CAN CAUSE IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM PROGRAM.**

EXPECTED CARE OF SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

- A. TEAM SHIRTS AND/OR JACKETS THAT ARE ISSUED TO PLAYERS WILL BE LAUNDERED ACCORDING TO THE DIRECTIONS FOUND ON THE TAG OF THE GARMENT.
- B. AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR, ALL SCHOOL ISSUED EQUIPMENT WILL BE RETURNED AND INVENTORIED. DAMAGED EQUIPMENT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR RETURN AND WILL BE REPLACED AT THE PLAYER'S EXPENSE. MISSING OR LOST EQUIPMENT WILL BE REPLACED AT THE PLAYER'S EXPENSE.

LETTERING REQUIREMENTS

PLAYERS MUST ACCUMULATE A TOTAL OF (6) POINTS FOR THE YEAR.

- ½ POINT: QUALIFYING FOR A VARSITY TOURNAMENT (PLAYERS 1-10)
- ½ POINT: PLAYERS WHOSE SCORE IS COUNTED PER ROUND TOWARD THE TEAM SCORE IN A VARSITY TOURNAMENT.



GUIDELINES SIGNATURE PAGE



WE, THE UNDERSIGNED PLAYER, AND PLAYER'S PARENTS HAVE READ AND COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THE EXPRESSED GUIDELINES OF THE MCKINNEY HIGH SCHOOL GOLF PROGRAM, AND HEREBY AGREE TO THESE AS A PREREQUISITE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE GOLF PROGRAM.

PLAYER SIGNATURE _____ DATE: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____ DATE: _____

PLAYER PHONE NUMBER _____

PLAYER E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

PARENT PHONE NUMBER _____

PARENT E-MAIL ADDRESS _____