REGION DATES, SITE, AND START TIMES

The 2019 PIAA East Region Golf Championships will be played on the Golden Oaks Golf Club, Fleetwood, PA. 18-hole competition will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 14, 2019. The rain date is Tuesday, October 15, 2019.

The 2019 PIAA West Region Golf Championships will be played on the Tom's Run Golf Course, Blairsville, PA. 18-hole competition will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 15, 2019. The rain date is Wednesday, October 16, 2019.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY INTO PIAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2019 PIAA Girls’ and Boys’ Team and Individual Golf Championships (“2019 PIAA Golf Championships”) shall be conducted pursuant to all applicable By-Laws, Policies and Procedures, and Rules and Regulations of PIAA. Additionally, it is important that the Principal, Athletic Director, and head girls’ and boys’ golf Coaches and all individuals that will participate in the 2019 PIAA Golf Championships and all persons who will have responsibilities involving these activities be fully informed of the policies and procedures described herein. It is also necessary that everyone associated with these championships comply with all policies and procedures without exception. Failure to comply may result in removal from the 2019 PIAA Golf Championships.

PIAA member schools are not required to enter PIAA championship events. Entry and participation in the 2019 PIAA Golf Championships are voluntary. Entry into the 2019 PIAA Golf Championships signifies that the member school accepts the fact that the PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director’s designee, reserves the right to make changes in the date and location of the East Region and West Region sites, and management, operation, schedule, and site of the 2019 PIAA Golf Championships if, in the judgment of the Executive Director, or the Executive Director’s designee, it becomes necessary to do so.

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Maximum Number of Entries (Qualifiers) to the 2019 PIAA Girls’ and Boys’ Golf Championships Series

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*Indicates District XII only has one (1) school sponsoring girls’ golf in 2A and is combined with District I.

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NOTE: In individual stroke play, a qualifier must score 100 or less to advance to the PIAA Regional Golf Championships and score 100 or less to advance from the PIAA Regional Golf Championships to the PIAA Golf Championships.

REGISTRATION

Registration will be conducted from 8:00 a.m. until 8:45 a.m., on the day of Region competition. Coaches accompanying contestants will be required to serve as forecaddies and/or markers and marshals at the time they register their contestants. A brief organizational meeting for coaches and players will be held no later than 10 minutes prior to the scheduled tee times.
REGION TOURNAMENT FORMAT AND STARTING TIMES

United States Golf Association (USGA) Rules of Golf will govern all play with the exception of existing local golf course rules.

Contestants must report to the starter ten (10) minutes prior to their scheduled starting times. Contestants must be prepared to play in inclement weather. In case of inclement weather, the PIAA Region Golf Championships Tournament Director will decide to play, modify, postpone, or cancel the Tournament depending on the severity of the weather conditions and/or the condition of the golf course.

Contestants in each foursome will play eighteen (18) holes of stroke play, keep the score of an opponent, verify their score and an opponent's score by signing their scorecard and the opponent's scorecard, and submit signed scorecards to the Tournament Scorer at the conclusion of the round.

If required, playoffs to determine the final entry(ies) (qualifier[s]) to the PIAA Golf Championships will be conducted immediately following the conclusion of the Region round. A playoff, if necessary, will begin with an assigned hole, on a sudden victory basis, and will continue until the qualifier(s) is (are) determined. Ties for all other place finishers will remain as earned.

ENTRY FEES

It is the responsibility of each PIAA-member school that has qualified an individual(s) to the PIAA Region Golf Championships to provide payment for the round of competition at the PIAA-negotiated discounted rate of $25 per round. Qualifying schools will be invoiced from the PIAA Office for the appropriate number of rounds completed by golfers representing their school following all competition.

2019 PRACTICE ROUND PROCEDURES AND SCHEDULES FOR REGION QUALIFIERS

Practice or playing on the Region qualifying course on the day of the competition prior to the first tee time is prohibited; the penalty for doing so is disqualification (USGA Rule 5-2). Teams and individual(s) desiring to arrange a Practice round prior to the day of competition at the Region site may do so by calling the respective East Region and West Region golf course pro shops. The contact information for Golden Oaks Golf Club is (610) 944-6000 and the contact information for Tom's Run Golf Course is (724) 459-7191.

PIAA will not provide for a Practice round at the Region site. It is the responsibility of the school to make the necessary arrangements if a Practice round is desired for their qualifier(s).

DRIVING RANGE

The driving range will be made available to contestants on the day of competition. Range balls will be made available at no cost to the qualifiers on the day of competition.

ALTERNATIVE SPIKES

PIAA REQUIRES the use of alternative golf spikes. All players, Coaches, and spectators are PROHIBITED from wearing penetrating metal spikes.

LODGING, TRANSPORTATION, AND MEALS

Lodging is not available at the Region site and will not be provided by PIAA. If needed, a representative of each participating school must make arrangements for lodging and meals, as required, for the school's qualifiers and Coaches. A listing of hotels and motels in both Region areas is available on the PIAA Web site at www.piaa.org.

PARKING

Parking for competing schools and spectators is restricted to the designated parking area of the Region site. Parking on grass surfaces or along access roads to either golf course is prohibited.

CONTESTANTS' ATTIRE

All golf contestants are required to wear appropriate golf attire (i.e. school-issued golf shirt and golf slacks or golf shorts). No exceptions are permitted. T-shirts, altered apparel, jeans, and advertisements (other than one visible logo/trademark not exceeding 2¼ square inches and not exceeding 2¼ inches in any dimension on a school-issued golf shirt, and golf slacks or golf shorts) will not be permitted. The contestants' school name/nickname and/or school logo are permitted on the front and/or back of the school-issued golf shirt and/or cap or visor. Sweaters and/or jackets will be permitted when necessitated by weather conditions.
CONDUCT OF PLAYERS
A two-stroke penalty shall be assessed for conduct unbecoming an interscholastic golfer. Such conduct shall include, but is not limited to, club throwing, defined as releasing club in anger or in a manner to cause harm to any person or to the golf course; use of abusive language; willful acts which damage property or equipment of the golf course; or other unbecoming conduct, as determined by the Tournament Director.

USE OF A CADDIE OR MOTORIZED CART PROHIBITED
The use of a caddie or motorized cart during Practice or competition rounds WILL NOT be permitted. Contestants will be permitted the use of a non-motorizes push cart, or to carry their clubs and will be required to walk the course during the competition round(s).

USE OF RANGE FINDERS DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES
During Regular Season and Postseason golf Contests, players are authorized to use devices that measure or gauge distance only. The device must not be used for any purposes that are prohibited by Rule 14-3, including but not limited to:

- the gauging or measuring of slope;
- the gauging or measuring of other conditions that might affect play (e.g. wind speed or directions);
- recommendations that might assist the player in making a stroke in his play (e.g. club selection, type of shot to be played, green reading or any other advice related matter); or
- calculating the effective distance between two points based on the elevation changes or other conditions affecting shot distance.

A multifunctional device, such as a smartphone or PDA, may be used as a distance measuring-device, but it must not be used to gauge or measure other conditions where doing so would be a breach of Rule 14-3.

USE OF DRONES
For the purposes of this policy, a drone is any unmanned aerial device (“UAV”).

Drones are not permitted above the competition surface or spectator areas during interscholastic Contests, Interschool Practices and Scrimmages. Drones may not be used to scout opposing team Practices. Member schools may utilize drones for their own school team practice sessions based upon their local school policies.

Persons and/or schools violating this Policy shall be subject to sanctions which may be imposed under Sections 5, 6, 7 and/or 9 of ARTICLE XIII, PENALTIES, of the PIAA By-Laws.

Upon timely requests submitted to PIAA, the Executive Director is authorized to grant exceptions to this policy on a case-by-case basis with any host school/facility local policies.

MEDALS AND TROPHIES (REVISED 10/11)
Awards will be presented at the East Region and West Region Golf Tournaments immediately after the completion of play, including sudden victory playoffs, and scores are tabulated. The top three (3) individual finishers in each classification, including ties, for both girls and boys, will receive medals. No playoff will be played for a Region championship (1st place).

GENERAL RULE FOR COACH AND SPECTATOR DECORUM
Coaches and spectators will be permitted to walk the course and may be permitted to ride a cart on the course no closer than ten (10) yards from the contestants during competition.

Coaches and spectators who choose to walk or who are permitted to ride the course BEHIND the contestants, during competition, may do so under the following restrictions:

1. **DO NOT** offer comments or make suggestions to the competitors. **NO COACHING!**

2. **DO NOT** observe play closer than ten (10) yards from the group of competitors being observed.

3. **DO NOT** cross over or observe play from teeing areas, fairways, or putting greens. Play may be observed from cart paths or the “rough” only.
4. **DO NOT** move or talk when a player is addressing the ball or making a stroke.

5. **DO NOT** attempt to decide questions of fact nor attempt to apply the Rules of Golf.

**FORECADDIES, MARKERS, AND MARSHALS**

Coaches accompanying contestants will be required to serve as forecaddies, markers, and/or marshals during the round of competition. One (1) Coach will be assigned to each foursome to:

1. Accompany, in a cart, an assigned group around the course;
2. Forecaddie each hole played by the assigned group;
3. Record on a worksheet **all** strokes for each competitor playing with the assigned group;
4. Marshal parents, spectators, and the media who choose to walk or who are permitted to ride the course **BEHIND** the contestants;
5. Submit a completed and signed score sheet at the conclusion of each round to the Tournament Scorer.

Coaches are advised to bring the following items to the PIAA Region Individual Golf Championships:

1. Pad Holder.
2. Extra pencils with erasers.
3. Appropriate outerwear to protect against the elements (rain gear is required!).
4. Golf shoes with alternative spikes or walking shoes.

Refusal on the part of a Coach to forecaddie, mark, and/or marshal at the respective Region Tournaments shall subject the contestant(s) from the Coach's school to disqualification from the Region Tournament.

**DIRECTIONS TO REGION SITES**

**TOM'S RUN GOLF COURSE**

TRAVELING FROM THE PITTSBURGH PARKWAY TO THE TURNPIKE EAST: EXIT #6 (MONROEVILLE) 60 Minutes. Take Route 22 East. Follow Route 22 East (approximately 45 miles) to Route 119 N (Indiana Exit). At Stop Sign turn left, the Facility is on the Left.

TRAVELING FROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT PITTSBURGH: Route 60 East to Route 376 East. Follow Route 376 East to Route 22 East. Follow Route 22 East (approximately 30 miles). To Route 119 N Indiana Exit. At Stop Sign turn left, the Facility is on the Left.

TRAVELING FROM LATROBE AIRPORT: Route 981 North to Route 22 (New Alexandria). Follow Route 22 East (approximately 20 miles) to Route 119 N Indiana Exit. At Stop Sign turn left, the Facility is on the Left.

USING ROUTE 70E: Route 70 East to New Stanton Exit Route 119 North). Follow Route 119 North to Route 22 East (New Alexandria). Follow Route 22 East (approximately 10 miles). To Route 119 N Indiana Exit. At Stop Sign turn left, the Facility is on the Left. OR Route 119 North to Route 66 North (Toll Road). Follow Route 66 North to Route 22 East Follow Route 22 East (approximately 17 miles) to Route 119 North Indiana Exit At Stop Sign turn, left, the Facility is on the Left.


FROM THE EAST: Take onto US-22 W / WILLIAM PENN HWY toward EBENSBURG. Turn LEFT onto OLD WILLIAM PENN HWY. Turn LEFT onto FAIRVIEW LN. Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto FAIRWAY CT. Facility is on your right.

**GOLDEN OAKS GOLF CLUB**

FROM ALLENTOWN: 78W. to Route 100S. (Exit 49A - Trelleltown) to 222S. to 662S. through the town of Fleetwood. After Fleetwood, approximately 3 miles to Golden Oaks on the left;

FROM READING: Warren St. Bypass to Pricetown Rd. (Route 12). 4.5 miles to second traffic light. Turn right onto 662S. and go 3/10 of a mile to Golden Oaks on the left;

FROM BOYERTOWN: Route 73W. to 662N. Golden Oaks is 13 miles on the left;

From Philadelphia: 76W. to 422W. to 662N. Golden Oaks is 13 miles on the right.

From Lancaster: US 222 N.toward Reading, PA. Merge on to US-422E. US-422E. becomes PA-12N. Turn right onto Memorial Hwy / PA-662. Golden Oaks is 2/10 of a mile on the left;

From Harrisburg: 78E. to 61S. to 73E. to a left onto Pricetown Rd. Approximately 1.5 miles to traffic light. Turn right at the light onto Route 662S. Golden Oaks is 2/10 of a mile on the left.

From PA Turnpike: Exit 22 (Morgantown) to 176N. Follow signs for Reading (422W.). Take Route 12 exit. Stay on this road. It eventually turns into a two-lane road (Pricetown Rd.). At this point, proceed 4.5 miles to second traffic light. Turn right onto 662S. Golden Oaks is 2/10 of a mile on the left.
CONTACT INFORMATION

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