2023-2024 Golf Activity Update

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TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- The IESA assigns tee times for each level of the state series.
- At the sectional tournament, golfers with the lowest 18 hole average will go off first.
- Each participant is responsible for their own sectional greens fees to be paid at the course on the day of the sectional. There are no greens fees for those who qualify for state.
- Individual awards are given to the top 10 boys and girls at sectionals and state. Only ties for 1st place will be broken by a sudden death playoff at the sectional and state tournaments.
- USGA Rules of Golf and IESA Terms and Conditions will be followed.
- Yardage= Boys **4900-5300 yards** and Girls **4200-4600 yards.**

As you look forward to scheduling contests and officials for future years, please keep in mind that the calendar will "roll" in the 2024-2025 school year.
The IESA uses a standardized calendar to schedule dates and seasons. The standardized calendar starts with Week 1 being assigned to the first full week in July. In 2024, the first full week of July begins on Sunday, July 7th.

This shift in dates will alter the dates of seasons and tournaments more than the usual 1 or 2 days. Please make sure that you keep this in mind and check the season starting dates for all activities before beginning practice. In addition, please check the regional/sectional dates before setting your schedule for the 24-25 season.

A ten-year standardized season calendar is available on the IESA website.

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RULES CHANGES AND REMINDERS

- **NEW:** A team competition for both boys and girls has been added in addition to the individual competition. Please see the Golf Terms and Conditions for more information.
- **NEW:** With the addition of a team competition, sectional host schools will be necessary to assist the golf courses with organizing the sectional tournament.
- **NEW:** Continous putting will be used at the sectional and state tournaments.
- The refund deadline for golf is now **August 15**. All requests for a refund for unused spots must be in writing from a school administrator
- Metamora Fields Golf Club will be the state tournament host.
- We are no longer sending a USGA rules book. You can access the rules of golf on the USGA website. https://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/rules-hub.html
- **NEW:** Golf Carts: At state, head coaches may rent a cart if they have two or more golfers participating on that day. Note: Coaches who coach for two separate schools with three or more golfers may not rent a cart.
- **Sectional Weather Delay Policy:** In the case of a weather issue and play cannot continue, play may be suspended until a time that the course is deemed playable. Participants will resume play from the point where they left off.
- **State Weather Delay Policy:** In the case of a weather issue, with 9 holes being the minimum, we will revert to the score with the most holes possible played. For example, if everyone were able to get 13 holes in and we were delayed, we would use the total for the 13 holes. The exception is if no one is able to get the minimum of 9 holes in.
- **Coaching:** Coaches must be in attendance at the sectional and state golf tournaments. Golf coaches will be permitted to coach anywhere on the course except the putting green. Coaches must wait until the last player on the green putts out before communication takes place. All coaches must be designated on the roster by **Monday, August 1.**

IMPORTANT DATES

Entry Deadline	**6/5**
Refund Deadline	**8/15**
Final Entry Deadline	**8/18**
Roster Deadline	**8/28**
Sectional - Boys	**9/6**
Sectional - Girls	**9/7**
State - Girls	**9/14**
State - Boys	**9/15**