



Department of Athletics

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REGION IV-5A GOLF TOURNAMENT

Boys – April 15 & 16, 2024

Girls – April 17 & 18, 2024

Tournament Site:

Champion Lakes Golf Course
2701 S Ware Rd
McAllen, Texas 78503
(956) 681-3444

Congratulations!!!!

For advancing to the Region IV- 5A Regional Golf Tournament

Reminders:

Coaches meeting for boys' tournament: Sunday, April 14, 5:00 p.m. at Champion Lakes Golf Course
Coaches meeting for girls' tournament: Tuesday, April 16, 5:00 p.m. at Champion Lakes Golf Course
Progressive tee times off of #1 and #10 tee boxes beginning at 8:00 a.m. all four days.

\$850.00 per team
\$170.00 per individual

**Please make checks payable to:
McAllen ISD Athletic Department**

Practice Rounds are to be scheduled through the golf course and **payment of practice rounds including cart are included in the entry fee.** Please plan accordingly and reserve your tee time as soon as possible to secure your preferred tee time.

Please forward all information as needed to your Head Coaches, Principals, and Athletic Directors

For questions, please call or email

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REGION IV-5A GOLF TOURNAMENT

Dear Coach,

Congratulations to you and your team on a successful season. McAllen ISD is proud to announce that we will be hosting this prestigious tournament. The tournament will be hosted at the Champion Lakes Golf Course in McAllen, Texas. We will strive to make your participation in the Region IV 5A Golf Tournament an outstanding experience. Please read all information carefully as all the items listed below are important for the smooth operation of the tournament. Please make sure that your Principal, Athletic Director, and Golf Head Coach receive a copy of this information. On behalf of the University Interscholastic League and McAllen Independent School District, we wish you the best as you compete and represent your school district and community to the best of your ability.

Region IV 5A Tournament information:

The practice round green fees and cart are included in the team and individual fees .

The athletes will be allowed to have one practice round as per UIL rule.

The boys' practice round will be on Sunday, April 14 starting at 12:00 noon.

The girls' practice round will be on Tuesday, April 16 immediately after completion of the boys' tournament (approximately 1:00 pm).

Coaches must call the golf course at 956-681-3444 to make arrangements for the practice round as soon as they have a qualified team or individual.

As per UIL, please note that athletes are only allowed one practice round prior to regional play.

Please distribute as needed.

Inclement Weather Plan

Inclement weather, thunderstorms, and lightning can present dangerous situations for our student-athletes and spectators when practicing or competing outdoors. Please be informed of the following regulations that will be followed during our regional golf tournament:

- Every effort will be made to complete all rounds as scheduled. Please be prepared to adjust accordingly and be respectful of decisions made with everyone's safety in mind.
- The PerryWeather app will be used to determine the distance of lightning. When lightning is within an 8-mile radius, all outside activities will be suspended. Once the activity has been suspended, we will wait at least 30 minutes following the last sound of thunder or lightning prior to resuming the activity and returning outdoors. When activity is suspended, athletes and spectators will be informed to seek shelter.
- If rounds cannot be completed due to inclement weather, the Tournament Directors will determine the next course of action.
- Please be reminded – that every effort will be made to play all rounds as scheduled, but everyone's safety will be our top priority.

Regional Golf Tournament (Format & Ties)

Tournament Format

- The tournament will consist of 18 or 36 holes completed by the entire tournament field from a scoring standpoint.

Team Ties (First, Second, & Third will go to a playoff, 4th place ties should proceed straight to #5 below)

1. Sudden Death Playoff (Holes will be determined on site)
2. There will be a playoff for all ties immediately on the tournament course after all scores have been posted if possible.
3. Team ties will be represented either by the five players, or four players with four-player teams.
4. The aggregate score of the four low players per hole will determine the team score per hole.
5. If a tie cannot be played on the scheduled tournament date, a future date may be scheduled between the teams tied (for advancement purposes only) with approval of the participating schools and permission from the UIL Athletic Director (AJ Martinez).
6. In the event that a playoff is not possible, the individual's score that was not used for each team on Day 2 will be used as the tie-breaking score. If still tied, the team's highest individual tournament total will be used. Continue to use this process until the tie is broken.

Individual (Medalists) Ties (First, Second, & Third will go to sudden death, 4th place ties should proceed straight to #3 below)

1. Sudden Death Playoff. (Holes will be determined on site)
2. If a tie cannot be played on the scheduled tournament date, a future date may be scheduled between the individuals tied (for advancement purposes only) with approval of the participating schools and permission from the UIL Athletic Director.
3. In the event that a playoff is not possible, per USGA Rule III Section 5A(6), the method of matching cards is to determine the winner on the basis of the best score for the last nine holes. If the tying players have the same score for the last nine, determine the winner on the basis of the last six holes, then last three holes and finally the 18th hole. If this method is used in a competition with a multiple tee start, it is recommended that the "last nine holes, last six holes, etc." is considered to be holes 10-18, 13-18, etc.

9 Stroke Maximum

In district play, and in regional and state competition, at any time during the play of a hole, a competitor may pick up the ball and record a 9 for that hole if it becomes apparent to the player that a score of less than 9 is highly unlikely.

- A player's score for a hole is based on the player's number of strokes (including *strokes* made and penalty strokes), **except** that the player will get only the maximum score even if the actual score exceeds the maximum. USGA Rule 21.b(1)

Regional Golf Tournament (Play-Off Details)

Team

- Team ties are going to be broken by a five-man team playoff. The four low scores per hole in the playoff will count for the team score. If a team has four players, all four scores will count.

Honor

- Will be determined by drawing numbers through a tournament official.
- 2 numbers will be provided. One team member will draw a number for the team.
- The team that draws the lowest number will have the honor for both groups.

Order

- The two high scores from Day 2 will be paired up as (2).
- The third and fourth from each team's Day 2 round will make up the second group.
- The first and second players from Day 2 will make up the third group.
- All players will complete the hole prior to moving to the next hole.
- The four aggregate scores will comprise the team.

*If a 3-team playoff exists the order will be:

3-6-6 with the same procedures as a two-team playoff.

This is still a stroke play competition. The coaching rule still applies.

Regardless of the number of teams in the playoff, the players will be paired according to score with the highest scores going first.

Individual

- The player with the lowest second day score will have the honor. If the second day scores are tied, numbers will be drawn and the player who draws the lowest number will have the honor.

Practice Round Details

Individuals and/or teams qualifying for regional golf may be permitted one practice round of 18 holes at the site of the regional tournament. There shall be no more than one-day loss of school time involved in the practice or travel in relation to practice preceding the tournament. Once a practice round has been completed, neither teams nor individuals are allowed to return to the site on another day to **chip and/or putt**.

Sunday Prohibition (Section 1206(b)(3)(A) of UIL Constitution and Contest Rules)

(b) A league participant school shall not participate in any athletic contest or conduct any practice, or teach any plays, formations, or skills on Sunday.

(3) Exceptions.

(A) Golf. If the regional and/or state golf tournaments are scheduled on a Monday, the one 18-hole practice round is allowed at the regional and/or state tournament site and may be played on the Sunday afternoon preceding the meet (no earlier than 12:00 noon) if permitted by the regional or state meet director.

Champion Lakes GC Regional Yardages

BOYS/ BLACK TEES	GIRLS COMBO/RED & WHITE (*)
1. PAR 5 --530	436*
2. PAR 3---191	107
3. PAR 4---334	271*
4. PAR 4---369	334*
5. PAR 4---421	371
6. PAR 4---435	365*
7. PAR 5---577	439
8. PAR 3---187	124
9. PAR 4---420	372
<u>TOTAL-3464</u>	<u>2819</u>
10.PAR 4—358	310*
11.PAR 4—397	298*
12.PAR 4—390	342*
13.PAR 4---392	304*
14.PAR 3---174	101
15.PAR 5---514	444*
16.PAR 4---406	357*
17.PAR 3---160	135*
18.PAR 5---528	467*
<u>TOTAL—3319</u>	<u>2758</u>
TOTAL (ALL 18)—6783	5577

General Questions and Answers

May we schedule our ‘one practice round’ at a time/day other than the day prior to the tournament?

Yes, if the course allows! The assigned practice round the day prior to the competition is for the convenience of out-of-town schools.

May we leave the course & return later that same day to practice putt or chip after our practice round?

No! However, once your coaches’ meeting begins players may return to practice putt or chip!

May players use the “range” once the “one practice round” has been played?

Yes! Putting or Chipping is prohibited once the practice round has been played, but players may use the range as long as they are in compliance with UIL Constitution and Contest Rules practice regulations.

May players go out and walk the course at a time other than their practice round?

No! Walking the course is considered playing the course.

Slow Play

The following conditions and policies shall govern the regulation of the pace of play by the Rules Committee:

1. Each player is responsible for playing without undue delay.
2. Each player is responsible for his/her group’s maintaining proper position on the course in relation to the rest of the field. Each group should be approximately a starting interval behind the preceding group throughout the whole round. The position of the group following has no bearing in determining whether or not a player’s pace of play is satisfactory. A group is deemed to be out of position if it reaches any spot on the course as much as fourteen (14) minutes behind the preceding group.
3. A group that is out of position for as many as three holes during one round, not necessarily in consecutive order, will be considered in violation of Rule 5-6 (Undue Delay). Players contributing to the delay will be automatically penalized.
4. If a player walks ahead of the ball to check the position of the hole or to walk yardage once he/she is at his ball and it is his turn to play, the player will be penalized for undue delay if he/she had previously been warned during the round for slow play.
5. Penalties may be assessed without a player having been given prior warning during the round by a Rules Official. It is the responsibility of each player to be aware of his position on the golf course.
6. If a group’s pace of play warrants a penalty to be assessed, only players who contributed to slow play will be penalized, not necessarily every member of the team.
7. Officials will use discretion concerning the pace of play of early groups. The first players will be expected to play at a reasonably fast pace. However, the groups immediately following may not be expected to maintain position behind an exceptionally fast group.

UIL Golf Disqualifications

Subchapter C. Section 1260. *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules.*

- (8) **Disqualifications:** A player disqualified (for other than an unsportsmanlike conduct violation) shall have the disqualification apply only to the 18-hole round in which the infraction occurred.
- (a) For example, a contestant disqualified (for a violation that is not unsportsmanlike) during the first or second 18-holes will not have his/her score used for the team score in the 18-hole round in which the violation occurred.
- (b) A contestant disqualified for unsportsmanlike conduct during the first 18-holes will not be allowed to continue. Scores from the first 18-hole round for a contestant disqualified during the second 18-holes will also be canceled. Neither the first-day 18-hole score nor the second-day 18-hole score may be used for the individual or team score.

Please note that in accordance with Rule 5.6 of the USGA Golf rules, a player that must discontinue play due to illness or injury may not be subject to disqualification if the Rules Committee is notified and the reason, such as illness, is considered satisfactory to the Committee. A student, who discontinues play but is not disqualified the first day, may be allowed by the Committee to return and play 18 holes on the second day. The score of the second day, in this instance, may be counted for team honors.

Sincerely,

Brian McClenny

Brian McClenny
McAllen ISD Athletic Director/Region IV-5A Golf Tournament Director

Spectator Rules

1. Spectator carts **WILL BE** available on a first-come-first-serve basis. One cart rental per person and two rider minimum. Spectators **MAY NOT** reserve a cart for other spectators.
 - a. Side Car Rentals - Richard Palacios (956) 564-1233
 - b. Easy Ride Golf Cars - Linnet Garcia (956) 580-3370
2. Spectators will not be allowed in any of the practice areas (putting green, chipping green, or driving range). Only players and coaches will be allowed.
3. Spectators must stay on the cart path at all times. **EXCEPTION:** when watching play on or around the green spectators may go up on the mounds that surround the green to watch.
4. Spectators **MAY NOT** walk down the fairway with the players.
5. Spectators **MUST STAY** 30 yards from the players at all times.
6. Spectators are allowed to help search for lost golf balls.
7. Spectators are **NOT** allowed to give players snacks or drinks during the stipulated round. **ONLY** the designated coach may give the players snacks or drinks.
8. Spectators are **NOT** allowed in the scoring area at any time.
9. Spectators **MAY NOT** give any advice during play. **ONLY** the designated coach may give the player advice during a stipulated round. Any other communication could be deemed advice. The player could be penalized 2 strokes for every breach or disqualified.
10. Spectators **MAY NOT** shuttle players at any time. **EXCEPTION:** In the event of inclement weather or dangerous situation, spectators **MAY** transport players to safety.



GOLF REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - MCALLEN HOTELS

<u>Hotel</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Aloft	501 S Ware Rd, McAllen, TX 78501	1-956-694-1700
Best Western McAllen Medical Center	300 E Expressway 83, McAllen, TX 78503	1-956-630-3333
Best Western Plus	1500 Wichita Ave, McAllen, TX 78503	1-956-632-2000
Cambria Suites	701 S Ware Rd, McAllen, TX 78501	1-956-618-7207
Casa De Palmas	101 N Main St, McAllen, TX 78501	1-956-928-9905
Drury Inn & Suites	300 W Expy 83, McAllen, TX 78501	1-956-682-3222
Embassy Suites Convention Center	800 Convention Center Blvd, McAllen, TX 78501	1-956-688-8329
Hampton Inn and Suites	10 W Expy 83, McAllen, TX 78501	1-956-661-1100
Hawthorn Suites	4801 W Expy 83, McAllen, TX 78503	1-956-618-7240
Hilton Garden Inn	617 W Expy 83, McAllen, TX 78503	1-956-664-2900
Home2 Suites by Hilton	525 S Ware Rd, McAllen, TX 78501	1-956-391-2964
Homewood Suites	3801 W Expy 83, McAllen, TX 78503	1-956-630-0500

La Quinta Inn & Suites La Plaza	801 S Ware Rd, McAllen, TX 78501	1-956-682-6765
Wyndham Garden La Plaza Mall	1921 S 10th St, McAllen, TX 78503	1-956-994-0505