

2024



**1A Region III
Golf Manual**

REGION III—CONFERENCE 1A GOLF BOYS AND GIRLS
MONDAY, APRIL 15-THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2024

1A BOYS- Monday-Tuesday, April 15-16
1A GIRLS- Wednesday-Thursday, April 17-18

DISTRICT DIRECTORS' INFORMATION: Immediately upon completion of the district tournament, email entries to Shirley Peterson at speterson@mpisd.net. Please type each player's full name on the entry form, no initials or nicknames. If it must be handwritten, please make sure that names are legible. Include players' individual, team scores and coaches contact information on entry form. Entry form is located on UIL website.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT: Progressive both days off #1 and #10 tee box, 8:00 am Tee Time
Note: In case of rain, and only 18 holes are completed, the 18 holes will stand as a completed tournament.

Payment:

The cost for each female golfer on a team is \$95.00. Each team will be \$425.00.
The cost for each male golfer on a team is \$95.00. Each team will be \$425.00.
The cost for each medalist male or female is \$95.00 .

******SEND CHECKS TO MOUNT PLEASANT COUNTRY CLUB ******

Make checks payable to: MPCC
Mount Pleasant Country Club
% Nicole Chapin
1000 Country Club Drive
Mount Pleasant, TX 75455

Each District Director will send one check for both teams and both medalists from their district for the entry fees in the Regional Tournament. Payment is due by April 14th for boys tournament and April 17th for girls tournament.

TOURNAMENT CONTACTS:

Mel Callender - PGA Professional
Rules & Regulations
Ted Peterson - Tournament Director
Golf Course, Golf Shop, Local Logistics
Nicole Chapin - Office Manager
Payments

FEATURED HOTELS

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
2306 Greenhill Road
(903) 577-3800
Discounted rate - \$119 + tax

Hampton Inn & Suites
2504 W Ferguson Road
(903) 572-7100
Discounted rate - \$124 +tax

INFORMATION FOR GOLF COURSE

**Mount Pleasant Country Club
1000 Country Club Drive
Mount Pleasant, TX 75455
(903) 572-1804**

PRACTICE ROUNDS:

- \$25.00 a player for practice round to walk, or \$37.00 with cart. Must be paid at time of round. Groups are limited to fivesomes. Teams will need to practice as a team.
- Boys' tee times for practice round will start at **12:00 pm on Sunday, April 14th**. Girls' tee times for practice rounds will start after completion of the boys 2nd round of play approximately at **2:00 pm on Tuesday, April 16th**. Practice rounds are available prior to these dates, but only one practice round is allowed after qualification.
- Tee time reservations may be made by calling MPCC at 903-572-1804. Please tell the golf shop you are with the Regional Golf Tournament to receive the discounted rate.

COACHES MEETING:

- Sunday, April 14 in Ballroom at 4:00 pm for 1A Boys coaches
- Tuesday, April 16 in the Big Tex room at 4:00 pm for 1A Girls coaches

CLUBHOUSE INFORMATION:

- MPCC driving range will be open at 7:00 am on both playing days. Range balls are included in fee. Golf shop will open at 6:30 am.
- Parking is limited at club. In order to save spaces, all big buses will have a specific parking area. Trucks and trailers will need to park on side of entrance roadway. If room allows after buses have parked, trucks and trailers may park in that designated area. Trucks and trailers are not allowed to use more than one parking spot.
- During play the Head Coach will have free access to a golf cart. Coaches pick up key in pro shop and return cart once play has concluded.
- Spectator carts will be available in the golf shop while supplies last and will cost \$50 daily.
- No outside food or drink will be allowed on course. Concessions are available at the golf shop. Lunch will be available in the clubhouse for purchase at 11 am each day.
- Bottled water will be available for players on #1 and #10 tee boxes.

Tournament Information

Scoring Method Team honors shall be determined by adding the best four scores for each 18-hole round of the five players who enter as a team. The team with the lowest score will be the team winner.

Substitution There shall be no substitution allowed in the individual competition. Once the tournament has begun, no substitution (except for injury or illness) shall be allowed on a team, as a team is composed of five players.

Protests Any protest must be initiated by a contestant or coach representing a participating school before the tournament director finalizes the scores.

Coaching.

- A coach may engage with the player(s) tee to green (not on the green).
- At district, regional, and state competitions, only two coaches are allowed to coach that team/individual once play has begun that day for that team or player(s).

UIL Penalty Structure

- First Offense – Warning
- Second Offense – Stroke penalty for player and loss of coaching privileges for the coach
- Third Offense – Disqualification of the player for the entire tournament

Dress and Conduct Players shall wear school approved attire, collared shirts, and soft spikes. Players may not speak privately with non-players; except the coach tee to green. Unsportsmanlike conduct, such as illegal coaching, inappropriate language, throwing clubs, course abuse, or improper actions may result in penalty stroke(s) or disqualification.

Caddies and Carts Contestants may **NOT** use caddies or electric carts during district, regional, or state without approval by the UIL (golfer must bring approved paperwork). A pull cart may be used.

Electronic Equipment Distance-measuring devices are allowed under the rules of golf as long as the player does not access any information that is prohibited under this rule. The first breach of this rule means the player gets a two-stroke penalty. A second breach during the same round results in disqualification.

- [USGA Range Finder Guideline](#)

Spectators Please make sure all cell phones are turned off or on silent mode. Spectators may encourage but NOT coach nor give advice during play. Spectators shall remain off fairways and maintain an average of 30 yards from players. (*See Spectator Rules p. 8*)

Maximum Scoring – 9 Strokes - UIL golf will be utilizing the USGA scoring in Maximum score

- 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.
- A player who does not hole out under the Rules for any reason gets the *maximum* score for the hole.
- To help pace of play, players are encouraged to stop playing a hole when their score has reached the *maximum*.
- The hole is completed when the player *holes out*, chooses not to do so or when his or her score has reached the maximum.

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 if permitted by the director of the tournament. There shall be no more than one day loss of school time involved with travel in relation to practice preceding the tournament. State law allows only one hour per school day for practice. 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.

General Questions and Answers

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

Yes, if the course allows! The assigned practice round the day before the competition is for the convenience of out-of-town schools. Regardless if a player goes on their own, with parents, or with the school coach, they only get one practice round.

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

No! However, use of the driving range, putting, and chipping areas are allowed starting at 12:00 pm on the day preceding the regional or state tournament.

May players go to the tournament site and putt or chip before playing their practice round?

Yes! However, this would count as the practice round for the player.

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

Yes! Players may use the range as long as they comply with UIL Constitution and Contest Rules practice regulations. Putting and Chipping is prohibited until 12:00 pm on the day preceding the regional or state tournament.

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. If special circumstances exist with siblings please contact Tournament Director to receive guidance.

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 cancelled. 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.

Spectator Rules

1. Spectators must stay on 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.
2. Spectators **MAY NOT** walk down the fairway with the players.
3. Spectators need to stay 30 yards from the players at all times.
4. Spectators are allowed to help search for lost golf balls.
5. 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.
6. Spectators are **NOT** allowed in the scoring area at any time.
7. 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.
8. Spectators **MAY NOT** shuttle players at any time. **EXCEPTION:** In the event of inclement weather or dangerous situation, spectators **MAY** transport players to safety.