

**2025  
REGION 2  
2A GOLF HANDBOOK**



**Ferris, Texas**

**April 14-15, 2025 Girls  
April 16-17, 2025 Boys**



TO: High School Golf Coach Region 2-2A  
FROM: Joel Davenport, Tournament Director  
SUBJECT: REGION 2-2A GOLF INFORMATION

Congratulations to all teams.

Please make sure that you read all the information carefully. There will be a GIRLS **coaches meeting** on Sunday afternoon, April 13, 2025 at 5:00 pm. The BOYS coaches meeting will be on Tuesday, April 15 at 5:00 pm. The coaches meeting will be held at The Old Brickyard Golf Club in the dining room. The address is 605 N Interstate 45 Service Rd, Ferris, TX 75125 (972) 842-8700

**DISTRICT DIRECTORS INFORMATION:** Immediately upon completion of the district tournament, email Joel Davenport @ [joel.davenport@ennis.k12.tx.us](mailto:joel.davenport@ennis.k12.tx.us) your district results. List each player's full name on entry forms. No initials or nicknames. If handwritten please make sure names are legible.

### General Questions and Answers

1. 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. The practice round price does not change, if you play on a different day.**
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3. 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!**
4. 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.**
5. 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.**

<b>TOURNAMENT FORMAT:</b>	Progressive both days off #1 and #10 tee box
AA Girls Monday, April 14	7:30 a.m. tee times starting at 7:30 a.m. off #1 and #10
AA Girls Tuesday, April 15	7:30 a.m. tee times starting at 7:30 a.m. off #1 and #10
AA Boys Wednesday, April 16	7:30 a.m. tee times starting at 7:30 a.m. off #1 and #10
AA Boys Tuesday, April 17	7:30 a.m. tee times starting at 7:30 a.m. off #1 and #10

Note: In case of rain, and only 18 holes are completed, the 18 holes will stand as a completed tournament.

**FEES:** A team of 4/5 players will be \$500.00. Each medalist is \$100.00. This entry fee includes green fees for both days, coach's cart each day, and range balls prior to their round both days.

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**Make checks payable to:**

**Old Brickyard Golf Club**

**c/o Chance Blythe**

**605 W Interstate 45 Service Rd, Ferris, TX 75125**

**PRACTICE ROUND:** After completion of the district certification, each player may play the regional site once, prior to the start of the regional competition. Tee time reservations may be made 7 days in advance by calling The Old Brickyard pro shop at 972 842-8700. Please tell them you are with the 2A Regional Golf Tournament. On Sunday, April 13, the Old Brickyard will block off tee times starting at 1:00 pm for the girls practice round. On Tuesday, April 15, we will have a **shotgun** start at 2:30 p.m. for all boys that have not had a practice round. Each practice round will be \$40.00.

**CARTS:** Each coach will be provided a cart. There will be a limited supply of spectator carts. Spectator carts will be \$40 per round. Spectator carts must remain on the cart path. No outside carts are permitted due to liability issues.

**RANGE:** Everyone will use the south end of the range nearest the putting green. The range will be open 1 hour prior to the first tee time.

**TEES:** Ladies will play the RED tees; Gentlemen will play the BLUE tees.

**COACHES SCORING iWanamaker Scoring App: Go to the Ap Store and download the iWanamaker App. It will say TX HS Golf. Enter your players name. All of your players will also need to download the free app. All scoring will be done by the players with this app. and you will be able to see tee times and it updates automatically. The players will also be given a paper scorecard. This is the iWanamaker App. below.**



**SCORING:** A scoring tent will be located on the patio. Each foursome will score together, immediately after the completion of their round, verifying what is in iWanamaker is correct.

#### **CONTACT PEOPLE-**

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**QUALIFIERS TO THE REGIONAL MEET:** Each district may qualify the first and second place teams and the first and second place individuals to regional competition. If one of the first two individual finishers is on an advancing team, the next highest ranked individual who is not on an advancing team shall advance. If both of the first two individual finishers are on advancing teams, the next two highest ranked individuals who are not on advancing teams shall advance. If a medalist is placed on one of the advancing teams, the next highest finisher will replace the medalist now on the team at the regional tournament. Meet director shall authorize play-offs to break ties. Winners will be certified to the next higher meet by the tournament director.

**QUALIFIERS TO THE STATE MEET:** Each region may qualify the first, second and third place teams and the first, second and third place individual finishers, to state competition. If one of the first three individual finishers is on an advancing team, the next highest ranked individual who is not on an advancing team shall advance. If all three individual finishers are on advancing teams, the next three highest ranked individuals who are not on advancing teams shall advance. If a medalist is placed on one of the advancing teams, the next highest finisher will replace the medalist now on the team at the state tournament. Meet director shall authorize playoffs to break ties. Winners will be certified to the next higher meet by the tournament director.

**RULES COMMITTEE:** A rules committee appointed by the executive committee should be established to act on all violations. The committee is: Chance Blythe, Melvin Lucky, and Joel Davenport.

**OFFICIAL RULES:** The tournament shall be played under the United States Golf Association Rules. Contestants may not use caddies or electric carts during district, regional or state matches. Pull carts may be used, but participants are required to begin the round with a pull cart if one is desired. Students with disabilities as defined by ADA may apply for a waiver. Contact the UIL office for details. After a player hits two consecutive shots into a hazard, his next shot will be played from a designated drop area between the hazard and the green if permitted by the tournament director.

**SPECTATORS:** The following rules should be discussed with all participants and coaches. Parents and interested spectators should be reminded that they are spectators and it is **NOT** their responsibility to report possible rule violations. Rule violations should be reported by the players or the marshals of the meet. Parents, friends, and other spectators should stay a substantial distance from competitors during play. After play has started parents may not coach "or advise" players. A player is subject to a two stroke penalty on the first offense and disqualification by tournament officials if the coaching continues. On course encouragement, support, applause, etc. is not considered coaching or advice; therefore, it is permissible.

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

**CADDIES AND CARTS:** Contestants may NOT use caddies or electric carts during the regional tournament without approval by the UIL. (A pull cart may be used) The Old Brickyard does not have pull carts to rent.

**PROTESTS:** Any protests lodged must be initiated by a contestant or school official—either a player, coach or administrator from the school for whom a student is playing. These protests should be lodged before the scores are designated as final by the tournament director.

**TIES:** The lowest four scores compose the team score each day. In case of a team tie, all five players will be involved in the playoff. The teams that are tied will ALL tee off together. At the completion of the first playoff hole, the four best scores per team will be compared to see if the tie is broken. The playoff will begin on #10 and continue until decided. In case of individual ties for the medalist, they will also tee off #10.



**Hard Card**

## **Local Rules and Conditions of Competition 2025**

The Rules of the United States Golf Association will govern play. See UIL Golf Handbook for additional Local Rules and Conditions. Complete text of Rules and Local Rules may be found in the [USGA Official Guide to the Rules of Golf](#), effective January 2023 unless otherwise noted; the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the **general penalty (2 penalty strokes)**. See [UIL Golf Manual](#) (pg.147) and UIL Championship Manual for additional Local Rules and Terms of the Competition. **Except for UIL misconduct penalties**, if a player breaches a Rule that results in **disqualification**, the effect shall be to disqualify the player for that round only.

**MAXIMUM SCORE - 9 STROKE RULE** - A player's score is capped at a maximum score of 9. 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. All penalties that apply in stroke play apply in Maximum Score, except that a player who breaches any of these five Rules is not disqualified but gets the maximum score for the hole where the breach happened: - Failure to hole out under Rule 3.3c,

- Failure to correct mistake of playing from outside the teeing area in starting a hole (see Rule 6.1b(2)),
- Failure to correct mistake of playing a wrong ball (see Rule 6.3c),
- Failure to correct mistake of playing from a wrong place when there is a serious breach (see Rule 14.7b),
- or - Failure to correct mistake of making a stroke in the wrong order (see Rule 22.3).

**OUT OF BOUNDS** - Defined by the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of the white stakes, white lines, or fence posts. [Rule 18](#).

**PENALTY AREAS** - Penalty areas, which are bodies of water or other areas defined by the Committee where a ball is often lost or unable to be played. For one penalty stroke, you may use specific relief options to play a ball from outside the penalty area. [Rule 17](#)

**PACE OF PLAY** - [Rule 5.6b](#). Players must play efficiently and are advised of Rule 5.6b which encourages ready golf, 40 seconds per shot, and a focus on prompt pace of play. A player shall be subject to penalty if he/she unduly delays play and shall abide by pace of play memorandums when provided at events. **Penalty Structure (1st offense - Warning, 2nd offense - 1-stroke penalty for the player; 3rd offense - General Penalty (2 strokes); 4th offense - Disqualification)**.

**SPECTATOR POLICY** - Players and spectators are to have minimal/no interaction during play. Patrons may assist in looking for a lost ball, but otherwise must stay on the cart path and/or far off the green during tournament play. Players are not to walk with spectators. If a spectator is observed walking with, talking to or giving advice (or appear to be) to a player: **Penalty Structure - 1st Offense - Rules officials, coach, or the Rules Committee may issue an official verbal warning to the player, player's coach, Rules Committee and spectator; 2nd Offense - General penalty (2 penalty strokes) will be issued to the player. 3rd Offense - the player will be Disqualified for that round only.**

Spectators are not allowed to comment or assist on any rulings on the golf course under any circumstance. It is the players' responsibility to police their group and be aware of all rules.

**REPORTING RULES VIOLATIONS** – If a player witnesses a rules violation, they must immediately alert the player in question and/or a high school coach or the Committee as to the possible infraction. The Rules Committee will do everything within their power to immediately resolve rules violations and assess proper penalties during the round. Any rules violations that cannot be immediately addressed or solved by the Rules Committee will be addressed at scoring and the proper penalty will be enforced.

**UIL COACHING RULE – TWO COACHES of RECORD** (Advice Giver) may engage (coach) with the player(s) from tee to green. Once a player steps onto the green, no coaching is allowed until all participants have finished the hole. **Penalty Structure (1st Offense – Warning; 2nd Offense – 1-stroke penalty for player and loss of coaching privileges for the coach; 3rd Offense - Disqualification of the player for the entire tournament).** [UIL Golf Manual](#)

**UIL UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT** – is defined as profane, vulgar and/or abusive language audible to others; carelessly and/or deliberately throwing clubs; verbalizing with intent of intimidation; or exhibiting behavior not in accordance with the spirit of fair play. A SERIOUS BREACH of Conduct could warrant immediate disqualification. **Penalty Structure (1st offense – General Penalty (2 Strokes); - 2nd offense – Disqualification).** **If the golfer's action warrant, penalty may be disqualification for the round, and/or in the opinion of the tournament director the violation is flagrant, disqualification could be for the tournament.** [UIL Golf Manual](#)

**UIL ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT** – Distance-measuring devices (USGA Rule 4.3a) are allowed under the rules of golf as long as the player does not access any information that is prohibited under this rule. Player found in breach will be subject to the **Penalty Structure (1st offense – General Penalty (2 Strokes); - 2nd offense – Disqualification)** [Understanding the Rules of DMDs](#)

**PROHIBITING USE OF AUDIO AND VIDEO DEVICES** - [The Model Local Rule G-8](#)

**TRANSPORTATION** - Players shall walk at all times, except that a coach, designated volunteer or an event official may assist players back into position after a delay for a ruling, lost ball, illness, etc. A coach, designated volunteer or an event official may transport players between nines for pace of play.

**SCORING AREA and SCORECARD RETURNED** – Only Participating Student Athletes, Coaches, Rules Officials, and Committee Members may enter the Scoring Area. The scorecard is returned once the player and marker(s) have signed the scorecard and given it to the committee. Once the scorecard is returned and the player has left the scoring area, scores are OFFICIAL and NO changes can be made.

**ABNORMAL COURSE CONDITIONS** (Including Immovable Obstructions), Dangerous Animal Condition, Animal Holes, Ground Under Repair, Temporary Water & Embedded Ball – Player may take relief from any of these abnormal areas. This Rule also covers free relief when your ball is embedded in its own pitch mark in the general area. The nearest point of complete relief should be identified and a ball must be dropped and come to rest in the relief area (one club length) no nearer the hole. [Rule 16. General Area Diagram 16.1b. Bunker Diagram 16.1c. Putting Green Diagram 16.1d](#)

**SOD SEAMS** – [Model Local Rule F-7](#)

**AERATION HOLES** – [Model Local Rule E-4](#)

**BALL DEFLECTED BY POWER LINE** – [Model Local Rule E-11](#)

**OUT OF BOUNDS WHEN PUBLIC ROAD RUNS THROUGH COURSE** – [Model Local Rule A-5](#) A ball coming to rest on or beyond the road is out of bounds, even if it comes to rest on another part of the course that is in bounds for other holes.

**PLAYING TWO BALLS WHEN UNCERTAIN WHAT TO DO** – A player who is uncertain about the right procedure while playing a hole may complete the hole with two balls without penalty: The player must decide to play two balls after the uncertain situation arises and before making the next [stroke](#). The player should choose which ball will count if the Rules allow the procedure used for that ball, by announcing that choice to his or her marker or to another player before making a [stroke](#). The player must report the facts of the situation to the Committee before returning the [scorecard](#), even if the player scores the same with both balls. **The player is disqualified if he/she fails to do so.** [Rule 20.1c](#)

**IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION** (Such as When There is Imminent Danger) – If the [Committee](#) declares an immediate suspension of play, all players must stop play at once and must not make another [stroke](#) until the Committee resumes play. All practice areas are CLOSED during suspension for dangerous situations until the Committee declares them open. **Penalty for Breach of [Rule 5.7b](#): Disqualification.** NOTE: Method for Stopping and Resuming Play [Model Local Rule J-1](#) Immediate Stop: One prolonged note of the siren. Resume Play: Two short notes of siren.

**LIST OF CONFORMING GOLF BALLS** – Conforming Ball Must Be Played, see [USGA List](#) for conforming ball list.

**HOTELS IN ENNIS**

<i>Comfort Suites</i>	<i>400 I-45 South, Ennis, TX 75119</i>	<i>(972) 872-9898</i>
<i>Quality Inn Ennis</i>	<i>107 Chamber of Commerce Dr, Ennis, TX 75119</i>	<i>(972) 875-9641</i>
<i>LaQuinta Inn</i>	<i>110 South Sonoma Trail, Ennis, TX</i>	<i>(972) 875-4000</i>
<i>Motel 6</i>	<i>100 South Interstate 45, Ennis, TX 75119</i>	<i>(972) 875-3390</i>

**Places to Dine in Ennis**

*Don Jose's Mexican Restaurant*  
*2301 W Ennis Ave, Ennis, TX 75119*  
*(972) 878-2500*  
*Hours: 11:00 am – 9:30 pm*

*Bubba's BBQ AND STEAKHOUSE*  
*Address: 210 W Interstate 45 Service Rd, Ennis, TX 75119*  
*Phone:(972) 875-0036*  
*Hours: 11:00 am - 9:00 pm*

*Chili's*  
*1006 E Ennis Ave, Ennis, TX 75119*  
*(972) 875-3421*  
*Hours: 10:45 am – 10:00 pm*

*Cotton Patch*  
*105 Chamber of Commerce Dr., Ennis, TX 75119*  
*(972) 875-7735*  
*Hours: 11:00 am - 9:30 pm*

*Chick-fil-A*  
*390 N, I-45, Ennis, TX 75119*  
*(972) 875-3452*  
*Hours: 6:00 am - 10:00 pm*

*Waffle House*  
*402 N, I-45 STE 130, Ennis, TX 75119*  
*(469) 553-2461*  
*Hours: open 24 hours*

*Freddy's Hamburgers*  
*1211 E Ennis Ave, Ennis, TX 75119*  
*(214) 347-9744*  
*Hours: 10:30 am - 10:00 pm*

*El Mexicano Grill*  
*219 W Ennis Ave, Ennis, TX 75119-4043*  
*(972) 875-9008*  
*Hours: 7:00 am - 10:00 pm*