

# Girls' Varsity Golf Team

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The Girls' Golf Team Tryouts will begin the week of August 13, 2012. All participants must register with Mr. Henderson. Any candidate involved in a golf tournament during the tryout week must get approval from Coach Henderson. This is the only way a candidate trying out for the team may be excused from the tryouts. Starting with the first match, all participants must be present for all matches and practices.

We will be qualifying at St. Clair Country Club, and three other courses (TBA). The management and staff at St. Clair Country Club have been very gracious in allowing us to use their course for a tryout and all home matches.

Unfortunately, the tryouts at other courses are not free. I will keep you posted to the cost and times at a later date. I can arrange for reduced rates and you can pay for the greens fees the morning of each round.

**\* The Varsity Team will consist of the top candidates with the best average and knowledge of the game of golf.\***

You are required to complete a physical form. Failure to do so by August 8, 2012 will disqualify you from trying out:

**\* A physical form, filled out, signed, and dated correctly**  
**(It must be dated AFTER June 1, 2012)**

Physicals will be given to the high school AD office.

**Clothing:** All golf candidates are required to wear appropriate golf attire. (i.e. golf shirt with collar and golf slacks or golf shorts) No exceptions are permitted. Jeans and t-shirts are never acceptable. Sweaters and/or jackets will be permitted when necessitated by weather conditions. Hats will never be worn backwards. No cell phones. You must carry your own clubs each round. You will travel to and from all bus trips on the school bus unless you have a note signed by the principal one day in advance.

## Dates and Times for Tryouts – 2012

<b>Monday, August 13</b> – St. Clair Country Club	Tee time is 12:00 pm (18 holes)
<b>Tuesday, August 14</b> – Frosty Valley	Tee time is 7:30 am (18 holes)
<b>Wednesday, August 15</b> – Scenic Valley	Tee time is 7:30 am (18 holes)
<b>Thursday, August 16</b> – St. Clair Country Club	Tee time is 3:00 pm (9 holes)

If we have poor weather and a tryout round is cancelled, we will attempt to make it up. If this is not possible, and then the team will be chosen from only those rounds played.

You can be dismissed from the tryouts for the following reasons.

1. Knowingly not following the rules of golf.
2. Not following directions.
3. Not wearing proper clothing.
4. Leaving the course without permission (except emergencies)
5. Not adhering to school rules.

Coach's Rule: A ten-stroke penalty shall be assessed for conduct unbecoming interscholastic golfers. Such conduct shall include, but not be limited to: club throwing, defined as releasing a 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 coach. The penalty shall include failure to replace divots or fix ball marks on the greens. All traps must be raked after you have played out. You will be dismissed from tryouts for a second offense.

One Ball Rule: Any player who keeps an extra ball in her pocket or on her person during a round of golf shall be assessed a two-stroke penalty for each infraction.

\*Please Note\*: Those of you who make the Golf Team may be required to miss a number of days of school. We will also be getting out of school early on a few occasions. All members of the team will be given a list of rules and procedures that must be followed. If these missed days, early dismissals or coach's rule present a problem, then you may want to reevaluate trying out.

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

All candidates will use stroke play, keep the score of the opponents, verify their score and an opponent's scorecard, and submit signed scorecards to the coach at the conclusion of each round. All scores will be posted.

It is your duty and obligation to understand the rules of golf as listed by USGA. The coaches may and will call penalties on any infraction of the rules. All disputes will be settled by the coaches or head professional or by the USGA.

Mr. Henderson  
Girls' Golf Coach