

Sammamish Boys Golf 2018-2019

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A Welcome from the Coach: (i.e. Program Philosophy, Coaching Perspective)

Welcome Totem golfers. Golf is a varsity sport at Sammamish high school. If more than 12 players turn out then there can be a JV team. If you plan to try out and subsequently make the team you must realize that school sports come before club teams. That means you may not miss practice or matches for our team to practice for another sport/club team.

Golf can be a fun and enjoyable experience. Yet it can also be very a difficult and humbling game to play. My expectation is that you work hard every day to get better, that you are courteous and respectful to all, and that you are honest and act with integrity. I will model these expectations every day at practice and matches.

Players do need their own clubs and bag, however if you do not have any we have some that have been donated to the program.

Practice Schedule-

It is expected that you attend every practice on time and stay for the duration. Our first practice begins at 8:00-9:50 AM on August 20th at Bellevue Golf Course. Tuesday, 21st from 9-11AM. Wednesday 22nd, will be try out with tee times beginning at 10:37. We will play 9 holes. It is not understood if the players pay for that round (\$15.00) or if the district does. I will know that by Aug. 20th. At that time a daily calendar will be handed out with practice times and match dates.

Players must wear nice shorts or slacks (no jeans or athletic shorts) and a collared shirt to practice. It has been our practice for each member to buy their team shirt. This will be discussed the first week.

It will be hot the first part of the season and players should bring water and sunscreen. As the season progresses we may have rain and colder weather. A rain jacket and umbrella are highly recommended.

Lettering Policy

To earn a varsity letter player must attend 90% of practices and their personal score must count in the team scoring in at least once one match. In a match we play 10 players and the best 5 scores add up to be our team score.

How can parents help?

Parents are encouraged to come watch and support all the players in our matches. As a spectator you are expected to follow the league rules: NO TALKING OR GIVING ADVICE to any player, must stay at least 25 yards from players, must stay on the cart path (unless helping look for a ball), not talking on cell phone, model good sportsmanship. If these rules are not followed a player may be assessed a 2 stroke penalty. If that occurs, you will be asked to leave the course, and a meeting with the athletic director and myself will occur to decide if you may attend future matches.

Parents have coordinated to provide snacks for both teams after our home matches. This usually included: pizza, drink and maybe cookies. Having a parent to coordinate this would be wonderful. I am out on the course until the last group comes in so I cannot do this. However, I am more than will to pay for a portion of what is being provided.

Lastly, I do not want parents on the putting green or range with the players during practice or warming up for a match. If the player also works with a private swing coach, as some do, and there are specific things to be watching for please communicate that with me.