



CAAC Game Sheet Golf (Boys & Girls)

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Start Times:

- The host school (course) will determine start times but 3:30 p.m. is recommended

Pre-Game Warm-up:

- Host school will notify opponent if a driving range is available

Match Format:

- Jamboree format will be used
 - There will be at least one 18-hole event at the end of the season (and upon agreement in the Division, one 18-hole event at the beginning of the season)
 - All other events will be 9-holes
- “Play 6 – Count 4” format will be used; the top 4 scores will be used to determine the match winner
- No caddies are allowed in CAAC play
- All scoring for Division will be done using the MHSAA Golf app and iWanamaker online scoring platform
- Spectators allowed on the course shall not have any communication with golfers
- MHSAA Tournament coaching privileges will be followed; two designated coaches from each school may communicate with golfers on all areas of the course (except when players reach the green)
 - Penalty for violation of coaching privileges will be a warning followed by a 2-stroke penalty
 - Exceptions may be made to deal with improper behavior on the course and/or to assist with rules and questions



CAAC Event Management Policies & Procedures

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General Procedures:

- When a host school conducts a special activity that will interrupt pregame or the match, they shall be required to notify the visiting AD and/or coach no later than upon arrival
- No artificial noisemakers will be allowed
- Spectators will be prohibited from forming pep lines or tunnels on the course
- **Playing Rules**
 - All MHSAA and USGA rules will be followed
 - Distance measuring devices are allowed (as long as they don't tell slope, wind, temperature, etc.)
 - Ball will be played "down" during competition
 - Preferred lies (lift, clean, and place) may be adopted if course conditions warrant
 - Embedded ball rule will be applied through the green and rough (excluding hazard and penalty areas)
 - Tiebreaker
 - If teams are tied after 4 scores, the score of the 5th player will be used to break the tie
 - If teams are tied after 5 scores, the score of the 6th player will be used to break the tie
 - If teams are tied after 6 scores, a sudden death playoff will be held between the 6 players for as many holes as necessary to break the tie
 - If course conditions do not permit the playoff, the match will be scored as a tie
 - Division Championship should be held at a neutral site
- **Officials**
 - Coaches shall cooperate with each other in applying and advising players of USGA and local rules, as discussed prior to the match
- **Make-Up Dates**
 - Postponed matches will be made up on the next available date as determined by participating school ADs & coaches (and course availability)
 - Division matches will take precedence over non-division matches
 - Matches will restart from the beginning (and not resume from the time of postponement)
- **Media**
 - Bona fide media shall be provided access to the facility and press areas
 - Photography restrictions will be established by the host school (course) consistent with similar outdoor events
- **Results**
 - Host school will report results to local media and/or post on social media
- **Host School Expectations**
 - Provide a course and necessary equipment to run the match, including results in an electronic scoring file
 - Provide local rules sheet, scorecard, and course description
 - Form a rules committee comprised of coaches and the local pro (if available) to deal with infractions and decisions
 - Have Emergency Action Plans (EAPs) in place for participating team(s) & officials

- **Weather Policies & Suspensions**
 - Host school management will determine if a match is to begin if course conditions are affected by weather
 - If a match is to be cancelled in advance due to poor course conditions the visiting team shall be notified prior to 2:00 p.m.
 - Once a match begins, the decision to suspend lies with officials; resumption of play will be determined by host school management
 - Delays for contests scheduled prior to 3:00 p.m. must not exceed 3 hours; delays for contests scheduled for 3:00 p.m. or later must not exceed 90 minutes
 - Delays on nights not followed by school from all the competing teams may be longer by mutual agreement of participating schools

- **Rules Compliance & Scoring Integrity**
 - Boys & Girls golf competition is conducted in compliance with playing rules as established by the USGA and MHSAA
 - Coaches and players shall follow and support all rules of competition and CAAC sportsmanship standards
 - It shall be understood that coaches shall emphasize, and players shall adhere to, the honor and integrity upon which the game of golf is based
 - Players shall be responsible for applying penalties of USGA rules infractions on themselves and shall call infractions of rules to the attention of playing partners, as well as for proper penalties to be assessed
 - Players must adhere to the highest ideals of honesty and integrity in recording their own scores and those of playing partners and opponents; all strokes and penalty strokes shall be recorded accurately without exception
 - Coaches shall be responsible for making scoring integrity and honest an integral part of coaching instruction and shall work together during competition to insure scores are recorded and attested to accurately and honestly
 - Any violation of scoring integrity, stroke “shaving,” collusion or agreements between playing partners or opponents to alter scores shall result in immediate disqualification, loss of eligibility to compete in the next league meet
 - Additional penalties for violations of scoring integrity such as loss of CAAC awards or loss of eligibility for subsequent competitions may also be assessed by individual schools and/or league administration
 - Parents of players in CAAC member school golf programs shall be made aware of such policies and penalties and asked to teach and support these standards

Division Championship Determination

- Division Championship will be determined by a combination of regular season Jamboree finishes with points issued based on place
 - Maximum points given will be based on the number of teams in each division
 - Each Jamboree winner will receive the same number of points as there are teams in the division; points will be awarded to the rest of the teams in descending order of finish
 - 18-hole Jamborees will count double
 - Points for each Jamboree finish will be added together with the highest point total being declared the champion; if 2 or more teams earn the same final number of points, they will all be named co-champion

All-Conference Selection Format

- Each division or combination division will select All-Conference Teams for CAAC recognized sports
- Players will be selected to the CAAC Divisional All-Conference Team
- There will not be a designation of first team or second team
- The athletic director/manager of the Division tournament will provide coaches with medals and the school honoring the student will provide a completed certificate using the supply of certificates annually provided by the CAAC Commissioner, for the athletes placed on the All-Conference Team
- Each school will properly complete certificates for their school and distribute them to the proper student(s)
- The CAAC Commissioner will release All-Conference results to the media when CAAC teams are no longer competing in MHSAA tournaments

All-Conference Awards Determination

- All-Conference will be determined by the accumulation of regular season Jamboree finishes with points issued based on place
 - Each Jamboree winner will receive the same number of points as there are individuals participating in the event; points will be awarded to the rest of the individuals in descending order of finish
 - 18-hole Jamborees will count double
 - Points for each Jamboree finish will be added together for each individual
- All-Conference: Top 8 finishers
 - All-Conference athletes will receive gold medals plus a certificate
- Honorable Mention: 9th thru 18th place finishers
 - All-Conference Honorable Mention athletes will receive a certificate

Academic All-Conference Award Criteria

- Award will be presented at the end of each season
- Athlete must have a 3.5 cumulative grade point average
- Athlete must have been awarded a Varsity Letter

MHSAA Handbook Regulations

- A student who, after practicing with (including tryouts) or participating in an interscholastic scrimmage or contest as a member of a high school athletic team, participates in any athletic competition not sponsored by his or her school in the same sport during the same season, shall become ineligible for a minimum of the next three (3) days of competition and maximum of the remainder of that sport season in that school year
 - Golf shall apply the limited team membership rule from the point of a student's first participation in an interscholastic scrimmage or contest, rather than practice (p. 55)
- During the high school season in golf, a member of the school team in that sport may participate in a maximum of two non-school contests in that sport while not representing his or her school; an event held on not more than three consecutive calendar days is considered a single meet
 - Records established shall not count toward any qualifying requirement for MHSAA meets (p. 55)
 - Tournaments entered under the above provision shall not affect the number of games, contests, or days of competition specified for each school team and individual (p. 55)
- A student or team shall participate in no more than 4 interscholastic scrimmages and in no more than 16 days of competition, exclusive of the MHSAA tournament (p. 67)
- A contestant in any sport shall not participate on two different teams on the same date in the same sport, except wrestling, and those sports that allow a "fifth quarter" of participation (basketball, bowling, football, boys lacrosse, girls lacrosse, soccer) (p. 69)