

# Woodbridge High School

# Boys Golf

## *Welcome Packet*



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## Boys Golf Welcome Letter

Dear Student-Athletes and Parents,

Welcome to the 2025 Woodbridge High School Boys Golf season. This season, the varsity team will have 6 starting athletes competing in 6 regular-season matches. A seventh player will join those 6 players in all home matches and some away matches. We will carry extra boys to grow our team. The emphasis for the entire team will be on developing our team's character through the experience of match play. Let's build a sense of team commitment to each other, be accountable, improve our physical strength/endurance, master our ball-striking technique, and treat each opportunity on the course as a gift to perform to our utmost potential.

We will face some strong teams in our league this season. Through this adversity, let's keep a positive mindset, as our character will be defined. From these challenges comes the strength that will lead our team to success. I am excited to see this group grow into an amazing team over the next few years!

Golf is an exceptionally demanding sport. Both mentally and physically, it can take a toll on the body if you are not prepared. I ask that parents get involved to keep your student-athlete healthy throughout the season. This involves exercising regularly, eating correctly, proper hydration, and getting an appropriate amount of sleep each night.

In this Welcome Packet, you will find team policies, (tentative) schedule, playing time, (NEW) non-starter information, donation information, and other pertinent golf-related information that should answer most of your questions.

This is my sixth year coaching both Boys and Girls golf for Woodbridge. I have also played, coached, and officiated hockey at many different levels. I will make some mistakes this year, as will you. Let's all plan to learn and grow together to become better teammates from them.

Our boys are facing a lot of new demands in education that have made High School challenging. Let's keep a positive attitude, work together, and enjoy that we get to play one of the best games on earth together.

The [Varsity Match Schedule](#) includes the matches that we will be participating in this season. There will be 6 regular season matches along with some qualifiers and non-league matches. **PLEASE NOTE:** We will continue to be flexible with the match schedule. Golf courses in Orange County are having trouble accommodating tee times for High School matches. Teams have to move matches (last minute) to new dates/times at different courses. Every team is scrambling with their home course to lock in tee times for matches during their golf season.

Most matches should fall between Tuesdays - Thursdays, we may have some Monday rounds in between. (See [playing time page](#) for specifics). The top 6 players will play in home and away matches, league finals, and CIF for both individuals and as a team based on qualification.

Please remember, we are guests at every course. Please treat all employees, staff, other teams, and other members playing the course with complete respect. Courses are in high demand and we want to represent Woodbridge High School Golf well. We must keep our relationships with golf courses positive. We need these courses a lot more than they need us. So, let's appreciate the privilege of playing golf at their course.

If any schedule conflicts arise, please email me at your earliest convenience so that we can make the necessary adjustments to the roster. Always refer to the [Varsity Match Schedule](#) to see the latest changes to our playing schedule. If you are in the top 6, there is an expectation that you will be able to attend all of our playoff events, should we qualify/advance.

Lastly, as someone who both played and refereed hockey at all different levels both nationally, internationally, and collegiately; I can say with confidence that it is your teammates that you will miss the most when you look back on your playing career. The competition is great, and winning cures many things, but I can't emphasize enough how the time in between shots is what you will remember most...not your individual scores. Take a moment, soak it in, enjoy your teammates, have fun, crack a joke, laugh and smile, and enjoy the time to bond with your team. It goes by so quickly! The road trips, lunch with teammates, and the bond(s) shared with others that have (or will) form both on and off the course, are what will tie you to this extraordinary game, and always be with you as you move through life.

This is for the players....I am always here for you. If you have a concern or want to talk about something on or off the course, maybe an idea, my door is always open. I don't have my own room this year, so feel free to email me, or drop by Coach Atallah's room (on odd days) in S-5 at lunch (or 5th period) to set up a time to chat. Feel free to reach out to me in person on campus when I am roving between the Math and Science buildings. Lastly, **don't print this entire packet out!** This is a working, fluid document that will have many changes. I will constantly be updating it. My goal is to continue to add to this document throughout the season to refine it and add more important information! **EMAIL will be our primary form of communication. Please make sure you are checking your email!!!**

I am looking forward to a rewarding and successful season!

Sincerely,

*Andrew Parker*

Boys Varsity Head Coach

[andrewparker@iusd.org](mailto:andrewparker@iusd.org)





## Player Expectations

### Team Policies

1. Come **on time** every day, **ready** to practice. If a match starts at 4:00, be there early!
2. Respect the game, your coaches, your teammates, your opponents, and the course. You are representing Woodbridge High School as a member of the Golf Team.
3. Keep **Cell Phones** put away during matches. We will often have an 8th hole text notice, where you can pull out your phones to let your parents know you have 1 more hole to play before pickup. Live scoring will be done for CIF, so a phone is needed for CIF.
4. Practices are for **WHS Players** and **WHS Coaching Staff** only. Yet, parents are welcome to hit the range.
5. Focus on trying to get better every day.
6. Have fun!

### More Expectations

1. Harassment or belittlement of any member of our team or the opposing team(s) will not be tolerated.
2. The use of alcohol or other drugs will not be tolerated. This is a **zero-tolerance** policy.
3. Students may occasionally be asked to leave class early to participate in matches. It is up to the student-athlete to schedule make-up work with the teachers beforehand.
4. Players must notify Coach Parker [andrewparker@iusd.org](mailto:andrewparker@iusd.org) as soon as possible if they will be missing a match, practice, or a team commitment for any reason.
5. Players are not allowed to leave a match early unless cleared by the coaching staff. You must wait until the match is over to help encourage your teammates. Practice rounds are different.

It is the hard work put in through practice that improves your focus and conditioning. Force yourself to put in the work, even when you are fatigued. Make it your objective to be in better condition than any opponent we face throughout the year. Eat balanced meals, avoid junk food, and make sure you stay hydrated throughout your day. Listen to your coach. Though you may not agree with a decision, let's have that "why" discussion at another time in a one-on-one format, not in front of the team. And finally, NEVER GIVE UP: on yourself, on your teammates, on your team, in practice, in a match, or in life. Perseverance, hard work, and determination will always outperform resting, undeveloped, innate talent.





## Grading, Practices, and Playing Time

### Grading

All students on the golf team must be enrolled in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> period Golf. **Academic grades are based on:**

Attendance - all students are expected to be dressed and ready to practice by the time that is given to them by the coach. If you are absent, you need to let the coaches or team captains know via text or email (especially on game days).

Participation - is required for the entire semester, including after the season is over. **See the next page for responsibilities.**

Dress code - wearing appropriate practice attire is required for participation in practices and games. Appropriate attire includes golf shoes, a collared shirt, and any of the following for matches: black pants or black shorts. Practice rounds don't require a WHS polo, but it still needs to be a polo and please look golf course appropriate/respectable.

Cooperation and Work Habits - based on behavior and attitude during practices and games.

**Failure in any area above can result in a lower grade and loss of playing time on game days.**

Off-Season Golf: Students are expected to be playing/practicing at least once a week on their own. If you play a round, please take a picture of the scorecard and email it to Coach Parker at: [andrewparker@iusd.org](mailto:andrewparker@iusd.org) If this is a difficult thing for you, or your family, let's talk and try to come up with a plan. The best practice is to play!

### Practice Time

**Varsity In Season:** Monday practices from 3:00 pm until we finish.

\*\*\* I try to keep your Fridays open \*\*\*

**The first day of official after-school practice will begin once you have been cleared by athletics.** There will not be any official practices held during any holidays. However, players are encouraged to take every opportunity to practice on their own and are allowed to stay beyond the official practice times on the days we have practices. All practices will be at the Rancho San Joaquin Driving Range or Course. I highly recommend that you pick up an SCGA Junior Card. Rancho is only \$5 to play with this card, small buckets are \$1, and there are a ton of courses that you can play for relatively cheap! ([see here](#))

## Playing Time (READ THIS if you want to START)

The top 6 players will play in matches. The starting top 6 is determined by each player's scores. We will have several pre-season matches at the beginning of the season, where players will rotate to determine the starting 6 for match competition. Based on our team, the **top 4** starting spots have been earned by Logan, Joe, Eli, and Charlie. The 5th and 6th starting spots will likely rotate between the rest of the team. Every spot is open to every player on the team. Should a starter's game tank, and another player's game improve, we will make adjustments based on what is best for the team's success. Starting is merit-based, and skill will dictate who plays in matches.

Alex, Kaiden, and Jonah came in pretty close in scoring during the pre-season. These spots will move around in the pre-season matches based on the competition and we will find our starters throughout the season. Alex, Kaiden, and Jonah will earn their way into their starting positions based on their recent level of play. Our team currently has 7 players, who will compete for the 6 spots throughout the season, and the 7th spot will be a coach/captain's pick to play with the coaches in most matches. Reach out if you have questions.

**Non-starters may not see much playing time this year.** Positions 8 and up will not see much course time this year. In the past, the Competition Wednesday rounds were used to determine weekly playing positions. Due to changes in our home course access, it doesn't make much sense to pay \$25 a kid for a recreational round when you can play Rancho for \$5 on your own with teammates. We will be rotating in players in that 7th spot instead of having many competition practice rounds.

Averages/index scores will be kept [HERE](#) for every match or practice round. Whenever the entire team has course access, these averages will be looked at to help determine positioning and playing partners. **Please note** the criteria for those who are outside the top 6 and looking in will be new this year! The coach will be rotating players into the 7th spot (with coaches) to see how they play in a "match-like" setting. Playing on your own is great, but rounds that are played outside the team events cannot be used as determinants to work your way inside the top 6. Yet, if you have a fantastic round (must be with a teammate), I will look at this as a possible reason to give you a spot in the 7th position at matches.

The coach's and the team captain's feedback will also be included when determining positioning. The determination of where you should be placed on the team is a fluid process that is always changing. The lineup can change at any time, should one player improve dramatically, or bring down their scores significantly, the strengths of a certain player might better match a longer course better, along with injuries and sickness. We might give a kid a shot because they have been working hard and improving their game, so please note that I will shake up the starting lineup if the team needs it.

Missing practice rounds, skipping practice without prior communication, etc. (*i.e. not being responsive to communication or not being accountable to the team*) will factor into the decision of starting and playing matches. You are in control of the playing time by coming in with your lowest rounds. As a coach, I try to let your performance speak for itself. As a player, I always listened to the team captain. So listen up to Joe!

When the team captain(s) communicate with the team, please listen to them. If you have an issue, run it by the captain (Joe Firestone) first to get his feedback. Lineups will be determined by what is best for the team's success. We will mix up lineups within the top six (*i.e. our #1 and #2 best players might not always play together*). It is imperative that playing partners have built chemistry with each other. *The top 6 players for matches will be determined by: 1) Most recent scores and 2) work ethic, attitude, and recent improvement in your game.*

# **Woodbridge 2025** (Away match = **Confirmed**) **Match Schedule**

Date	Day of Week	Time	Home Team	Away Team	Non vs. League
2/1/2025	Saturday	11:00 AM	Father - Son Scramble - Strawberry Farms		
2/4/2025	Tuesday	2:30 PM	MV	WHS	Scrimmage
2/11/2025	Tuesday	3:00pm	Varsity Qualifer		
2/13/2025	Thursday	3:00pm	WHS	MV	Non -league
2/20/2025	Thursday	3:00pm	WHS	Northwood	Non -league
2/24/2025	Monday	3:00 PM	Beckman	WHS	Non -league
2/25/2025	Tuesday	3:00pm	WHS	Beckman	Non -league
2/26/2025	Wednesday	3:00pm	WHS	Portola	Non -league
3/3/2025	Monday	3:00 PM	Portola	WHS	Non -league
3/4/2025	Tuesday	3:00pm	Northwood	WHS	Non -league
Day light savings starts 3/9 - move matches later					
3/11/2025	Tuesday	4:00pm	WHS	Laguna	League # 1
3/13/2025	Thursday	4:00pm	Varsity Qualifer		
3/19/2025	Wednesday	4:00pm	Strawberry Preview Round - only 7 players		
3/20/2025	Thursday	4:00pm	University	WHS	League # 2
3/25/2025	Tuesday	4:00pm	Sage	WHS	League # 3
3/27/2025	Thursday	4:00pm	Varsity Qualifer		
Spring Break 3/31 - 4/6					
4/10/2025	Thursday	4:00pm	Varsity Qualifer		
4/15/2025	Tuesday	4:00pm	WHS	University	League # 4
4/16/2025	Wednesday	4:00pm	Laguna Beach	WHS	League # 5

**\*\*League Finals is a 2-day event (combined score). Top 6 advance to CIF Individuals\*\***

**April 28 (Day 1 - Mon): Costa Mesa Top 40 players**

**April 29 (Day 2 - Tues): Costa Mesa Top 20 players from Day 1**



**Be careful with giving advice! Only advise your partner, no one else!**

Think of the Ryder Cup.

PLEASE read the bottom of this link [here](#)

- This Advice rule is also below. **PLEASE READ THIS!!!**

*Advice Rule 10-2 (Advice and Assistance) in the Rules of Golf specifically prohibits players from receiving any counsel or suggestion from anyone including their teammates, other players, spectators, or parents.*

*"Advice" is any counsel or suggestion that could influence a player in determining his play, the choice of club, or the method of making a stroke. However, information on the Rules of Golf, matters of public information and/or Local Rules for this tournament is not considered advice.*

*A player shall not give advice to anyone in the competition. Verbal or non-verbal communication between coaches, players, parents and/or spectators that meets the criteria of the Advice Rule will be considered a violation.*

*The penalty as described in the Rules of Golf (Rule 8, stroke play) is two strokes. A player who witnesses a violation of the Advice Rule is advised to call the infraction immediately to the attention of the competitor. Event staff who witness infractions are empowered to call the violation and assess the penalty.*





## Donation Information - \$600 Suggested

Our team is funded entirely by the generosity of our parents. While state law does not allow school districts to charge fees to students for educational activities, these programs rely on financial contributions from participating families. Please know that a donation is not required to participate, and families that choose to contribute may do so at any amount. However, donations will help sustain our programs at their current level. Conversely, insufficient funding will negatively impact these educational opportunities and could result in matches/rounds being canceled.

We rely on parental donations to offset the cost of green fees for our matches. Home teams are responsible for covering the green fees for both teams playing, which is 16 players (8 players each team: WHS and our opponent) for our scheduled home matches. We also have to cover the green fees for those who will participate in the non-league matches.

Rancho is asking \$30 a kid per round this year. Since we have 20 regular rounds scheduled at Rancho this year. We need to cover 16 tee times for each home match (the opponent's team and our team), which comes out to \$480 a home match. We are hoping to fully fundraise enough money to pay for the program to operate. Therefore, we are at a \$10,080 operating budget. Below is the math:

**\$7200** All 15 home matches for 16 players, 128 total tee times *(\$30 a kid)*

**\$2400** All 5 home matches for 16 players *(\$30 a kid)*

**\$480** for a monthly ball membership + extra balls for the away team (before matches) for home and away teams.

= **\$10,080** operating expenses.

All home teams are responsible for covering range balls before matches for both the home team and the away team. Range balls are very expensive. The operating budget above does not account for range balls for our team. We will not be able to contribute more than a bucket of balls for practices. Therefore, **everyone on the team needs to commit to providing themselves with range balls** to keep the costs down. Everyone needs to have either a range key (which covers a bucket of balls each day at Rancho) and/or a current SCGA membership to get a small bucket for \$1.

Please write one donation check to be written out to “**Woodbridge High School**” (Boys golf team in the memo line).

- 1) The single most **important item** we need to cover is the Green Fees. We need to cover the cost of matches (for WHS and our opponents). The top 6 players will compete in both home and away matches, and some players will play in the pre-season matches. We also need to have reserves for league finals and to budget for both team and individual CIF Southern Sectionals/Regionals.
- 2) The second most important items are uniforms. **The uniform cost will not be covered by the \$600 donation.** Uniform purchases will be outside your \$600 donation. We will again use a black and a red polo. All players may also use their own polos they currently own (*2 separate polos - 1 red polo and 1 other polo would be black*).
- 3) The third item is optional. WHS Golf bags are available for an additional **\$198 per bag**. If this is something you want, please add it to the total donation of \$798. You get to keep the bag! The bags are a big thing in high school to have your name on them, yet I am not going to force any player to have to buy one. You are free to play with the golf bag you currently have. If money is tight, skip the bag this year. The turnaround takes a while, so if this is something you are interested in, we should get this going ASAP. I have included some pictures below to give you an idea of what the bag would look like. The pocket in the front for balls will have your name and the Woodbridge logo. Below is how the embroidery would look.





- 4) Lastly, here is a list of [Srixon team pricing](#) for 2025. Srixon does our team bags, so we can get a discount on balls, clubs, and wedges. Cleveland is the parent company, and they make exceptional wedges. We have to pay shipping and taxes on all orders. If a player would like to order a dozen balls, please include the cost of them in the parent's donation. Plan on using your own golf balls to start the season, and then we can put in a team order to keep the shipping cost down. Yet, equipment is a personal choice, and I don't want to limit anyone's comfort level by asking players to use a certain ball brand. Clubs, balls, shoes, gloves, rangefinders, and bags are your choice to use what you are most comfortable with. Please note that rangefinders can only be for distance (not wind or slope).

**ALL OF THE MONEY DONATED GOES ENTIRELY TO BOYS GOLF.** Your generosity will help ensure a successful season with fun events for the student-athletes.

This season, we are asking parents to donate at least 2 dozen balls to their own kids (I will not be collecting these balls, this is so your child has their own ball to play in matches with). Should you be willing to donate anything additional that your family can afford to put towards the boy's golf program, we would most appreciate it! The minimum donation level of \$500 will cover your son, but should you want to donate additional funds to help build the boy's golf program, we would gladly appreciate your generosity.





**To make a tax-deductible donation please make all donations through check.** We have had problems with the online donations made on the school's website. You can turn in your check to their coach, or your son can drop it off in the activities office on campus.

***PLEASE don't donate Boosters for your donations, a check is preferred.***

Please make the check out to **Woodbridge High School** and in the memo line please put **WHS Boys Golf + student's name.**

**Thank you for your support and generosity of the WHS Golf Team!**

**Where does any additional fundraising money go?**

Our fundraising goal for this year is to raise additional money to continue to build out a development team. Coach Parker started golf in High School because his neighbor was into golf. I soon fell in love with the game because this neighbor dragged me out on the course. I hope to build a program to introduce more High School kids to this great game! I split teaching between Special Education, Science, and Mathematics. Therefore, I am looking for other ways to get our kids involved in sports. This is my long-term vision, yet with steep increases in green fees, growing the game at WHS is a challenge. If additional funds are raised, it will be disbursed as follows:

**Green Fees Reserves:** In case a player's family is financially burdened, this would support your teammates.

**Tournament Reserves:** When we play in tournaments or CIF. There are usually fees associated for entry. These are usually around \$40 per player.

**Additional Golf:** Extra money for green fees/additional courses/practice rounds so we can play more courses.

**Balls:** The team will have access to Srixon balls, I would like to award a game/match ball for a solid round in the competition. It would be nice to have extra balls for boys to play with, especially those with families who may not afford them.

**Equipment/Launch Monitors:** This is a goal for the team to get. Technology has exploded. It would be wonderful to have these pieces of equipment for the team. The boys would benefit from the data a launch monitor could bring to the program. Shag tubes, nets, tees, misc needs are always needed.





## Apparel

This season's uniforms will have 2 polo shirts. We will also build a team store to look at pullovers and other options for your uniforms this year. Apparel will **not** be covered in the \$600 suggested donation this year.

The polo shirts will have our new Woodbridge Golf logo embroidered on both shirts and will be worn on home or away matches.

The team is **not** expected to wear WHS attire in **practice rounds**, yet a collared shirt is required on the course at all times. You are expected to wear either a Red or Black (WHS preferred) collared shirt at all matches. Let's represent WHS Golf well!

We can also reach out to former players if you need a shirt and don't want to buy a new one.







# Athletic Clearance

Do this to practice and play!

Please bring this form to your doctor. [attached](#)

I need every player cleared on athletic clearance before they start practice. Please use the attached form (above) to fill out, then follow the steps here so they know how to upload it to their clearance:

<https://woodbridgehigh.iusd.org/athletics/athletic-clearance>

Once the clearance is finished, you will receive an email confirmation page with instructions to bring it to the Athletics office. Yet, students may also print, sign, and take a photo/scan and email it, which is the preferred method right now to eliminate less foot traffic through the office. This can also be dropped off at the Activities window before school, during break, or during lunch.



# Pre-Season Checklist

Have you read the following?

- Reviewed the Welcome Packet
- Read and Reviewed the Team Rules and Team Policies
- Read and Reviewed Practice and Match Schedule  
\*\*\*And will email Coach Parker if there are any conflicts\*\*\*
- Completed Athletic Physical to be able to practice and play  
\*\*\*Forms Within this Welcome Packet (Page 13)\*\*\*
- Reviewed the Donation Information Page and visited  
[WoodbridgeWarriors.com](http://WoodbridgeWarriors.com) for more information.
- Emailed this page to Coach Parker by February 24th, 2025

I have read the Welcome Packet and Agree to the Team Rules and Policies.

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Student Signature

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Parent Signature