



## **2023 NIAA Class 2A West League Girls Golf Tournament**

The 2023 Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association Class 2A West League Girls Golf Tournament is scheduled for Wednesday, October 11 at Eagle Valley Golf Course East in Carson City.

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## **TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

### **October 11**

Coaches Meeting at 11:00 a.m.

First Tee Time at 11:30 a.m.

## **LOCATION**

Eagle Valley Golf Course East is located at 3999 Centennial Park Drive in Carson City. The website is here: [Eagle Valley Golf Course](#).

[A Google map of Eagle Valley Golf Course is here.](#)

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. All postseason-eligible schools are permitted to enter a team or individuals in the Class 2A West League tournament.
2. The top three (3) teams and top six (6) individuals from non-qualifying teams in this tournament will advance to the NIAA Class 2A state tournament.
3. Teams will consist of a maximum of six (6) players and must have a minimum of four (4) legal scorecards signed and turned in after each round in order to post a team score.
4. The tournament will be a single-day, 18-hole event. A team's best four (4) scores will count toward determining the team score. Players must turn in a signed scorecard after the round in order to qualify for individual honors.
5. Should weather, darkness or any other unforeseeable delay not allow for the completion of the round, final team and individual scores will be based on the results of the last common hole completed by all players (applicable only to a tournament formatted with tee times – starting off hole(s) 1 or 10).
6. The tournament will be governed by the USGA's "2023 Rules of Golf" book, the NIAA Handbook, the NIAA Reference Manual, this information packet and the local rules sheet (if available) published specifically for this tournament. This tournament information packet is a binding document for the rules and regulations of this tournament.
7. The NIAA's "blackout rule" is no longer in effect. The "Sunday" no-play rule is in effect, however, and TEAMS (defined as two or more players together) are NOT permitted to play the course on Sunday since it is not a tournament travel day. Individuals, however, may play the course so long as they are playing alone (without any other teammate, coach, etc.).

8. Substitutions will not be permitted after the start of the tournament, even in the case of injury and/or illness. A team may play with four or fewer players, but it must have four scorecards signed and turned in after each round in order to post a team score.
9. Monitors will not be permitted to give rulings. All rulings will be made per the tournament and/or golf course staff. Please refer to the Monitor's Guidelines sheet contained on the NIAA website.
10. Spectators are permitted to follow play and be around the course, but are NOT permitted to offer advice to a player during a round. Spectators must sign the NIAA Spectator Release/Waiver/Rules acknowledgement form prior to entering the course proper.

The NIAA greatly encourages all competitors, coaches, teams and spectators to thank the Eagle Valley staff for their generous donation of the course for the region championship tournament.

### **ON-COURSE COACHING REGULATIONS**

Coaching is permitted on all areas of the course in the 2023 NIAA league/region and state golf tournaments (effective 2012 fall girls golf season). Coaches and players must, however, adhere to the following criteria:

1. The coach must be approved through his/her respective school, administration and/or district. The coach will be required to wear/display a name tag/badge identifying him/her as the approved on-course coach.
2. Two (2) coaches may coach during the league/region and state tournaments.

In the spirit of the coaching rule, players are at no time to be coaches.

Once a player has completed her round, she shall become a spectator (subject to the restrictions of a spectator and fellow competitor) and will thus not be permitted to offer advice to teammates still out on the course.

The penalty for offering advice to a teammate or any other competitor while play is in progress shall be two strokes per incident in accordance with the USGA's rule book as determined by the tournament director and verified by the tournament's rules committee.

3. It is imperative that coaches do not slow the pace of play. Slow play will be penalized as per USGA rules.

4. No teaching aid or technology other than USGA-approved distance measuring devices will be allowed on the course. This would include, but not be limited to, radios, cell phones, video cameras, etc.

If a coach violates any of these rules, he/she will be asked to immediately return and remain at the clubhouse. The school will then lose all coaching privileges for the remainder of the tournament.

## **REFERENCE MANUAL INFORMATION**

1. Distance measuring devices, per USGA and local association guidelines, are permitted in all high school play (including league/region and division championship tournaments). Other technology (including, but not limited to, mobile phones, music players and the like) is NOT permitted for use during a competitor's round. The penalty for using illegal technology is, in the first incident, two (2) strokes and, in the second occurrence, disqualification.
2. Motorized (i.e. electric and/or gas operated) carts will not be permitted during high school play unless a) they are afforded to all players in the field, b) the tournament staff announces shuttling will be provided at certain areas of the course and/or c) an appeal by school personnel is verified with an accompanied medical documentation. Pull / Manual carts are permitted at all times in high school play.
3. Tee times for the tournament will be determined by the NIAA.

## **IN-TOURNAMENT TIE-BREAKER**

### **Team ties**

The aggregate stroke score of the four (4) lowest 18-hole scores for each team, (each day), shall constitute their school's team score. Ties for the championship and/or runner-up trophies will be handled in accordance with NIAA playoff procedures described below.

1. If the total of the low four (4) scores (each day) results in a tie after 18/36 holes, the lowest (two-day total) score of the fifth person(s) on the team will determine the winner. It is possible in a two-day tournament that the fifth-place finisher could be two different team members. If one team does not have a fifth score and the other team does, the team with the fifth score wins.
2. If the tie remains after step 1, the tied teams will follow the same procedure comparing the scores of the sixth-place finisher.
3. If the sixth persons are also tied, all six players from each team will play one hole of sudden victory. Each team will count its lowest four (4) scores on this hole with the lowest total winning. If the total of the four scores are the same, the lowest score of the a) fifth player and/or/then b) sixth player on the sudden victory hole will determine the winner. If the score of the fifth and/or/then sixth player also results in a tie, the teams will play another hole and proceed with the tie-breaking procedure as outlined. This procedure will continue until a winner is determined.

### **Ties for individual medalists**

Only ties for the (top) medalist (first place) honor will be broken by a sudden victory playoff. Ties for other medals will be determined by matching scorecards, as recommended by the USGA and outlined below:

1. The player with the best/lowest score on the back nine, final day only, will earn the higher/better finishing place.
2. If a tie remains, the player with the best/lowest score on the last six holes, final day only, will earn the higher/better finishing place.
3. If a tie remains, the player with the best/lowest score on the last three holes, final day only, will earn the higher/better finishing place.
4. If a tie remains, the player with the best/lowest score on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole, final day only, will earn the higher/better finishing place.

**Note:** In the event multiple tees are used to start the tournament, the last nine holes will be Nos. 10-18 on the scorecard, the last six will be Nos. 13-18 on the scorecard, etc. At all times, the last nine holes will be represented by Nos. 10-18 on the scorecard.