



Xavier Hawks Golf Team Expectations



2020 Golf Season

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Please feel free to call or email me at any time. If you are going to miss practice, want to talk about your game, need a friend to talk to or having trouble in school my line is always open. I have your back! It is my goal to make you successful!

COACHING PHILOSOPHY:

My coaching philosophy is based on the love of the game and my desire to provide a family-like atmosphere around our team. My philosophy has four key talking points and you will learn from me that they are all equally as important. Go Hawks!

(1) ACADEMICS- That is why you are here and that will always be my number one priority for you. I will make sure you are keeping up on your studies and excelling in the classroom first.

(2) ATHLETICS- To the best of my ability I will use my expertise and experiences as a PGA Professional to combine with your strengths as a student-athlete. WE will work together to make you as good a player and teammate as we possibly can. I will work tirelessly so that you can attain your goals as a student-athlete and be successful on and off the course. Winning is important, but never forget the journey.

(3) TEAMMATES- Although golf is mostly known as an individual sport it is very important that we have a team atmosphere. These are the **key aspects to being a good teammate** on this team.

Love your teammates! Pick them up when they are down, and celebrate with them when they are successful. We are only as good as the whole of the team.

Give thanks! There are so many people out there who are making this all possible. Appreciate your parents and do nice things for them to show you care. They are the reason you are in the position you are in. Respect the golf course and the great people that run it. I don't care where we go always show thanks to the people who allow us to play there and do nice things for them. Recognize your teachers for filling you with knowledge that will allow you to become a successful person.

Give back! Whenever possible use your position to make someone else's life better. Whether it is helping with junior golf, chipping in at the course when you are not asked or volunteering at your school or in the community. Giving back is the best representation of yourself and your school. You are a Xavier Hawk everywhere you go and everything you do!

Your Success = Team Success! Winning is not a given, winning is earned. If you want to be a good teammate and be successful, be on time, be selfless, be humble, be honest, be accountable, be responsible, lead by example, practice like you want to play, be resilient and never ever give up.

(4) THE JOURNEY- Winning takes effort and we will give all our effort to succeed. Practice your short game tirelessly. The short game will separate you from the rest. Get stronger. I preach the techniques of TPI to get your body right and give your swing the best chance at success. We will work hard to find ways to motivate you to be better and succeed. Have fun! If you are not having fun we need to consider the reasons and keep golf fun. Never give up. I will preach that every day. If you are having a bad hole keep fighting, you never know what one stroke can mean until you have given it away. When you're down...get up, your team depends on you. If you have a bad hole, a bad round or a bad day let's work together to make it short lived. Always smile and go to bed ready to dream big!

WE WILL ALWAYS:

Have **RESPECT**: **RESPECT** for teammates and coaches, for opponents, **RESPECT** for the course, **RESPECT** for the game, and **RESPECT** for ourselves. We will always **RESPECT** what is in the best interest of the team and our school.

Be **HONEST**: Golf is an **HONEST** person's game, we **WILL NOT** cheat and **WE WILL** play by the rules of golf, WIAA and Xavier High.

TRY YOUR BEST: Whether it be in practice or at a match we will give 110% every day. If you have a bad day or even a bad hole, as long as you have **TRIED YOUR BEST**, you are a success.

Have **FUN**: And I mean tons of **FUN**. Golf is a game you can enjoy with teammates, family and friends for a lifetime. Enjoy your teammates, enjoy your opponents, enjoy your coaches and enjoy the beautiful courses we get to play. Consider yourself fortunate and have **FUN** every day!



Expectations:

- Be to all practices and matches on time. Unexcused absences may cost you the opportunity to play in matches. I do understand things come up with school and family. If possible, please let me know of those times you are going to miss practice or a match well in advance.
- WE will always care for the course and leave it better than we found it (fix ball marks, repair divots, rake bunkers, etc...).
- WE will ALWAYS shake the hands of the opposing TEAM(S) AND HOST COACH after a match and thank the manager or Golf Professional of the course that we played.
- WE will NEVER use cell phones during practice or a match.
- WE will always dress for success. I want all players wearing a collared shirt and khaki, blue or white pants or shorts for all practices and matches.
- WE will always play with a positive attitude. Outward anger, swearing, throwing of clubs or destruction of the course will not be

tolerated. WE will maintain a positive attitude even during the most trying times to make us stronger in the end.

- WE will continue to give 100% at school even during the long golf season. If you cannot make school, you will not be allowed to play or practice that day.
- Please download the APP Teamsnap and I will send you an invite. This is our calendar and message board for the year.

Make BDM proud to have us! Always care greatly for the course by fixing our ball marks and divots along with others you may see. Respect the members; give them right of way on the course and the range. Offer to help whenever help is asked of us. Say “Please” and “Thank You” A lot goes a long way!

Things You Should Have For Practice and Matches:

(There are many different types of weather we need to be prepared for)

- Always have at least 2 DRY towels ready at all times.
- A warm golf jacket.
- A good umbrella.
- Team Shirt (Purchased at the beginning of year and it is yours to keep (Approx. \$65).
- Rain gear.
- Plenty of balls and tees.
- A rules book. You do not need to memorize the rules you just need to know how to use one. If you do not have one, I will get you one.
- Water - drink plenty of it. Stay hydrated.
- Energy snacks for the course.
- A positive attitude.

Qualifying:

The Xavier team is made up of at least 15 players. 3 qualifying nines will be used to determine the squad starting the first day of practice. There is no mandatory practice on spring break except the day before a match. Every golfer will get a fair shot to play in all matches. Qualifying matches will be recorded and be cumulative for the entire season. All conference or tournament matches will count towards your cumulative average. I will do my best to give all athletes the opportunity to play in a match at some point throughout the season. If you fail to play in a Varsity or JV match we will always keep practices competitive and teaching a priority so you can improve your game and better your chances at playing in a match later in the year or a following season. It's a new year everyone starts at 0!