

# RED WING BOYS GOLF

## Team Handbook

### RED WING Boys Golf Team Profile and Information

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#### Academic Expectations

As students of Red Wing public schools, academics come first, and athletics second. Regular check-ups will be made on grades, attendance, and behavior. Failure to abide by the guidelines of your instructors will result in disciplinary actions. Look to school policy for issues with academic ineligibility.

#### Behavior Expectations

Suspensions for tobacco, alcohol, drug use, violence, sexual harassment, or any other violations will be according to MSHSL rules and our district policies. If these types of activities are more important than your commitment to the team and your teammates I suggest you quit golf. Any behavior resulting in discipline by a teacher or administrator may also result in some measure of golf team discipline. The golf course is an extension of the classroom in this way. If there is any player that has a negative impact on our team through attitude or behavior, as coach we reserve the right to dismiss the player from the team at any time. Playing golf is a privilege, not a right.

\*If you receive ISS or OSS, you will not be allowed to practice or play during your suspension. Because of missed practice time, you will also miss a period of time to be determined by your coach.

#### Practice Expectations

Practice begins every day at 3:00 unless otherwise stated by the coaches. Come to practice prepared to play. If you cannot be to practice on time contact one of the coaches so they know in advance. There may be days where Varsity and JV have tournaments and you are still expected to practice. There will be a sign in sheet in the golf shop. If you cannot attend practice for any reason, you personally must contact your coach personally, phone call or email. If you are too ill to contact the coach, please have a parent call instead. Attendance problems will result in disciplinary actions or dismissal from the team at the discretion of the coaches.

## **Teams:**

Varsity team will be made up of our top 6 players, JV will be the next 6 and B squad/Middle School Team for the remaining players. Lineups will change based on results of each event and practice scores. Each tournament/match allows for 6 or 12 players to play depending on the event. Tournaments/Matches will be scheduled for all teams. Kids who meet the academic requirements and practice expectations will play in matches.

\*Coaches will try to put kids where we think they have the best chance to be successful.

## **Golf Course Expectations**

Treat all equipment, opponents, teammates and golf course turf with respect. Throwing clubs, swearing or poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated.

## **Dress Code/Uniforms**

We will be ordering team uniforms. Please submit your order form by March 25<sup>th</sup>. Denim is okay to wear for practice and home matches. Be aware that some away courses will have strict dress code policies which will require golfers to wear golf slacks and collared shirts. We let you know in advance which uniform to wear for events.

## **Game Days**

You must be in school the day of a scheduled game, otherwise you are not eligible to play. Tournaments and matches will normally require kids to be dismissed from school early. Dismissal times will listed on the schedule. Coaches will let the kids know which events they will be participating the day before the event.

## **Transportation**

For away games, get your equipment and be ready to go well before the bus is scheduled to leave. When we are traveling to and from matches and tournaments, bus conduct will model the behavior that is expected of you as athletes in school and on the course. Problems with behavior on the bus will be dealt with using the coach's discretion.

## **Nutrition**

Nutrition is more important than many people realize. Make sure you are eating well-balanced meals. If you want your body to perform at a high level, treat your body accordingly.

## **Final Thoughts:**

Players need to be ready to work hard and have a positive attitude. We have high expectations for each player in our program. We believe each player will need to be challenged to maximize their potential. If a player does not want to be challenged or coached at a high level of intensity, their golf experience might not be a positive one. We can guarantee that throughout the course of the season, each player will have experiences that will be challenging. It is our hope that they will mature and grow because of these experiences. Remember.....THE COACHES ARE ON THE SIDE OF THE PLAYERS.

FIRST PRACTICE March 20<sup>s</sup> 2:45 at Mississippi National Golf Links