Mission Plan

Our mission is to introduce juniors to golf and fitness and assist them in experiencing this game to the fullest. We aim to train our students, with sound education from proven instructors, and prepare them for Middle and High School Golf.

Vision

Our vision for this monthly based program is to grow the game through the junior, grass roots level. It is our duty, as PGA Professionals, to grow the game and ensure that our students, and all golfers alike, have a vibrant future to play and compete.

Our program is unique and the only junior based program within 275 miles of Lubbock, TX. Our goal is to grow this program into a 100-200-300 level of instruction on multiple sessions during the week. We invite any junior that wants to play golf to join our academy and we invite their friends that are interested as well. We are going to have fun while also learning all aspects of this game we love.

We are aiming to have all interested students compete in PGA Junior League Golf. This program (benefits listed below) is a golf team that learns and competes together in a friendly, casual environment. This league has the same values that our academy does and is a great addition to the calendar. Our team will learn and compete, in season, and hopefully make it to Regionals/Nationals for the PGA Junior League Team Championships. In 2016, we sent 3 players to the All Star Team for our league.

Programs

All Students, ages 5-16, who are members of The West Texas Junior Golf Academy, will focus on the fundamentals of golf such as full swing, putting, chipping, rules, and etiquette. We will incorporate team based competitions and fitness to prepare our students for Middle and High School Golf.

Our Sessions will be on Tuesday’s and Thursday’s at The Rawls Course for 5-12 year olds and Saturday’s for our 13-16 year olds. (Winter Sessions – Days & Times will vary)

Our 5-8 year olds’ session will start at 4:00pm and last for 1 hour.

Our 9-12 year olds’ session will start at 5:30pm and last for 1 ½ hours.

Our 13-16 year olds’ session will start at 9:00am and last for 1 ½ hours.

Rules and Etiquette are going to be a very important aspect of our program. Sound instruction is vital to learning the game, but ladies and gentlemen are not made by instruction alone; it is the rules and etiquette that rounds us all out. We aim to incorporate these subjects into our sessions and strive to have the students understand the “why.”

Rules are always evolving and we will teach our students the proper and best way to utilize the rule book. Over the years we have seen many changes to the USGA Rules of Golf, so these sessions will be
two sided; the instructors honing their rules skills and the students will continually be learning new facts and putting them to use every time they tee it up.

Topics of etiquette are going to be, but not limited to: Fixing ball marks, raking bunkers, being quiet and courteous, where to stand and being still when others are swinging or putting.

We aim to build competition into every session. Linking the topic of the day (chipping/pitching/putting/etc.) to a contest and evolving into 3-6-9 hole matches.

*please be 15-min early for each session, so we can start on time.

**Website**  
http://www.westtexasjrgolfacademy.com

Our website will include all of our programming information, payment information, calendar of events and session information. We will have updates to parents and accolades for our students; including tournament results.

**Tuition:**  
$175 per month for 5-8 year olds *(10% sibling discount)/ Winter Session $90

$250 per month for 9-12 year olds *(10% sibling discount)/ Winter Session $125

$125 per month for 13-16 year olds *(Saturday only)/ Winter Session $125

**Benefits Package**

- Instruction from PGA Professionals with Low Student / Instructor Ratio
- Short Game and Full Swing Instruction
- Rules and Etiquette Education
- On-course Instruction
- Team Building Contests and Competition
- Golf Specific Fitness, as well as, Indoor Practice Facility

$35 Annual Registration Fee includes a 1yr Membership into The TROON Junior Club and access to the instructors below.

1. **TROON Junior Club**
   a. Troon Junior Club hat
   b. Troon Junior Club bag tag
   c. Complimentary use of Practice Facilities after 1pm & Special Golf Rates before 3pm
   d. Special Quarterly Junior Clinics
   e. Special invitations to play in select Junior and Parent / Junior events
   f. Exclusive Access to Troon Junior Club Social Media (with parental approval)
   g. All current Troon Family Golf Benefits:
h. Complimentary golf after 3 p.m. when playing with a paying adult
i. Complimentary Callaway Rental Clubs all day
j. Complimentary lesson with purchase of an adult lesson

Benefits Package (cont.)

2. PGA Jr. League Golf (league fee of $250)
   ** $200 if you are a member of the West Texas Junior Golf Academy)
   a. PGA Junior League Golf (PGA JLG) is designed to better socialize the game for boys and girls, ages 5-13. PGA JLG features team vs. team competitions in structured leagues that provide a popular, less stressful scramble format as opposed to stroke-play competition. This is a great way to get kids involved in the game!
      i. Uniforms, Player Numbers, Team Environment, Competition with Friends
      ii. Team Atmosphere to introduce kids to golf
      iii. Fun, low competition scramble and best-ball formats make learning easy
      iv. PGA JLG allows substitution in 3 hole segments, enabling beginner kids to “ease” into the event
   b. PGA Jr. League Golf is a 5 week session, anywhere from April 1st to July 31st
      i. 2017 season: June – July
      ii. There will be 6 practices and 5 matches in our session
      iii. Regionals are to be held between August and October
      iv. Team Championship (Nationals) are in November

Getting to know your Instructors

Gregory Fields, PGA Teaching Professional ~ The Rawls Course

With over 28 years of experience as a golf professional, Gregory brings a broad horizon of talent to the West Texas Junior Golf Academy. He and his wife recently relocated from Maui, Hawaii where he held positions of Senior Teaching Professional and Senior Instructor for the past 16 years. He was awarded 2014 Hawaii PGA Teacher of the Year and most recently was listed in “Top Teachers in Hawaii” by Golf Digest. He is a former Head Professional from Poppy Hills Golf Course in Pebble Beach, California and was Director of Instruction at the Bayonet and Black Horse Golf Courses in Monterey, California. He held several positions as PGA General Manager/ Head Professional in Colorado and New Jersey early in his career.

Gregory’s passion for teaching is exemplified in his enthusiastic approach to instructing the game of golf for all levels of players. His extensive knowledge of the golf swing has come from many sources including hands on experience since the age of 10, and numerous local and national teaching seminars and workshops throughout his career. He was named “Coach of the Year” by the National Junior College
Athletic Association for his role as Head Coach of the Burlington County College Golf Team back in 1992. He also enjoyed teaching several golf related Junior College courses in New Jersey and California. Always eager to improve anyone’s game in a diverse and fun way, Gregory has earned himself a reputation as a great instructor who has helped thousands of golfers more fully enjoy their game of golf. Gregory plans to complete his new website, funwithgolf.com early in 2016. Gregory’s is known to say often “Golf should be fun…but scoring better is more fun”

Barbara Scott, PGA Teaching Professional ~ Stone Gate Golf Course in Lubbock, TX

Anthony D. Pagliari, Certified PGA Professional & Asst General Manager ~ The Rawls Course

Certified PGA Head Golf Professional Anthony D. Pagliari hails from Erie, Pennsylvania. He has been part of The Rawls team since November 2014. Prior to coming to Lubbock, he was part of the St. James Plantation Professional Staff (TROON GOLF Property) for almost 9 years. Prior to moving to St. James Anthony played collegiate golf at The Pennsylvania State University – Behrend Campus where he was Rookie of the Year in 2001, made Captain in 2004 and Graduated in 2005 with a Bachelor’s Degree in Finance. Anthony spent the better part of a year in St. Michaels, Maryland at The Harbortowne Golf Club in 2006 before moving to North Carolina. Anthony is a Certified Professional in Golf Operations and is a Class-A Member of the PGA of America. He has dedicated his life to the game of golf and club fitting through instruction. He strives to give sound golf instruction and is dedicated to seeing his students succeed. He and his family live on the south side of Lubbock,TX.

Teaching Specialties: Club Fitting, Short-game incl. flop shots, chipping, putting and bunker play.

Awards and Recognition: 2007 Mizuno Club-Fitter of the Year

Tucker Allgood, PGA Associate ~ The Rawls Course

Tucker Allgood is a PGA Associate at The Rawls Course working towards becoming a Class A Member of The PGA of America, with 3 years in the Golf Course Industry. He grew up around the game, and has been playing since he was five years old. Tucker won a few junior tournaments, and was on the varsity team in high school. Tucker has a deep passion for the game, and loves to help introduce new people to the game.

Jay Thomas, PGA Associate ~ The Rawls Course

Jay Thomas is a PGA Associate at The Rawls Course, with 8 years in the Golf Course Industry and 20 years in the Health Services Industry. He has earned two degrees; a Bachelor’s of Science in Teaching from the University of Scranton and an Associate’s Degree in Golf Course Landscaping and Architecture from Western Texas College.