



## 2017 GIRLS' SPRING GOLF

### SPORT SPECIFIC INFORMATION

#### 2016 – 2017 GOLF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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**MIAA Liaison**  
Ann Trytko  
Assistant Director

## 2017 GIRLS SPRING GOLF TOURNAMENT

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & INFORMATION	DATES & SITES	TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR
Season Schedule Commitment	April 15, 2017	<p style="text-align: center;">Tournament Director contact information is available in the "Members Only" Section of the MIAA website.</p> <p>Electronic Entries are automatically forwarded to your Sectional Tournament Director.</p> <p>Sectional Tournament Directors:                      C/N/W.....Ron Spakauskas                      South.....Andy Ingham</p>
Team Entry Due Individual Entry Due	May 19, 2017 via MIAA members only May 19, 2017 via survey monkey	
Cut-Off Date	May 25, 2017	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Individual &amp; Team Sectional Tournaments</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Pairings will be posted on the MIAA website</i></p>	<p><b>Central/North/West (C/N/W)</b>                      Tuesday, May 30, 2017  <a href="#">Gardner Municipal Golf Course</a>                      152 Eaton St. , Gardner, MA                      9:30 AM Shotgun start  <b>Practice rounds available @ \$10 per person during the week for qualifiers.</b></p> <p><b>South</b>                      Tuesday, May 30, 2017  <a href="#">Ridder Farm Golf Course</a>                      390 Oak St., East Bridgewater, MA                      9:00 Shotgun Start  <b>Practice rounds available at a rate of \$19.00 weekdays only.</b> Please call club to schedule a tee time.  <b>(Play from the white Tee Markers on the front nine and the red Tee Markers on the back nine to get familiar with the overall yardage for the event.)</b></p>	

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>State Individual &amp; Team Tournament</b></p>	<p><del>Monday, June 5, 2017</del>  <b>Wednesday, June 14, 2017 (NEW Date!)</b></p> <p><a href="#">Heritage Country Club</a>                      Sampson Rd, Charlton, MA 01507</p> <p><i>Pairings will be posted on the MIAA website after the Sectional Tournaments have been held.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tournament Director 2017</b></p> <p>State.....Mary O'Brien</p> <p><b>STATE TOURNAMENT LINKS:</b></p> <p><a href="#">Click here for Pace of Play Policy</a></p>
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***The Uniform Rule will be strictly enforced. - See Rule #H - Page 4***

	Deadline
Season Schedule & Commitment	April 15, 2017
Individual Entry (only if <b>NO</b> Team Entry)	May 19, 2017
Team Entry / Team Roster	May 19, 2017
Team Sportsmanship Nomination	May 19, 2017

**ROTATION FOR STATE FINALS:**

Spring 2017	Spring 2018	Spring 2019	Spring 2020
N/C/W	South	N/C/W	South

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## 2017 MIAA GIRLS' SPRING GOLF SECTIONAL TOURNAMENTS

A. **ENTRANTS IN THE TEAM TOURNAMENT** must meet tournament qualifications as set forth in this MIAA Girl's Spring Golf Format.

1. All teams winning 50% of their matches against any and all MIAA member schools and out of state schools in good standing of their own state high school association. Please note that in golf you must accumulate 50% of the total number of points possible, two points for a win, 1 point for a tie, and 0 points for a loss.
2. All league champions and co-champions regardless of winning percentage.
3. Runners-up or multi runners-up in leagues of 5 or more teams provided that the league has a single champion. In cases of multi-champions, no runner-up will automatically qualify.
4. Qualifying teams must complete a Team Entry by **May 19, 2017** if their golf team may qualify for the tournament.
5. There will be two sectionals for team play. Teams that qualify for the Team Tournament will have six players who will be competing for the Individual Championship as well as the Team Championship. The top 3 Teams in each Sectional qualify for State Championship.

B. **ENTRANTS IN THE INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT:**

1. Girls that participate in the Fall on a Boys Golf Team or any Girl that participates on a girls' team in the Spring, whose team DOES NOT qualify for the tournament, is eligible to enter as an Individual if she meets the criteria below:
  - Individual entrant must have played at least 10-eighteen hole rounds in the last 12 months with scores of 94 or less (scores on Par 3 Golf Courses do not count).
  - Only ONE Individual athlete per school is allowed.
  - **Entries are submitted through survey monkey (link emailed to AD)**
2. Girls who play on a coed team in the fall and are registering to play in a Sectional Qualifier should: Register for the Girls South Sectional Qualifier if their fall team would play in the Boys South Qualifier or register for the Girls N/W/C Sectional Qualifier if their fall team would play in the Boys North, Boys West or Boys Central Qualifier:

C. **IMPORTANT: ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE HIGH SCHOOL GOLF COACH. FAILURE TO OBSERVE THIS RULE WILL RESULT IN THE TEAM/ATHLETE BEING DEFAULTED.**

"In case of an emergency the principal may write and sign a letter written on school letterhead designating a member of the school staff (**not a parent**) as the official school designee. This letter must be presented by the designee to the Tournament Director upon arrival at the tournament site. The designee must remain at the tournament site throughout the entire round."

D. **SECTIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS** (Note: Reference - MIAA Spring Tournament Alignments 2013-14 through 2016-17 to make sure your school is going to the correct tournament location.):

A team will consist of 6 players. The medal play scores of the 4 lowest players will make up the team score. The score of the 5th lowest player will be used to break ties. If a tie still exists, the 6th players' score will be used to break the tie. If a tie still exists, co-champions will be declared.

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E. **QUALIFYING FOR STATE INDIVIDUAL**

At the Sectional Tournament the top 25% (and ties) of the players from each of the sections will qualify to play for the Individual Championship.

The top 25% (and ties) of the scores from each of the sections will qualify to play for the Individual Championship in each division. Any percentage points above a whole number will be rounded up to the next whole number (i.e.- if there are 41 players, then 25 percent would equal 10.25% which is rounded up to 11 players)

**EXAMPLE:**

	<b>71</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>74</b>	<b>8</b>	
	<b>72</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>74</b>	<b>9</b>	
	<b>72</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>75</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>72</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>75</b>	<b>11</b>	
	<b>73</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>75</b>	<b>12</b>	(Qualifies due to tie)
	<b>74</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>75</b>	<b>13</b>	(Qualifies due to tie)
	<b>74</b>	<b>7</b>				

In case of ties for the low gross score at each qualifying site the players will be declared co-medalists. There will not be any play-offs for individuals at the Sectional Tournaments.

F. Start times and pairings will be listed on the MIAA Tournament website.

G. **COACHES ASSIGNMENTS**

At all qualifying rounds and at the State Finals we will assign coaches, or official school designee present, to serve as monitors; i.e. whenever possible, a coach will go with each group, monitor play, observe behavior, etc. The players keep the official scores for each other. Coaches will not be monitoring their own players. Any coach or official school designee who refuses to complete his/her assigned duty will cause his/her players to be disqualified from the tournament.

H. **DRESS CODE**

All players and coaches must be properly dressed. No shorts, dungarees, tank tops, etc. Players and coaches are expected to wear collared team shirts and presentable slacks or **Bermuda/capri length shorts**. The uniform rule requires that each player must wear a golf shirt or jacket that clearly identifies the player with her high school. **Those in violation will not be allowed to compete.**

I. **ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

During the play of the MIAA Sectional and State Tournament, a player MAY obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. A player MAY NOT use any device to measure other conditions such as gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc. A player MAY NOT use a Cell Phone at any time for any purpose and cell phones are not allowed to be used as a measuring device. Any player found in breach of this rule will be immediately disqualified.

Spectators are not permitted to have cell phones in operation on the golf course. Coaches may carry a cell phone in a silent/vibrate mode. This is to allow coaches to contact help in an emergency situation.

J. Players are allowed the use of push/pull carts at all MIAA Tournaments.

K. **MIAA DRONE POLICY:** Prohibiting the Use of Drones (Unmanned Aircraft Systems or UAS's)

Unless granted special permission by the MIAA Executive Director, the use of drones (UAS), for any purpose, is not permitted at any MIAA tournament event. This prohibition applies to all fields of play, courts, arena, mats, gym floor or pool, and covers a ban on the entire facility being used as part of the MIAA event, including the spectator stands and parking areas.

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## **STATE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS:**

Each Sectional Tournament will qualify 3 teams for the Team Finals.

### **TIE BREAKERS:**

The same scoring format used for sectional play-offs will be used in the Team Finals to determine the Team Champion. However, if the 6<sup>th</sup> players' score fails to break the tie, all six team members, of each tied team, will enter into a sudden death hole playoff, at a hole to be determined. The four best scores from each team will be counted, if still tied, the fifth score will be counted, if still tied, the sixth score will be counted. If the tie still remains, the playoff will continue to a second playoff hole.

## **STATE INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS:**

If at the conclusion of play, two or more players are tied for the championship, the players who are tied will playoff using the hole rotation determined prior to the start of the round. If two or more players are still tied at the conclusion of the first playoff hole, those players will continue to a second playoff hole and play will continue in this manner until the tie is broken. There will not be a playoff or match of cards to break other tied scores.

**Responsibility of Participating Schools - All schools are responsible before, during and after a contest for the proper conduct of their coaches, athletes, students and spectators. When requested, a school must complete a report regarding a contest in which a problem occurred.**

## **INCLEMENT WEATHER RULE**

In case of inclement weather the following should be called in the order listed:

1. Sectional Tournament Director
2. Golf Course

The decision of the Tournament Director will be final (USGA rule). If such weather occurs when players are on the back nine, the Director will use 25% (and ties) of the scores from the first 9 holes played by each player.

## **TOURNAMENT MEDICAL COVERAGE**

It is the responsibility of each participating school to provide for the first aid/medical needs of their student athletes.



# Spring Golf

## Team Sportsmanship Award

The MIAA Tournament Management Committee has approved an Annual Sportsmanship Award to be presented to a school in every sport at the MIAA State Championship.

We would like to encourage you to nominate a golf team for consideration by the MIAA Golf Committee for recognition. Nominated teams do not have to be tournament teams but should exemplify the tenets of good sportsmanship to the highest degree. Self-nominations are acceptable.

**I would like to nominate the following team for consideration of the MIAA Golf Sportsmanship Award:**

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Division: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic Director: \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Captain(s) names: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Games Played \_\_\_\_\_ # of Exclusions \_\_\_\_\_

*Please provide a brief statement with regard to the reasons for this nomination below!*

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**Your Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position** \_\_\_\_\_ **School** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: MIAA, Attn: Golf Committee  
33 Forge Parkway  
Franklin, MA 02038

Fax: 508-541-9888

***APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY May 19, 2017***