



Mentor Golf

...a Five-star, On-course Player Development Program

Mentor Golf, a service of the Indian River Golf Foundation (IRGF), has been designed to provide up and coming golfers valued, on-course training. Developed to encourage high levels of Player Development, the year-round program offers students mentors who are experienced golf instructors with tournament experience.

Philosophy

Once participants learn golf's fundamentals, they will then focus on playing the game. Without question, the golf course is the best place to learn how to play and get better at the art of golf. With this in mind, Mentor Golf provides golfers an opportunity to participate in real golf situations, thereby ensuring they have the confidence they will need for the future.

By offering on-course training, IRGF will transform golfers into more complete players. After all, every great golfer knows how to manage their golf ball around a course and "get it done". Ultimately, IRGF participants will follow suit with their favorite golfers, as they learn golf course management skills, too.

To do so, mentors will implement a prescribed program, as junior golfers (three to four per group) will play six to nine holes of TEAM golf. Mentor will observe each individual and discuss key points throughout the round. Although one golfer may need more input than others students in a particular area at times, everyone will receive sound advice simultaneously. As a result, the program is generally completed within 2 hours (after personal warm-ups and wrap-ups have been completed).

Mentoring will be centered around five main themes:

Procedures and Golf Etiquette will be discussed, as outlined in the USGA Rules of Golf (online access is available, if necessary).

Golf Course Management skills will also be taught, so that golfers learn how to advance their golf ball around each golf course more effectively, eventually leading to lower scores. For further information, golfers may acquire an IRGF publication known as "Golf Course Management".

Swing Techniques will be examined as well, while utilizing a recently revised IRGF publication – "Great Experience of Golf". Updated by IRGF golf instructors, this publication features 50 color illustrations of two Tour/teaching professionals Sal Spallone and Jackie Stoelting.

Golf Rules – particularly Rules and Procedures that are commonly used during a typical round of golf will also be discussed. For more information, golfers can receive an IRGF publication known as "Golf Rules that Many Golfers Don't Fully Understand".

Maintaining Positive Attitudes; the importance of "keeping-it-together" mentally on the golf course (resulting in improved performance) can't be overlooked. Therefore, that will be a primary focus as well.

Each session will require two carts, one of which will be driven by a parent or an IRGF Player Cadet.

As each session concludes, golfers are encouraged to continuously improve their games
– between sessions.

To ensure golfers acquire the assistance they might need, they may schedule
as many Mentor Golf sessions as desired.

All sessions are by Appointment Only

Cost per session (which includes carts, course fees and range balls):
\$40 per person (Siblings – \$30) .

*Checks should be made payable to **IRGF**.*

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