



Indian River Golf Foundation Player's Club
Treasure Coast Junior Golf Tour/ Atlantic Junior Golf Tour
.....transitioning students to players and players to golf leaders.

Behavioral Traits Parents Should Practice

Stay Involved in a Positive Way

Players Score/Attest - Not Parents/Spectators
.....it is a learning experience

Emphasize Enjoying the Opportunity to Play and Compete
.....Not Winning

Be Extremely Supportive, Interested and Encouraging

Be Sympathetic....Not Critical....When Things Don't Go Well

Try to Remain Focused on Emotional Development

Forbid Cheating and Lack of Sportsmanship

Discourage Hot Tempers, Angry Mental Behavior and Vulgarity
If it Happens, Discipline Accordingly

Stress that Golf is a Lifetime Sport and to have FUN!

Look Relaxed and Comfortable on the Course....Never Showing
Expressions of Disappointment or Get Upset

Unless you are the Coach, Rarely Attend Instruction Sessions
with your Child

Support and Demonstrate Valuable Life Skills and Good Citizenship
COURTESY RESPECT HONESTY LEADERSHIP THANKFULNESS

If you practice these simple rules of life, you will be more of a
success as a supportive parent.

Thanks to Bob Komarinetz, former Director of Golf at Sandridge Golf Club in Vero Beach for his contributions to this presentation. During his many years as a professional and coach, he has seen many promising youth players either succeed or fail because of the parents. Parent involvement is critical to the success of their child if handled in a POSITIVE way. While many parents are not properly engaged.....there remain too many cases where parents push their child to practice and compete rather than allowing them to enjoy the game. Bob states... "This may be the best information you could ever receive and place into action."