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<b>Player Eligibility</b>	
<b>13 &amp; Under</b>	PGA Junior League Golf is open to any child 13 & under. The recommended minimum age is 9, however many Captains permit younger players to participate. A player cannot be 14 years of age prior to August 1st (which coincides with the end of the regular season) of the year in which he participates. For example, for the 2017 season no participant who turns 14 before August 1st, 2017 will be eligible to participate.
<b>Boys &amp; Girls</b>	PGA Junior League Golf is open to both boys and girls.
<b>All Abilities Welcome</b>	Due to the program's nurturing scramble format, all teammates can work together and contribute to winning their game, regardless of gender. Boys and girls of similar ability play and compete together in any match pairing (boy-and-girl, girl-and-girl, boy-and-boy). There are no separate divisions or tee boxes and yardages to play from. The PGA of America and PGA Golf Professionals are committed to providing an inclusive environment for all individuals who are interested in playing the game of golf. Players of all abilities are welcome, as well as youth with disabilities. We do ask that players coming into the league recognize that this is a competitive league and thus a certain set of skill sets and golf knowledge will be necessary in order for the junior not to get frustrated or discouraged. The league is not designed to teach golf but offer an outlet of fun and enjoyment; therefore, it behooves the junior to obtain instruction outside the league and to practice routinely.
<b>The Basics</b>	At its core, PGA Junior League Golf is a group of local golf teams who play a series of games against each other, keeping to a friendly environment and encouraging social style format. The program is available to boys and girls, 13 and under, of all background. PGA and LPGA Professionals exclusively serve as Captains and are responsible for creating a welcoming environment for all that encourages skill and character development.
<b>Schedule (See dates below)</b>	Registration for your local team or league typically takes place between February through April. The regular season of PGA Junior League Golf occurs between April 1 and July 31st. For those players that advance to the Post-Season of PGA Junior League Golf, those games begin in August.

<b>League</b>	A league is made up of local teams within the Baton Rouge area, minimizing the distance and amount of time spent commuting between games. A league will have between four to seven teams based on the number of juniors committed. During the course of the regular season, your team will play a game against each team in your league.
<b>Game</b>	A game is played between two teams. During the course of a game, four matches are played by at least two players from each team against each other. The winner of the game is determined by the total number of flag points won within all matches. Friends, family and spectators are encouraged to attend and watch - but not participate or unduly aid - each game!
<b>Format: Scramble</b>	A scramble is a popular format that encourages teamwork and problem solving. Its nurturing nature creates a fun environment where the negative effect of performance errors is minimized. Each player will tee off at the beginning of each hole. The team then selects their best shot of the two and then each player plays again from the spot of the selected shot. Repeat this process until the ball is in the hole. The team with the lowest score wins the hole. Two players play a scramble, while the opposing team waits.
<b>Flags</b>	Flags are 3-hole segments of each match. Since each match is played over the course of 9 holes, there are three flags per match. Whichever team wins the most holes within each flag (i.e. 3 holes-to-0 or 2 holes-to-1 hole), wins the corresponding flag.
<b>Points</b>	Each flag won by the team is worth one point. Each tied flag won by the team is worth a half point. The team with the most points at the end of the game wins. Since there are four matches in each game, and each match is played for a maximum of three points, there are a maximum of 12 points total in each game.
<b>Captains</b>	Each PGA Junior League Golf team or league is Captained by a PGA or LPGA Professional! These golf professionals are uniquely positioned to create an inviting and welcoming environment for all to enjoy the game of golf. They also provide critical instruction to help young participants advance both their golf skill and character development - on and off course.
<b>Team</b>	A team is a collection of six to eight players, boys and girls of any ability, who work together during the course of a game against another team. Each team is Captained and instructed by a PGA or LPGA Professional and may have the administrative assistance of a parent volunteer/coach to assist in the administration of team business.
<b>Match</b>	A match consists of two teammates (or three, with a substitute) competing against a similar grouping from the opposing team in a fun, nurturing scramble format. The match lasts for nine holes and is broken up into three 3-hole segments called "flags".



### Rules of Play

While the information above should provide you with a basic understanding of PGA Junior League Golf, it's important to highlight a few of the more detailed rules that make PGA Junior League Golf a welcoming - but fair - competition. Don't worry if these rules appear too complicated or challenging to understand, your team's PGA or LPGA Professional Captain will walk both players and parents through them as necessary. (See Orientation in schedule)

**Only players may call rules infractions.** All rules infractions must be made/declared on the course and ruled upon prior to the start of the next hole.

Shot Progression: both players on each team will tee off on every hole, with the best shot selected and played. Continue this progression until the ball is holed and the hole completed.

Upon reaching the green, the ball selected for play shall always be lifted and placed at the selected ball's mark. No player shall roll or putt his/her ball to the marked location. During the regular season, a player will be warned for improper movement of a ball on the green. Subsequent violates by the team in that match will result in a 1-stroke penalty. Any intentional improper movement of a ball on the green to gain advantage will result in a 1-stroke penalty.

Preferred Lies: players shall have the right to lift, clean and place their ball before each shot. There is never a penalty for inadvertently moving a ball in PGA Junior League Golf, with the exception of rule 1a. Upon selecting the shot to be played, players shall mark the ball and then place the ball within one club-length of the mark, no closer to the hole, to play their next shots. A ball may be moved from the rough to the fairway, however, a ball may never be moved out of a sand bunker or on to the green.

No ball within a **marked** hazard can be played from within the hazard. Relief must be taken, with a 1-stroke penalty, if that ball is chosen to be played. Sand bunkers are not marked hazards. Out of bounds is played as a lateral hazard during PGA Junior League Golf regular season games.

Stroke Maximum: Triple Bogey is the stroke maximum on a hole. No hole in PGA Junior League Golf can be won with a triple bogey. Any team failing to finish the hole after reaching 2-strokes over par should pick-up. If both teams are forced to pick-up, then the hole is halved.

Coaches may only help players with match strategy after a hole is completed and before the tee shots on the following hole. No technical advice may be given to players at any time during play. Spectators or Coaches can assist in finding balls and helping with pace of play.

Players shall walk during their matches and may either carry their bags or use pull-carts where allowed. In cases of long distances between greens and tees, it is permissible for Coaches and/or scorekeepers to shuttle players to the next tee. All this is cleared by the Captain prior to the match

The maximum penalty for any rules infraction in PGA Junior League Golf is one stroke.

Schedule	
June 15 <sup>th</sup> : 4:30 – 7:30pm	@ Santa Maria. Orientation ; Skills Evaluation – Practice for Drive, Chip, and Putt
June 16 <sup>th</sup> : 4:30 – 7:30pm	@ City Park. Orientation & Practice rounds
June 19 <sup>th</sup> : TT Start at 5pm	@ City Park. Match 1
June 20 <sup>th</sup> : TT Start at 5pm	@ Dumas. Match 2
June 21 <sup>st</sup> : TT Start at 5pm	@ Webb. Match 3
June 23 <sup>rd</sup> : TT Start at 5pm	@ City Park. Match 4
June 25 <sup>th</sup> : TT start at 4pm	@ Beaver Creek. Championship



<b>Playoffs</b>	All-Star Team selected; Practice match July 10 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> ; Matches in August
<b>How teams are decided</b>	The All Star Team is the League's representative in the post season Play offs. Teams are usually selected based on where they finished in the season and points assigned from each match. 10 players are selected.
<b>Substitutes</b>	Due to PGA Junior League Golf's recreational nature, every player on the team is encouraged to participate. While each match is only actively played by two players from each team at any given time, the team Captain may substitute a player into the match at the start of any flag. When the player is not one of the two active players in his or her team's match, they can still play an integral role in the success of their team by reading putts, discussing strategy, tending the flag stick and aiding pace-of-play. At no time should a substitute ever feel left out of the team's efforts!

#### Registration Information

1. Must go to <http://www.pgajlg.com/> and join BREC Golf League and pay \$75 fee to the PGA Jr League.
2. Once this is completed, an email will be sent to BREC informing us that a junior has joined our league; we will contact you to confirm.
3. Then must fill out application and pay \$65 fee to BREC to cover league fees; pay at any BREC Golf Pro Shop.