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High School Golf in Full-Swing

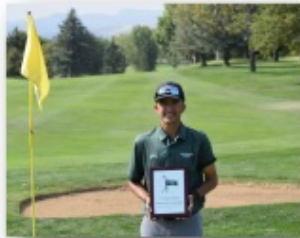
It has meant so much to High School athletes to be able to compete and play golf this fall and we wanted to recognize them on their outstanding achievements! A huge round of applause to three outstanding Eagle Level participants who qualified for the state golf tournament. Northfield Nighthawk Hunter Swanson (left) fired a 5-under-par 67 to win the individual 4A Regional at Green Valley Ranch GC punching his ticket to the 4A state tournament at Country Club of Colorado. Brighton Bulldog Kyle Leydon (right) shot a 79 during the 5A Northern Regional at Hyland Hills securing his spot to compete in the 5A state tournament at The Club at Rolling Hills. Vista PEAK Bison Dawson Thulin (below) shot a 77 finishing in the Top-10 to qualify from the Class 4A Regional at Quail Dunes GC earning his way into the 4A state tournament at Country Club of Colorado. Congratulations to Freshman Joaquin Rodriguez on making Varsity at Riverdale High School and Freshman Keagan Bond for making Varsity at Prairie View High School. Joaquin and his team placed 2nd overall at the Class 4A Regional at Quail Dunes GC. Keagan shot 80 at the Class 5A Regional which put him into a five-way playoff for one spot to state. Despite not qualifying for state, he did earn 2nd Team All Conference in 5A EMAC. We would also like to give a shout out and congratulations to Noah Vierya, Troy Freeman and Colin Rowley, birdie level participants, who all played this fall on the Eaglecrest High School Varsity & JV golf teams. A big round of applause to all of these athletes and we wish you three gentlemen the best of luck at State!



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First Tee GVR Alum Victorious

Bravo to First Tee GVR Alumni and current CSU collegiate golfer Davis Bryant for winning the Fort Collins GCAA Amateur at Fort Collins CC! In a sudden death playoff, Davis birdied the second hole beating out DU golfer Jackson Solem to hoist the trophy!



Davis shot an impressive 69-69-68--209 for the tournament. Hats off to Davis for his fantastic play, keep up the great work the rest of the season!

A Successful Season

- Crowned the new 2020 CoBank CO Open's Champions—Jennifer Kupcho, Mark Anguiano, and Harry Rudolph.
- First Tee GVR mentor Charlotte Hillary raised over \$20,000 for First Tee GVR.
- Enrolled more than 300+ students to First Tee GVR this season despite the uncertainty surrounding COVID-19.
- First Tee GVR Alumni Davis Bryant played in the 2020 U.S. Amateur at Bandon Dunes.
- Emma Bryant & Hunter Swanson both earned AJGA exemption status.
- Kyle Leydon placed T-6 at an AJGA Preview event.
- Participants from our program went to the Food Bank of the Rockies to help sort food to help give back to the community!

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End of Year BBQ Bash!

Can you believe it! The season has flown by, the leaves are changing and the fall weather is already here. Come out and join us as we celebrate the 2020 programming season on Saturday October 10th from Noon – 2:00 PM. All of our participants have been working hard this spring and summer practicing their golf and life skills, so let's have one last time celebrating together with good food, friends and family! Please wear a mask or face cover at all times. We will have tables set up on the grass of our range area so families will have plenty of space to properly distance themselves.

- ➔ **Who:** Bring the whole family, everyone is invited! (175 capacity)
- ➔ **What:** Food & drinks are provided, bring a side or dessert if you'd like
- ➔ **Where:** First Tee Green Valley Ranch: 20309 E. 48th Pl. Denver, CO 80249.
- ➔ **When:** BBQ Bash Saturday October 10th 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM.
- ➔ **How:** Register on our website [here](#).



Programming Schedule Under Construction



As we begin construction of our Programming schedule for the 2021 season, we're announcing release of our schedule later February 2021 and registration opens March 1st, 2021. We look forward to seeing everyone back here next year!

Stay in Golf shape this off-season

Winter is coming! But that doesn't mean you can't keep your golf skills sharp. Here are some tips that will keep your game in shape.

- **Work on your Flexibility:** Start a routine to stretch ten minutes a day and build up from there.
- **Practice indoors:** Try to putt on a hard compact carpet towards a target, focus on your timing and rhythm. Set a goal to putt 15 minutes every other day during the winter. You will certainly notice the difference next spring! PGA Tour Superstore has an excellent indoor player facility.
- **Go PLAY:** Many courses and range facilities stay open during the winter just call ahead! Come out and play whenever possible we'd love to see you at Green Valley Ranch GC.

Golf-in-Schools... with a Twist!

The Golf-in-Schools programs are back but with a twist. On Wednesday afternoons throughout October approximately 20 students from MLK High School will be participating in an after-school program! When school lets out the students will head to the First Tee for an hour of golf and life instruction. Due to new district



guidelines limiting access to the schools, we are exploring alternatives so we can still have a positive impact and expose the youth in our community to the First Tee. We are excited and looking

forward to welcoming and teaching students this fall!

