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Register for the End Of Year BBQ!

Join us for our End of Year BBQ on Saturday, October 18 at the First Tee Learning Center from 12:30-2:00 p.m. We'll have the driving range set up with games and activities, plus clubs, clothing, and golf balls to give away. Hot dogs and burgers will be served. All First Tee participants and their families are welcome. Please email apinkerton@coloradoopen.com to RSVP with the number of attendees for the BBQ.



Topgolf Day

Join us for 2 hours of golf and food at Topgolf Centennial on Sunday, November 9th from 12 – 2 PM

Registration is open now, and spots are limited. Cost is \$20 per person, open to ages 7 and up

Don't miss out on a fun afternoon with First Tee – GVR!

Sign up by clicking the button below



[Register Here!](#)

Sign up for Winter Programming!

Winter programming is back at the PGA TOUR Superstore in Westminster (5650 W 88th Ave, Westminster, CO) starting Tuesday, November 11.

Sessions will be held on November 11, November 18, December 2, and December 9 from 5:30 – 6:30 PM.

Open to ages 7 and up

Register your child today by clicking the button below!



[Register Here!](#)

Be Part of the Honor Wall



The Honor Wall at the Patrick H. Hamill Learning Center is officially complete—and it looks amazing. We're proud to share a photo of the original vision alongside the finished product.

There's still time to be part of it.

With a \$250 donation, your family's name can be engraved on a paver brick placed in the center of the walkway—right at the heart of this special space. It's a lasting tribute that every First Tee participant and visitor will see for years to come.

The gift can be spread over three years, and it qualifies for the Colorado Child Care Tax Credit, saving you up to 35%.

To reserve your family's brick, contact Program Coordinator Charlie Hall at CHall@ColoradoOpen.com.

Participant Corner

Kemal Guder has been a participant at First Tee – GVR since he was 10 years old. Through his time in the program, he has not only strengthened his golf skills but also developed confidence and character that carry beyond the course. This month, Kemal shares his First Tee experience in his own words.

“I started with the First Tee program in the summer of 2021, and from that moment on I was hooked on golf. What began as curiosity grew into passion, and I wanted to keep learning and playing as much as I could. Since then, I have not only continued with First Tee but also joined the PGA Jr. League, which gave me the opportunity to compete, be part of a team, and challenge myself in new ways. The program also opened the door for me to become a caddie, which has allowed me to see the game from a different perspective and build strong connections with golfers.

First Tee has given me much more than just golf skills—it has helped me gain confidence, develop discipline, and understand the importance of etiquette and respect. I am now a member of the Northfield High School golf team and also participate in weekly U.S. Kids Golf tournaments. I am excited to see what the future holds for me in golf and grateful for the opportunities that First Tee first introduced me to.”



Donor Spotlight



Chuck McDaniel

Chuck McDaniel has been a dedicated supporter of the Colorado Open Golf Foundation since its inception in 2004. In that time, he has contributed more than \$200,000 in multiple capacities to our mission and remained an advocate for the Colorado Open Championships. His generosity and commitment have helped strengthen both our foundation and the Colorado golf community.

Professionally, Chuck spent 23 years as a partner with Lockton Companies before serving as Senior Managing Director at Alliant Insurance Services. Both Lockton and Alliant have proudly sponsored the Colorado Open Championships during his tenure, a reflection of his belief in giving back to the game.

For more than two decades, Chuck has been part of the Colorado golf community, supporting the Opens and helping ensure the continued growth of the game and opportunities for young players through First Tee and youth caddie programs. We are deeply grateful for his longstanding support and the difference he has made.

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