

TEST SUBURBAN CONFERENCE: Boys' Golf: Sport Guidelines

Revised: 8/21/2009

I. Season Limitations

- A. Practice may begin on Wednesday, August 12, 2009.
- B. First contest may be held on Monday, August 17, 2009.
- C. Season ends on Saturday, October 17, 2009.

II. Contest Limitations (Exclusive of the IHSA State Series)

- A. Varsity and Sophomore - eighteen (18) dates

III. Levels of Competition

- A. Varsity and Sophomore

IV. Coaches Meeting

- A. Pre-season meeting will be held on Thursday, August 6, 2009, at Medinah Country Club Golf course, Medinah, Illinois, 9:00 a.m.
- B. Post season meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21, 2009, at Morton West., 4:30 p.m., Room G103.
- C. Coaches are to fax to Morton East Athletic Dept. (708-222-5832) the following information by September 23, 2009.
 - 1. Line-ups for the Division golf meet.
 - 2. Division results.
 - 3. Names and GPA of all seniors eligible for the WSC All-Academic Team.

V. Championships and Awards

- A. Division Standings
 - 1. A championship plaque shall be awarded to the winner at the Varsity level only of each Division.
 - 2. The Division Champion will be determined by points awarded during the dual meet season and the Divisional Championship Meet. Each portion will count equally toward the total possible points to be earned. One (1) point will be awarded for each dual meet win during the regular season. In case of a tie at a dual meet, a 1/2 point will be awarded to each team. Divisional Championship Meet points will be awarded according to the team's place in that meet. Points for each place will be determined by the following formula:
 - 1st place points - Total teams competing in this sport minus one.
 - 2nd place points - Total teams competing in this sport minus two.
 - 3rd place points - Total teams competing in this sport minus three.
 - 4th place points - Total teams competing in this sport minus four.
 - Etc.
 - Example: 7 team division; dual meet record 5-1 and 1st place finish in Championship Meet would equal 5 points for dual meet wins and 6 points for finishing first (7 teams minus 1 = 6 points), total points would be 11; a team with a 6-0 record and a 2nd place finish would have 6

points for the dual meets and 5 points for 2nd place, total points would also be 11.

3. If two (2) or more teams are tied for a place in the Divisional Championship Meet, the points awarded to each team will be determined by adding the points for the places tied and dividing that value by the number of teams tied. For Example, if three (3) teams were tied for 2nd place, add the 2nd place points (5 points), plus 3rd place points (4 points), plus 4th place points (3 points). Divide that total (12 points) by three (3 teams) equals four (4 points) awarded to each team.
4. In case of a tie for first place, there will be co-champion.

B. Individual Awards

1. Individual medals are awarded at the varsity level as follows:
 - 1st place - Gold
 - 2nd place - Silver
 - 3rd place - Silver/Gold
 - 4th place - Gold/Bronze
 - 5th place - Rose/Bronze
 - 6th-14th place - Bronze
2. Place winners will be declared "medalists" for all the division teams.
3. Individual ribbons will be awarded at the lower level, 1st through 14th place.
4. The West Suburban Conference when breaking ties for places 2nd thru 14th, will use a scorecard system. To break ties among individuals who have tied, the Resource AD will go back through the tied players scorecard' s starting with the number 1 handicap hole and compare scores (low score will receive the actual medal, the higher score will receive the next medal in order), until the tie has been broken. No duplicate medals or ribbons will be presented.
5. The WSC All-Academic Team shall be recognized composed of senior award winners from each Conference school who have received a Grade Point Average of "B" or above in grades accumulated at the conclusion of the sixth (6th) semester.

VI. Conduct of Contests

A. Host School Responsibilities

1. Send a map of your home course location to each competitor.
2. Advise the visiting team of all course rules.

B. Dual Meets

1. Scoring
 - a. A match shall consist of nine (9) holes.
 - b. The meet shall be decided by total team medal score.
 - c. Varsity dual meets will be up to eight (8) entries.
 - d. The best four (4) scores of each team shall count.
 - e. In case of a tie, the fifth player's score will be counted to break the tie. If still tied, the sixth player's score will be used, if still tied, the seventh, then eighth.
 - f. Each player shall have a score card with his name and the opponent's name on it. The score shall be kept on this card.
2. Forfeits, Cancellation and Delays -- matches cancelled due to weather or darkness shall:
 - a. If re-scheduled for another date, be replayed in its entirety.
 - b. If delayed and continued on the same day, resume play from the point of interruption with all previous scores standing.
 - c. Forfeits shall not be replayed.

- d. Any match that cannot be made up prior to the Division Meet will be made up by matching scorecards of the two (2) teams involved on the front nine (9) of the tournament. The winner of the dual meet will be determined in this manner.

3. Special Rules

- a. Summer rules shall be in effect unless unusual course conditions exist and coaches mutually consent to play winter rules.
- b. The use of tobacco by a participant shall automatically disqualify him from a contest.
- c. Players on the same team in the same group may assist and give advice to their teammates.
- d. After finishing his match, a player must remain in the clubhouse or 18th green area and may not go out onto the course to assist or advise teammates. A player who after turning in his scorecard goes back onto the course to assist or advise teammates will be disqualified.
- e. No caddies are permitted.
- f. School issued uniforms are required for all matches.
- g. Athletes must observe the WSC "Hat Rule".

C. Tournament

- 1. Entries - each team shall consist of six (6) players.
- 2. Scoring:
 - a. Tournament play shall be 18 holes. A shotgun start will be used if allowed by the golf course.
 - b. The four (4) low scores for each team will make up the team's score. In case of ties, the 5th player's score will be used to break the tie. If a tie still exists, the 6th player's score will be used to break the tie.
- 3. Each school shall provide two (2) observers.
- 4. A rules committee will consist of three coaches from each division and they will make rulings for the opposite division.
- 5. The Varsity Boys and Sophomore Boys Tournaments will be held on the same day at the same site preferably using a modified shot gun format (if available and schedule permits).
- 6. The Sophomore coaches will run the tournament with the assistance of a minimum of one (1) WSC Athletic Director.

VII. Officials

- A. No officials are authorized for West Suburban Conference contests. However, questions of procedures or inquiry are legitimate reasons for mutual direction by coaches.

VIII. Reporting Results

- A. Each school will be responsible for recording their own wins and losses. Before the Division meet each school will send to the resource Athletic Director their varsity and sophomore results in order to record the final season standings. The resource Athletic Director will use this information to complete the final conference standings so that all teams are aware of their point status prior to the conference tournament. Upon completion of the Division Tournaments, the resource Athletic Director will tabulate the results of the tournament and will award the conference championship to the division point leader as determined by the points earned in both the dual meet season and the division tournament.

IX. Miscellaneous Information

A. Playing Sites

1. Gold

- Addison Trail - Maple Meadows
- Downers Grove South - Village Greens
- Hinsdale South - Village Greens
- Leyden - White Pines
- Morton – Fresh Meadows
- Proviso East - Meadowlark
- Willowbrook - Sugar Creek

2. Silver Division

- Downers Grove North - Downers Grove Park District
- Glenbard West - Village Links
- Hinsdale Central - Hinsdale Country Club
- Lyons Twp. - LaGrange Country Club Flagg Creek
- Oak Park - Oak Park Country Club
- Proviso West - Fresh Meadows
- York - Maple Meadows