

DIVISION III BOYS SECTIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
VALLEY VIEW GOLF COURSE

Thursday, October 1st, 2015

Participating Schools: Ashland Crestview (AC), Buckeye Central (BC), Bucyrus (B), Calvert (C)
Hopewell Loudon (HL), Mansfield Christian (MC), Mohawk (M), New London (NL), Old Fort (OF)
Plymouth (P), Riverdale (R), Seneca East (SE), St. Paul's (Pa), St. Peters, Wynford (W)

This year the Ohio High School Athletic Association is asking all sectional tournaments to convert to an online entry method. Therefore paper entries will no longer be sent, although lineups do not have to be officially set until the day of the tournament.

You will need to access Baumspage Golf to send in your entries at www.baumspage.com/golf. You can email Mr. Baumgartner at gb@baumspage.com or call him at 513-594-6154 with questions. Please send your entry as soon as possible.

Players must tee off at his assigned tee time. The method of grouping teams is required by the Northwest District of the OHSAA so that coaches will have easier access to their players. Because some teams have less than 5 players the tee times cannot be done until a few days before the tournament. Call Valley View for tee times at 419 468-1226. Changes in teams participating will be on the Northwest District Tournament website.

The three low teams and the three low individuals not on those teams will advance to the District Tournament at Stone Ridge Golf Club in Bowling Green on Thursday October 8th.

Specific Rules for this tournament include:

- Players may improve their lie in their own fairway only. Free drops are required from other greens and from flower beds but not from tees. Remind your players that free drops are allowed but not required from cart paths and that players may drop within one club length from the point of nearest relief from the path. This is the rules question that comes up most often. Damage done to the course by burrowing animals will be treated as ground under repair. U.S.G.A. Stroke Play rules are in effect. Eighteen Holes will be played with scores being posted after nine holes.
- If play is interrupted (with play being resumed the same day) ball location shall be marked and then resumed from the point of interruption. When play is suspended (play is resumed on a different day) the golfer shall resume play at the tee of the first non completed hole (only those who have not completed the hole replay it).
- Ties in team scoring for a qualifying position shall be resolved by comparing scores of the fifth team members. If team remained tied after doing this then a playoff involving the four players from each team whose scores resulted in the tie will be used to determine the position of finish.
- Individual ties for qualifying positions shall be resolved by playing an additional hole or holes until the tie is broken.
- Please note the rule which prohibits the use of cell phones on the course during the competition. However, range finders that are not part of a communication device are permitted. Spectators may carry rain suits, umbrellas, etc. for players, but MUST NOT converse with players. Spectators are to stay in the rough or on the cart paths and are to remain 50 to 100 yards from all players.
- Upon recommendation by the Northwest District, except out of necessity by the tournament committee, golf carts are not to be used by spectators or other non participants. The OHSAA this year has made a change to ALLOW each school access to one golf cart to be used only by the head coach. By rule a coach may speak to players during play except when players are putting on

the green or sand traps. By grouping teams together in the tee times, coaches should be able to communicate with players. Keep in mind each team can have only ONE coach who is permitted to speak with the golfers during play.

- Competitors will keep score for each other. Each player will keep the official score for one other player in his group. If there is a discrepancy between the score marked and the score that a player announces the scorer shall ask the player to review his score in the presence of the other players in the group. Settle all questions on number of strokes taken before starting play on the next hole. Score cards must be signed by the scorer and attested to by the player. Players should report to the scorer's table without delay but coaches are permitted to review scorecards before they are turned in. Once a scorecard is turned in it may not be altered.

In case of lightning, OHSAA rules require a suspension of play until 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder is heard. Play is to resume at the point of interruption.

Upon Northwest District recommendation, the charge for each player on tournament day will be \$22. This \$22 FEE INCLUDES GREENS FEES, RANGE BALLS, AND A SANDWICH, CHIPS AND A DRINK. Charge for a practice round will be \$13. Use of the golf cart is also included. Checks should be made payable to Valley View Golf Course. Please call 419-468-1226 to reserve tee times for a practice round.

There will be a coaches meeting at 8:30 A.M. on the morning of the tournament. All coaches and competitors must be checked in by that time. You will receive final instructions and course rules at this meeting. Please submit your official line up when you check in, or before the tournament date if possible.

Valley View is a mature course with tree lined fairways that requires accurate tee shots. It is located on St. Rt. 598 5 miles north of Galion and is located just one mile north of the 598 exit off of the new U.S. Route 30.

If you have any questions in advance of the tournament please call Michael Stuckman at Valley View Golf Course, 419-468-1226. We look forward to being your host!