



## 2014 KPGA JUNIOR GOLF LEADER AWARD NOMINATION

**Name of Nominee:** Larry Ward  
**Facility Name:** High Performance Golf Academy  
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1. Please briefly describe the nominee's contributions to junior golf programs in the Section and on a National level including service as a chairperson or a member of the Junior Golf Committee.

Larry currently serves on the Kentucky Section Board of Directions. He also has served on the Kentucky Junior Golf Task Force.

2. Please briefly describe the nominee's involvement in the promotion and development of junior golf at the club level and within the community.

Larry has been teaching, coaching and mentoring junior golfers for over 15 years. He currently owns an instruction academy that teaches in excess of 2000 junior golf lessons a year. The academy is located at a private club, but open to the public. He has taught over 1,200 junior golf lessons through the first 11 months of 2013. In the last 18 months, Larry taught 13 students that received grant in aid to play college golf. His students won local, regional and state tournaments, including two students that were ranked in the top 100 golfers in NCAA golf in 2013.

Larry gave free golf lessons to all juniors from 2001 - 2007 while being a head golf professional in eastern Kentucky. During that time, he gave lessons to over 150 junior golfers and eight eastern Kentucky kids received golf scholarships.

3. Please briefly describe the nominee's image and leadership in the area of junior golf and the nominee's overall integrity.

Larry works hard not only to improve the skills of his students, but also to improve each and every student's appreciation of the game and life lessons it provides. He stays in contact with every student and constantly reinforces following a plan to achieve their goals. He and business partner, PGA Professional Tyrus York, own an academy that offers: TPI strength coaching, an injury prevention and treatment specialist, mental coaching, on-course instruction and coaching, a 3-D motion specialist, club fitting and repair and a college recruiting specialist.

Larry believes talent isn't something you are born with but something that is found through proper practice and coaching.

4. Please briefly describe how the nominee inspires fellow PGA Professionals and promotes the game of golf.

Larry has an open door policy for every PGA professional and apprentice. He shares all lessons learned and is always willing to help. He is constantly selling junior golf with a fire and passion that is always present in most every discussion about growing the game.

5. Please list any Section or National awards the nominee has received

Award	Year Received	Section
KPGA Teacher of the Year	2010, 2011	Kentucky