

2017 KPGA

Player Development Grant Application

Each year funds are granted to deserving programs across the state of Kentucky. These programs can offer scholarships, provide clubs for kids, educate individuals about the game of golf, promote the development of golf for seniors, juniors and women and provide opportunities for golf instruction.

The Player Development Grant Application deadline is January 31, 2017. Each program granted funds is required to complete a Grant Report Form and return it along with any supporting materials (i.e. curriculum, applications, media coverage, photos, etc.). Failure to return a completed Grant Report Form by November 1, 2016 may result in the denial of all future requests for assistance, as well as, reporting the failure to the KPGA Membership.

Program Name: [The First Tee of Pine Mountain](#)

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Request Amount: [\\$5000](#) **Fund Request Date:** [March 1, 2017](#)

1) Please describe the nature and mission of the program.

[The First Tee of Pine Mountain plans to expand our impact in the National School Program. We will facilitate and present golf in schools reaching all levels of play. We will provide clubs to beginning and prepare experienced players to enter competition locally and in the Kentucky PGA Junior Series. Our chapter will provide a parent orientation, participant lessons, group competitions, and goal-setting classes. We will provide rules clinics and training sessions. Alumni participants will have the opportunity to share their experiences and Coaches will help in mental preparation and behavior mentoring. The reason we are asking for more this season is that we have lost 90 % of our fundraising budget and are struggling to sustain. We are seeking 12 sponsors at \\$5000 to maintain our yearly impact. Kentucky Golf Foundation will be sponsoring the NSP portion of outreach.](#)

2) How is the program structured (i.e. classes, clinics, tournaments); what is the length of the program?

We will offer classes two days a week on Mondays and Tuesdays starting in March. We will also provide parent orientation, and competitions with rewards. We will run the NSP portion in the 20 areas schools throughout the year.

3) Where is the program held?

The First Tee of Pine Mountain at Wasioto Winds Golf Course and special training may be offered at Union College and at Lincoln Memorial University. 20 area schools in 7 surrounding counties and 2 Drive locations after school.

4) How many participants does the program have or how many do you anticipate?

The First Tee of Pine Mountain will have 275 participants in our summer program, but estimate between 35-60 participants for the Competitive Edge based upon the recent year's participation and the competition of other sports. Our NSP is offered in 20 schools with K-6 in most and K-8th in others. The ACA Academy will have approximately 100 more.

5) Describe the composition and background of participants (age, socio-economic background, gender, golf skill).

The First Tee of Pine Mountain will invite all participants ages 12-15 for this camp but will accommodate junior golfers from 16-18 simultaneously for college prep classes. Boys and Girls are welcome. NSP will be offered K-6 in most and K-8th in others. ACA Academy will be boys and girls 14-18 years old.

6) How will the funds be utilized?

Funds will be spent on equipment, training, and instruction. We will make an effort to hire alumni of the program.

7) Did the program participate in the 2016 Kentucky PGA Golf Day?

No

8) What are the other sources of funding for this program?

The First Tee of Pine Mountain receives funding by individual donors, internal fundraising, and program fees of \$30 per child per season for those who can afford to pay. Any participants who need a sponsor will be given access without a fee.

9) Please list two references we may contact about your application. Please include full name, address, phone number and relationship to the program.

Allen Wilford (parent)

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Jay Phillips

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10) Provide suggested dates for a Kentucky Golf Foundation representative to visit the program:

March or April – Mondays or Tuesdays

Please return to: **Attn: Erin Horn, Director Communications-Membership**
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