

PART I - APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name: Jack Thomas

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City: Louisville, KY State: KY Zip: 40241

Date of Birth: 9-26-02

High School: Ballard

Currently, I am a high school: ☐ Freshman ☒ Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐ Senior

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PART II - APPLICANT ESSAY

- Please explain why you feel as though you deserve to be awarded a Justin Thomas Grant
- Essay must be typed and double spaced
- Essay should be no more than two pages

PART III - PERFORMANCE RECORD

- Please provide your performance record for at least the last two years
- Record should include scores in addition final results
- Performance Record must be typed

SUBMISSION

Return Application by mail with Part II, III to:

Kentucky Golf Foundation
Attention: Justin Thomas Grant
1116 Elmore Just Drive
Louisville, Kentucky 40245

OR by email to:

Connie Saner
csaner@kygolf.org

Applications must be received at Golf House Kentucky
by 4 p.m. on May 4, 2018

My name is Jack Thomas. I am a 15 year-old from Louisville, KY where I am a Sophomore (class of 2020) at Ballard High School. I think I should be considered for the Justin Thomas golf grant because of my love for the game of golf and my desire to become the best that I possibly can. I started hitting golf balls with my Dad when I was about 4 or 5 years old. I took my first lesson when I was nine and entered my first tournament at 10, with a second place finish.

In my early tournament career I played in local tournaments here in Louisville on the Musselman-Dunn Golf tour and the KY Jr PGA Tour. I have gradually played in higher level tournaments over the last couple of years including tournaments on the Hurricane Junior Tour and the Golfweek Junior Tour. Last year, I played in my first AJGA events. I was able to gain entry to the tournament at Bellefonte in Ashland, Kentucky by shooting a 74 in the qualifier. I then made the cut, and ended up T23 (74-74-70) for the tournament. My second AJGA event was at Crooked Creek, in London, KY, where I made the cut and ended T38 (72-79-74). For the year I earned 10 PBE stars.

I started 2018, by playing in the TaylorMade/adidas golf Boys Junior All-Star in Braselton, GA at Chateau Elan. I made the cut and ended T30 (76-75-73) for the event. This was a great opportunity as the tournament was played at the site of the AJGA national headquarters. I was able to tour the facility and see lots of cool memorabilia from current PGA tour pros that got their start through AJGA. In the summer of 2018, I hope to gain entry in at least 3 AJGA events.

My golf game has improved significantly over the past several years primarily due to my practice schedule. I typically work on my game five or six days a week. I have worked with a few PGA professionals on my swing, including Greg Graham, Mike Thomas and Barry Bonifield. When I practice on my own I try to apply what I have learned in these sessions. I have also recently added strength and flexibility training to my routine. If I am not working on my game I'm either watching golf on TV or golf videos on You Tube to find ways to help me improve.

In addition to practicing and playing a lot of golf, I am currently working a couple of days a week at Crescent Hill Golf Course. My duties include cleaning golf carts and working in the snack bar and pro shop. This allows me to be around golf even when I'm not playing golf. I also have the opportunity to practice my chipping and putting when things are slow around the pro shop. I have made some great friendships while working here as well. We spent a lot of time over the cold winter hitting balls into the net inside the clubhouse.

I also think it is very important to give back to the community in the form of volunteering. I recently volunteered as a ball spotter at the AJGA Justin Thomas Jr you hosted at Harmony Landing. This was a very well run event with a great field. I hope to play in this event in the next couple of years if I can earn enough PBE stars. I am also planning on volunteering in a Special Olympics golf scramble later this month. I am really looking forward to this event as I will be helping special needs children do something that they love.

I realize that my academic standing is just as important as my golf game when trying to get to college. I currently have a 4.0 in the Advanced Program at Ballard and was recently inducted into the BETA club. I love all things math and science and hope to pursue a college degree in a related field.

As I continue to improve my game, I'm hoping to play a more robust tournament schedule in 2018 and beyond in hopes of playing college golf someday. Your junior golf grant would help me reach this goal. Over the next couple of years, I hope to continue to improve my game, get physically stronger and play in even higher level junior tournaments on my way towards college.

Thank you for your consideration of my grant application.

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Tournament Record - 2016-Present

2016	Age Group	Event	Score	Pos
5/17/2016	13-14	MDGT Event #3 @ Standard CCMDGT Event #3 - Standard CC	80	2
5/21-5/22/2016	11-13	HJGT College Preg Series at UK-Big Blue	92-80	7
5/28-5/30/2016	13-14	MDGT KIA Classic #4 @ Seneca GCMDGT KIA Classic #4 - Seneca GC	82-86-81--249	8
6/13/2016	13-14	MDGT Event #9 Danville Country ClubMDGT Event #9 - Danville CC	86	6
6/17/2016	13-14	MDGT Event #12 Campbellsville CCMDGT Event #12 - Campbellsville CC	79	5
6/20/2016	13-14	MDGT Event #13 Bowling Green CCMDGT Event #13 - Bowling Green CC	79	4
6/21-6/22/2016	13-14	KY Boys Junior Amateur Championship - Maywood CC	80-77-157	8
6/23-6/24/2016	13-14	MDGT KIA Classic #14 Quail Chase GCMDGT KIA Classic Event #14 Quail Chase	77-76--153	2
6/28/2016	13-14	MDGT Event #16 Gibson Bay GCMDGT Event #16 - Gibson Bay GC	76	1
6/29/2016	13-14	MDGT Event #17 - Oldham Co. CCMDGT Event #17 - Oldham Co. CC	74	2
7/7-7/8/2016	13-14	MDGT/KIA Classic Event #18 UClub of KYMDGT KIA Classic Event #18 @ UClub of KY	81-79--160	10
7/18-7/19/2016	13-14	Tour Championship @ Big Spring CCTour Championship @ Big Spring CC	81-80--161	7
7/29/2016	HS	Lafayette Inv - Picadome	82	44
8/3/2016	HS	Kentucky Cup - UK Club Wildcat	84	75
8/8/2016	HS	Bruin Invitational - Standard CC	86	72
8/20/2016	HS	Linsday Ft Knox	85	18
8/27/2016	HS	PRP Invitational - Sun Valley GC	80	9
9/10/2016	HS	Doe Valley	81	14
9/17/2016	HS	Persimmon Ridge	85	44
10/15-10/16/2016	13-14	KPJT Fall Classic - UK Club Wildcat	82-76--158	3
10/22-10/23/2016	14-15	HJGT Louisville Junior Challenge - Oxmoor CC	78-86--164	22

2017	Age Group	Event	Score	Pos
3/25-3/26/2017	15-18	MKGT @ University of Louisville GC	79-81--160	4/21
4/22/2017	15-18	KPJT Spring Series - Nevel Meade	78	2/10
5/13-5/14/2017	15-18	MKGT @ Seneca GC	76-79--155	2/27
5/20-5/21/2017	14-18	HJGT @ UK Club Big Blue	75-77--152	16/51
5/31-6/1/2017	15-18	MKGT @ UK Club Wildcat	75-66--141	1/18
6/4/2017	AJGA	AJGA Junior All Star Qualifier @ Owensboro Country Club	77	24
6/7-6/8/2017	15-18	Jr National PGA Qualifier - Kentucky	76-77--153	25/86
6/12/2017	AJGA	AJGA Natural Resource Partners - Bellefonte Country Club - Qualifier	74	9
6/14-6/16/2017	AJGA	AJGA Natural Resource Partners - Bellefonte Country Club	74-74-70--218	23/101
6/19/2017	15-18	USGA Jr Amateur Sectional Qualifier - Owensboro Country Club	82	38
6/25-6/26/2017	15-18	KY State Jr Amateur - Maywood	81-72	36/96
7/2/2017	AJGA	AJGA - Otter Creek - Qualifier	81	41
7/5-7/6/2017	15-18	BIG I Trusted Choice Qualifier - Oxmoor Country Club	72-81	12/47
7/10-7/11/2017	15-16	MKGT Tour Championship @ Big Springs	76-75	2/18
7/24-7/27/2017	AJGA	AJGA - London - Crooked Creek	72-79-74	37/98
7/28/2017	HS	Lafayette Inv - Picadome	79	31
7/31/2017	HS	Oldham County Invitational - Oldham County CC	75	6
8/3/2017	HS	Kentucky Cup - UK Club Wildcat	90	95
8/5/2017	HS	KIT - Harmony Landing CC	76	26
8/7/2017	HS	Bruin Invitational - Standard CC	75	22
8/8/2017	HS	Franklin Co Flyer Invitational - Juniper Hill GC	73	9
8/19/2017	HS	Tates Creek Invitational - Bates Creek	78	19
8/26/2017	HS	Henry Clay Invitational - Lakeside GC	80	15
9/9/2017	HS	Bowling Green Invitational - Bowling Green Country Club	82	42
9/16/2017	HS	Scottie Invitational - Glasgow Country Club	76	6
9/23/2017	HS	KY Golf Coaches Association - Lakeside GC	76	10
10/21-10/22/2017	14-18	Hurricane Jour Tour @ Harmony Landing	75-81	16
11/4-11/5/2017	14-18	Golfweek Jr @ UK Club - Big Blue	70-78	15/108

2018	Age Group	Event	Score	Pos
3/29-4/1/2018	AJGA	TaylorMade/adidas Golf Boys Junior All-Star @ Chateau Elan	76-75-73	30/131

2018 Tentative Tournament Schedule

5/26-5/28/2018	Golfweek Junior Tour Championship @ UK Club - Big Blue
6/6-6/7/2018	PGA Junior Championship - KY Qualifier @ UK Club - Big Blue
6/12-6/15/2018	AJGA @ Bellefonte CC - Ashland, KY
6/26-6/27/2018	KY State Jr Amateur Championship @ Maywood CC - Bardstown, KY
7/2-7/5/2018	AJGA @ Otter Creek - Columbus, IN
7/23-7/26/2018	AJGA @ Crooked Creek - London, KY