## Central Links Golf Junior Tour Information

To be a member of the Kansas City or Kansas Junior Tour, a golfer must be 19 years old or younger and have not started their fall semester of freshman year in college. Juniors are eligible to play junior tour the summer after they graduate high school. A junior golfer must also have an active GHIN number. Players can obtain a GHIN number through the pro shop of their local golf course or can register with an online eClub <u>here</u>.

New in 2025, players will be able to sign up for an Open Division for both boys and girls. This is a non-age restricted division that is designed to be the most competitive junior division and play from a yardage closer to a Junior Championship. The Boys Open division will play from the farthest back tee set available and try to play from at least 6800 yards if available. If not, they will play the farthest back tee set available against the top competitors in the field. The Girls Open division will play from at least 5500 yards. Players can sign up for this division no matter their age.

Players are eligible for the following age divisions should they not want to play in the Open Division: Prep-9 Holes only (12 & Under), Boys 13-15, Girls 13-15, Boys 16+ and Girls 16+. A player's age as of August 1st will determine the age division they will play in. Players will compete in a season-long Player of the Year competition per division. The Player of the Year winners will be announced at the Tour Championship.

CLG has 3 membership options for Junior Tour including the KCJT Membership Program, KJT Membership Program and an All-Inclusive Membership Program. The KCJT Membership Program allows players access to register and play in KCJT events. Players who only intend to play KCJT events should choose this option. The KJT Membership Program allows players access to register and play in KJT events. Players who only intend to play in KJT events should choose this option. The All-Inclusive Membership Program allows players access to register and play in both KCJT and KJT events. Players who intend to play in multiple KCJT and KJT events each, should choose this option. All CLG Junior Tour Membership Programs include access to Youth On Course at no additional cost. The price of each Membership Program is listed below.

- KCJT Membership Program: \$45
- KJT Membership Program: \$30
- All Inclusive (Both Junior Tours) Membership Program: \$65

## To purchase a membership for junior tour, please click here.

No caddies are allowed for junior tour events. Parents/spectators may help look for lost balls but will need to stay on the cart path as much as possible. We ask parents to keep talking to players to a minimum and no advice or carrying of equipment. Parents may hand out snacks/water and give encouragement, but interaction needs to be limited and not delay play. If repeated offenses occur, parents and players are subject to removal or penalty. Please read over our <u>Code of Conduct policy</u> here. Spectator carts will be allowed to be rented on a course by course basis and at a fee determined by the host course.

There is no formal registration on site for junior tours. Tournament information such as pairings and tee times will be posted to the Junior Tour website on each individual tournament portal page at least 5 days before the tournament date. Registration for each tournament opens March 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am and the deadline for each tournament is one week prior to the event date at 11:59 pm. Players are expected to report to the first tee at least ten minutes before their starting time. A starter will be on the first tee and answer any questions, hand out scorecards and rules sheets and relay any tournament specific information.

In the event of weather, any delays or cancellations will be communicated via email, text and posted on the website. Cancellations don't usually occur until the morning of the tournament in case of rain, lightning or unplayable course conditions. Refunds will be given based on communication with the host course. Full refunds will be given to players if able and in most cases especially if they didn't begin their round. In the event the host course still wants payment for those players who started, partial refunds will be considered.

Our refund policy for junior tour events is posted as such: If communicated at least 24 hours before the tournament day, a full refund will be issued to a player needing to withdraw. If under 24 hours a possible partial refund will be considered. Due to long waitlists especially in KCJTs, it is important to know about withdraws before the day of. If a player continuously withdraws or no shows a tournament, that player will have 2 opportunities before being removed and waitlisted for future tournaments registered for. No showing a tournament keeps other players from being able to play and is not tolerated in junior tournaments.

## Kansas City Junior Tour

The KC Junior Tour is comprised of 10 events throughout the Kansas City metro area in June and July with the Tour Championship taking place the last week of July. The Tour Championship is qualification based. Players who win their age division in a KCJT will automatically qualify and receive their invite the week of qualifying. The top 5 players on the KCJT Player of the Year list for each division the week prior to the Tour Championship will also automatically qualify. If there is room for others in each age division, players will be entered in as first come first served basis based on performance and number of KCJTs played in. Entry fees for each event are \$45 and \$20 (Prep only). Tee times for the KCJT range from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. depending on what age division you are playing in. For a tee time request, please email Taylor at taylor@clgolf.org. Each KCJT event will alternate Boys and Girls teeing off early and late. If the Boys tee off early in the first event, the Girls will tee off early in the next event. That pattern will continue for the entirety of the season. This schedule will be determined in May prior to the start of the Junior Tour Season.

Throughout the season, Champions for divisions will receive a CLG Champions towel. Points will be given out based on standings in each division for the Player of the Year season long standings.

## **Kansas Junior Tour**

The Kansas Junior Golf Tour is comprised of 20+ events throughout the entire state of Kansas in June and July with the two-day Tour Championship taking place the last week of July. If you win your division in any KJT, you automatically qualify for the Tour Championship and invites will go out on a weekly basis. There is a summer long points standing list to also determine who gets invited outside of automatic qualifiers. Invites for the points list will begin the second week of July. The season long points list will be listed on each individual KJT portal page.

The allocation for Tour Championship Invites per division is listed below. These numbers are subject to change prior to the Tour Championship.

12 & Under	12
Boys 13 – 15	21
Boys 16 +	21
Boys Open	12
Girls 13 – 15	9
Girls 16 +	12
Girls Open	9

Entry fees for each event are as follows: One-day events – \$40 and \$20 (9 Holers only) Two-day events – \$80 and \$40 (9 Holers only)

Tee times for the KS Junior Tour range from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. depending on what division you are playing in and the number of players in the event. For a tee time request, please email Taylor at <u>taylor@clgolf.org</u>.

Our junior tours are designed for both beginner and competitive golfers. We welcome players of all abilities as long as they can handle the listed yardage for their respective division, can keep up with pace of play and manage their way around the golf course without a caddie. Our junior tours are a great way to get experience in tournament golf and grow in their abilities. It's also a great way to be competitive and play with the best of the best. Junior tours are a great stepping stone in to Junior Championships and college golf.

For any other questions, please contact Taylor Maloney, Junior Golf Director.