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## **YOUTH ON COURSE OFFERS AFFORDABLE GOLF FOR JUNIORS**

*Arizona features 26 participating golf facilities*

**PHOENIX** — Youth on Course and the Junior Golf Association of Arizona (JGAA) offer juniors age 6-18 green fees of \$5 or less at 26 facilities in Arizona. JGAA membership (\$90 annually) includes Youth on Course in addition to eligibility to register for girls' and boys' tournaments and events. Likewise, annual membership for the JGAA's sister organization, USGA\*LPGA Girls Golf of Phoenix, is \$40 and includes Youth on Course. Finally, Youth on Course-only membership – \$15 annually – provides \$5 green fees without JGAA or USGA\*LPGA Girls Golf of Phoenix membership.

"Youth on Course has been steadily growing and recently picked up momentum, partly because golf naturally lends itself to social distancing; parents are looking for safer sports for their kids as other organized sports take a timeout," said Scott McNevin, executive director of the JGAA. "The low cost makes it realistic to play more often. It's a program that benefits kids of all skill levels from Arizona's top-ranked players to recreational golfers just having fun."

Youth on Course, with the help of local golf associations such as JGAA, recently reached notable milestones including 90,000 members across 1,400 golf courses nationwide who have played one million rounds since the program began in 2005. Of the one million, 184,418 were recorded in the first two quarters of 2020 alone and 6,919 in the state of Arizona, an incredible number considering 3,927 total rounds were logged in Arizona in all of 2019.

Fueling the golf industry, Youth on Course subsidizes rounds for members and puts money back into the state organizations and courses. The organization's structure helps golf courses fill typically unused tee times and garner additional revenue with more than 40 percent of members playing with paying adults. The amount reimbursed back to participating courses almost doubled in the past year reaching close to \$400,000 this year alone and totaling nearly \$8 million dating back to 2005.

August 10-14, Youth on Course is celebrating #YOCWeek to reintroduce the organization through a rebranding launch and to raise awareness for their life-changing efforts. To follow along, visit Youth on Course's website and social channels throughout this week for updates.

**To sign up or learn more about JGAA and Youth on Course, visit [JGAA.org](http://JGAA.org) or call 602.944.6168.**

### **Participating Arizona Golf Courses**

Youth on Course facilities in Arizona include Aguila Golf Course, Apache Creek, Arizona Golf Resort, Hotel Spa & Conference Center, Arizona Grand Golf Club, Augusta Ranch Golf Club, Bear Creek Golf Complex, Cave Creek Golf Course, Desert Hills Golf Course, El Rio Golf Course, Encanto Golf Course, Fred Enke Golf Course, Huukan Golf Course, Las Colinas Golf Course, Longbow Golf Club, Palo Verde Golf Course, Papago Golf Course, Peoria Pines Golf Course, Randolph Golf Center, Springfield Golf Resort, Silverbell Golf Course, Starfire Golf Club, Stripe Show Golf Club, Sunland Springs Golf Course, Superstition Springs Golf Club and Wigwam Resort.

### **About the JGAA**

The Junior Golf Association of Arizona is a 501(c)(3) organization with the mission to educate, motivate and inspire Arizona's youth through golf and all of the valuable lessons and life skills inherent to the game. In addition to hosting competitive events, the JGAA develops programs for local schools, assists golf courses with their junior programs, conducts college prep seminars and etiquette clinics. The Junior Ambassador and Guest Speaker Programs give JGAA students the opportunity to learn, develop and adopt successful habits and practices – both on and off the golf course – from a collection of prominent, civic-minded community and business leaders. The JGAA also awards two scholarship funds annually to high school senior members of the JGAA for their college education – the Tres Arnold and the John Wolfinger Memorial College Scholarships. The JGAA's strong belief in teamwork and cooperation has guided the organization for more than 30 years and is instilled in all of its members. For more information JGAA, visit [www.jgaa.org](http://www.jgaa.org) or call 602-944-6168.

### **About Youth on Course**

The core purpose of Youth on Course is to help young people grow and succeed both on and off the course by providing opportunities to play, learn, grow, and build relationships through affordable, inclusive access to play. Members play thousands of courses for \$5 or less, benefit from career opportunities through the caddie and internship program and receive college scholarships. Headquartered in Pebble Beach, Youth on Course is a 501(c)3 organization that began as the charitable arm of the Northern California Golf Association. Since 2006, more than one million rounds have been played by Youth on Course members and nearly \$2 million has been awarded in college scholarships. Across North America, Youth on Course serves Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin and parts of Canada.

[YouthonCourse.org](http://YouthonCourse.org) | [Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [LinkedIn](#) | [Twitter](#)

More information: 831.625.4653.

## Participating Arizona Courses:

### Aguila Golf Course

- 8440 S 35th Ave, Laveen Village, AZ 85339; 602-534-4653, [www.phoenix.gov](http://www.phoenix.gov)

### Apache Creek Golf Club

- 3401 S Ironwood Dr, Apache Junction, AZ 85220; 480-982-2677, [www.apachecreekgolfclub.com](http://www.apachecreekgolfclub.com)

### Arizona Golf Resort, Hotel Spa & Conference Center

- 425 S Power Rd, Mesa, AZ 85206; 480-832-3202, [www.golfresortmesa.com](http://www.golfresortmesa.com)

### Arizona Grand Golf Club

- 8000 S, Arizona Grand Pkwy, Phoenix, AZ 85044; 602-431-6480, [www.arizonagrandgolf.com](http://www.arizonagrandgolf.com)

### Augusta Ranch Golf Club

- 2401 S Lansing, Mesa, AZ 85209; 480-354-1234, [www.augustaranchgolf.com](http://www.augustaranchgolf.com)

### Bear Creek Golf Complex

- 500 E Riggs Rd, Chandler, AZ 85249; 480-883-8200, [www.bearcreekaz.com](http://www.bearcreekaz.com)

### Cave Creek Golf Course

- 15202 N 19th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85023; 602-534-4653, [www.phoenix.gov](http://www.phoenix.gov)

### Desert Hills Golf Course

- 1245 W Desert Hills Dr, Yuma, AZ 85365; 928-373-5220, [www.cityofyumagolf.com](http://www.cityofyumagolf.com)

### El Rio Golf Course

- 1400 W Speedway Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85745; 520-791-4229, [www.tucsoncitygolf.com](http://www.tucsoncitygolf.com)

### Encanto Golf Course

- 2745 N 15th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85007; 602-534-4653, [www.phoenix.gov](http://www.phoenix.gov)

### Foothills Golf Club

- 2201 E Clubhouse Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85048; 480-460-4653, [www.thefoothillsgc.com](http://www.thefoothillsgc.com)

### Fred Enke Golf Course

- 8251 E Irvington Rd, Tucson, AZ 85730; 520-791-2539, [www.tucsoncitygolf.com](http://www.tucsoncitygolf.com)

### Huukan Golf Course

- 5835 Desert Lakes Dr, Fort Mohave, AZ 86426; 928-330-1000, [www.mojavegolf.com](http://www.mojavegolf.com)

### Las Colinas Golf Course

- 21515 East Village Loop Rd N, Queen Creek, AZ 85242; 480-987-3633, [lascolinasgolfclub.com](http://lascolinasgolfclub.com)

### Longbow Golf Club

- 5601 E Longbow Pkwy, Mesa, AZ 85215; 480-807-5400, [www.longbowgolf.com](http://www.longbowgolf.com)

### Palo Verde Golf Course

- 6215 N 15th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85015; 602-249-9930, [www.phoenix.gov](http://www.phoenix.gov)

### Papago Golf Course

- 5595 E Karsten Way, Phoenix, AZ 85008; 602-275-8428, [www.papagogolfcourse.net](http://www.papagogolfcourse.net)

### Peoria Pines Golf Course

- 8411 N 107th Ave, Peoria, AZ 85345; 623-972-1364, [www.peoriapines.com](http://www.peoriapines.com)

### Randolph Golf Complex

- 602 S Alvernon Way, Tucson, AZ 85711; 520-791-4161, [www.tucsoncitygolf.com](http://www.tucsoncitygolf.com)

### Springfield Golf Resort

- 1200 E St Andrews Blvd, Chandler, AZ 85249; 480-895-0916, [www.springfieldgolfresort.com](http://www.springfieldgolfresort.com)

### Silverbell Golf Course

- 3600 N Silverbell Rd, Tucson, AZ 85745; 520-791-5235, [www.tucsoncitygolf.com](http://www.tucsoncitygolf.com)

### Starfire Golf Club

- 11500 N Hayden Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85260; 480-948-6000, [starfiregolfclub.com](http://starfiregolfclub.com)

### Stripe Show Golf Club

- 1415 S Westwood, Mesa, AZ 85210; 480-969-0377, [www.freedomgolfcourse.com](http://www.freedomgolfcourse.com)

Sunland Springs Golf Course

- 11061 E. Medina Avenue, Mesa, Arizona 85209; 480-984-4209, [www.sunlandspringsgolf.com](http://www.sunlandspringsgolf.com)

Superstition Springs Golf Club

- 6542 E Baseline Rd., Mesa, AZ 85206; 480-985-5622, [www.superstitionspringsgc.com](http://www.superstitionspringsgc.com)

Wigwam Golf Club

- 451 N Old Litchfield Rd, Litchfield Park, AZ 85340; 623-935-9414, [www.wigwamgolf.com](http://www.wigwamgolf.com)