Golf (Girls)
Sport Information

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Regular Season Information
In-Season Activities
- In-season practice with a school coach present - in any sport - is prohibited outside the sport seasons designated in the following table. (Summers are exempt.)

	Start	End
Fall Season	Monday, Aug 3, 2026	Tuesday, October 27, 2026

Game Limits

Girls Golf	25 contests

Out-of-Season Activities
- Out-of-season activities are allowed, but are subject to the following:
    - Dead Periods:
        - Only apply to sports not in season.
        - Out-of-Season activities are not allowed during the following periods:

Season	Period
Fall	Starts the first week of fall season through August 31st.
Winter	Starts 1 week prior to the first day of the winter sport season and extends 3 weeks after Nov. 1.
Spring	Starts 1 week prior to the second Monday of February and extends 3 weeks after the second Monday of February.
May	Starts on the spring seeding meeting date and extends through the final spring state championship.

Sport Rules
- USGA rules will prevail except where modified and approved by the Sport Director.
- It is important for athletic directors and coaches to annually review rules changes each season. Rule Books are also available for online purchase on the USGA website. Use these links to find specific rules and annual updates.
    1. USGA Rules Hub
    2. USGA Rules of Golf
- Rules
    1. Heads of schools and athletic directors are responsible for seeing that these rules and concepts are understood and followed by their coaching staff without exception.
    2. Enforcement of all NCISAA rules is the responsibility of each school, each conference, the NCISAA Board of Advisors, the NCISAA Board of Trustees and the NCISAA State Office.
- **An individual must have competed in a minimum of 8 matches, on four separate dates, in order to be eligible for the state championship.**

- Caddies are prohibited in all play.
    - Pull or push carts are allowed.
- Players are permitted to use electronic measuring devices that measure yardage only.
- In the state championships, players will play from tees ranging from a minimum of 5200 to a maximum of 6000 yards on courses rated by the USGA.
- The local pro and/or CGA official will be the final authority on all rules interpretations; in case of any questions during play, a second ball will be played, and the local pro will rule on the question.
- Coaching during play:
    - The Head Coach and one assistant coach are allowed to coach from green to the next tee.
    - Teammates playing in the same group may give advice to one another.
    - Parents are not permitted to give advice, in any situation, at any time.
- Team scores will be determined by the 3 lowest scoring players per team.
- The "Par Plus 3" applies in the state tournament as well as the regular season.
- *Note:* A team may be as many as five individuals with the top three scores counting. This is both for regular season as well as championship play.
- **During the regular season, all results must be logged into iWanamaker within 24 hours of completion.**
- Any team failing to report their score as indicated above may forfeit their opportunity to participate in the state tournament.
- The last date for regular season play is Tuesday, October 20, 2026. Results must be entered by 11:59 pm on October 20, 2026.
- The opt-out date will be October 16, 2026.

Postseason Information

1. Female golfers in all divisions must compete in the fall season.
2. State Championship qualifiers will consist of two divisions based on their regular season iWR Rankings..
3. Divisions:
    - Division I (Schools 301- Up)- Top 39 individuals based on the iWR rankings.
    - Division II (Schools 300- Below)- Top 39 individuals based on the iWR rankings.
4. **If a minimum of three players are from the same school, those individuals qualify as a team and are eligible to compete for the team championship.**
5. In computing the iWR ranking each team or individual entry will count a minimum of 80% of matches played with a maximum of 25 nine hole matches. Refer to the following chart:

# of Matches	# of Scores to Drop
1-4	0
5-9	1
10-14	2
15-19	3
20-24	4
25	5
More than 25	Disqualified from State Championships

6. If a player reaches 3 over par on any hole, she may record that score.
7. The "Par Plus 3" applies to the state tournament as well as the regular season.
8. The team may have as many as five individuals with the top three scores counting.
9. Individuals are required to accept the tournament invitation.

10. Schools of players that fail to honor their tournament invitation and did not opt-out are subject to fines and future forfeitures of postseason events.

Championship Site -
TBD

Date
October 26-27, 2026

Entry Fee
TBD

Starting Times & Pairing
Starting times will be assigned by the Sport Director.

Tournament Pairings
- Tournaments will consist of a 2 day, 36 hole format.
    - Day one pairings will be based on regular season iWR rankings.
    - Schools that have three or more players qualify for the state championship will also be considered a team.
    - The committee will work to make pairings based on teams.
    - Day two pairings will be based on scores from day one.

Sport Rules
1. USGA rules will prevail except where modified and approved by the Sport Director.
2. Rulings, if necessary, will be made by the host professional.
3. Caddies are prohibited in all play. However, motorized carts are allowed for those with documented medical needs.
4. Non-motorized pull or push carts are allowed.
5. Players are permitted to use electronic measuring devices that measure yardage only.
6. **Cell phones are only permitted to be used to enter scores on iWanamaker or to contact a coach for a ruling.**
7. In the state championships, players will play from tees ranging from a minimum of 5200 to a maximum of 6000 yards on courses rated by the USGA.
8. The local pro and/or CGA official will be the final authority on all rules interpretations; in case of any questions during play, a second ball will be played, and the local pro will rule on the question.
9. Coaching during play:
    - The Head Coach and one assistant coach are allowed to coach from green to tee.
    - Teammates playing in the same group may give advice to one another.
    - Parents are not permitted to give advice, in any situation, at any time.
10. All playing rules will be provided to each player before the tournament play begins.
11. Team scores will be determined by the 3 lowest scoring players per team.
12. Tie Breaker:
    - Top 3 team members, based on championship score, will go into sudden death play.
    - In case of a tie for State Medalist, players will go into a sudden death playoff starting on the first playoff hole.

Awards

All-State will be based on the 2-day championship results.

Team	Div. I	Div. II
Championship Trophy	1	1
Runner-Up Trophy	1	1
Plaque to State Medalist	1	1
Individual Medal to State Runner-Up	1	1
Individual Medal to State 3rd Place	1	1
Individual Gold Medals to Championship Team	8	8
Individual Silver Medals to Runner-Up Team	8	8

Individual	1st Team	1st Team
All-State Awards	9	9