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2026AIA State Fall Golf

TOURNAMENT GUIDE

Schedule, Rules, Regulations, Instructions

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2026 ADMISSION PRICE:

One day only pass:

$15.00 – adults & students

Aguila Golf Course: 8550 S 35th Avenue, Laveen AZ 85339

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Course maintenance and over-seed schedule:

Aguila Golf Course will be closed for over-seeding from about October 5th to October 19th

Timeline for 2026 Fall Golf

First permissible day for practice:		Monday	August 3
First permissible day for competition:		Monday	August 10
Last date for scheduled events:	Division II Girls	Wednesday	October 21
	Division II Boys	Friday	October 23
	Division I Girls	Wednesday	October 28
	Division I Boys	Friday	October 30
Entries Due:	Division II Girls	Thursday	October 22
	Division II Boys	Saturday	October 24
	Division I Girls	Thursday	October 29
	Division I Boys	Saturday	November 1
Last date for "Practice on site"	Division II	Saturday	October 24
	Division I	Saturday	October 31

State Tournament Dates at Aguila Golf Course

Division II Girls State Tournament	**Mon-Tues**	**October 26 and 27**
Division II Boys State Tournament	**Wed-Thurs**	**October 28 and 29**
Division I Girls State Tournament	**Mon-Tues**	**November 2 and 3**
Division I Boys State Tournament	**Wed-Thurs**	**November 4 and 5**

At the State Tournaments:

Mandatory Coaches meeting on Day One at 8am OR 9am

Day One Tee Times start at 9am and will be off #1 and #10

Day Two Tee Times start at 8am and will be off #1 and #10

Note: Any Substitutes for Day Two must be made prior to coaches leaving Aguila on Day One

Arizona Interscholastic Association Sport Advisory Committee Members:

Note: Members of the AIA Golf Sports Advisory Committee and others will serve as the Games Committee at all the AIA State tournaments in all Divisions

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Athletic Director:			**Coach:**	
1A	Open		JJ DePanfilis	Bagdad
2A	Open		Brian Miller	Scottsdale Prep
3A	Tim Bridges	ALA-Anthem S.	Open	
4A	William Wright	Estrella Foothills	Chris Holcombe	Poston Butte
5A	Barry Cromer	Verrado	Doug Kautz	Ironwood Ridge
6A	Tui Selvaratnam	Xavier	Frank Campos	Red Mountain

Arizona Golf Coaches Association Members:

At Large	Jason Jones	Pinnacle
At Large	Jon Shores	Brophy College Prep
At Large	Jeff Williams	Sandra Day O'Connor

State Tournament Directors:

At Large	Jason Jones
At Large	Doug Honkamp
At Large	Pat Reed
At Large	Tony Ramseyer
At Large	Frank Campos

2026 State Tournament Directors (subject to change):

Girls DII – Jason Jones	Starters: TBD
Boys DII – Jason Jones	Starters: TBD
Girls DI – Doug Honkamp	Starters: TBD
Boys DI – Doug Honkamp	Starters: TBD

RULES COMMITTEE

Scott McNevin – Junior Golf Association of Arizona and Head Rules Officials

RULES

Rules shall be those of the current USGA Rules of Golf, AIA Constitution and Bylaws, and these tournament instructions:

SCORING:

All the AIA Golf Championships scoring is paperless, all scoring will be live scoring using AIA Golf app powered by iWanamaker. **The electronic scorecard exchange is mandatory for all players.** Like the scoring of events during the regular season, individual players will be assigned to score for one other player in the group. At the starting tent, the starters will reaffirm all players are prepared to live score during the event with adequately charged batteries and a working knowledge of the scoring procedures. **Any player not properly prepared at the starting tee will not be allowed to participate in that day's round, a D/Q will be reported as the player's score.** Coaches **WILL NOT** be allowed to substitute another player. If a player should have a battery failure during the round, the player will be withdrawn from the event and the player will be scored as disqualified (D/Q). All coaches should have one or two portable battery chargers in the event of a player's battery failure. Post round scoring will be on the finishing hole or the designated scoring area. Mobile devices will only be permitted to be out from Green to Tee. Players shall report to their assigned tee a minimum of 10 minutes prior to their starting time. After the round all players shall immediately report to the designated scoring area to confirm scores with the Games Committee.

COACHING

Coaching will be permitted as per USGA Rules of Golf, Rule 24.4 - Each team may have one (1) designated coach per match/ tournament. Coaches may not be on the greens or in the bunkers**.** One cart will be assigned to each school.

DRESS CODE

All team members shall wear proper attire that includes:

- Belts on boys
- Neat and clean clothing
- Hats worn properly (bills forward)
- Sleeves and collars on boys' shirts. Shirts must be tucked in.
- Collared shirts with or without sleeves on girls
- Athletic shirts without collars that are specifically for golf (i.e. Lululemon with sleeves).
- NO tank tops or T-shirts
- Capri Pants, shorts, skorts and skirts that are acceptable and appropriate for golf.
- Boy's shorts must NOT be lower than the bottom of the knee.
- Shorts, pants, or cargo shorts that are appropriate for golf.
- All clothing must be worn in a neat and respectable way (shirts must be tucked in).
- Girls' shirts should not rise above the belt line during the swing.
- Midriff must not be visible at any time during the golf swing.
- Local golf course rules may be more restrictive and will be followed.

Improper attire includes, but is not limited to:

Jeans, bathing suits, tank tops, tee shirts, halter tops, cutoffs, short shorts, tennis shorts, sweats, excessively baggy shorts, non-tailored cargo shorts or pants and dress of similar nature is inappropriate. The dress code will be enforced. All team members shall wear identical AIA approved golf shirts while participating in any inter-school competition. Proper attire must always be worn in the clubhouse, on the golf course and on the driving range. Please note that the AIA Tournament Staff has the right to deem other attire to be improper even if does not appear on the previous list.

Note: The Games Committee will be judge of all improper attire. A player that is deemed to be wearing improper attire will not be allowed on the course until he/she is wearing proper golf attire. The Games Committee's decision will be final.

Unsportsmanlike Conduct

Per AIA Bylaw **26.9.1.11** Inappropriate behavior (club throwing, abusive or profane language, mistreatment of the golf course, etc.) will be dealt with by the Games Committee. A player may be disqualified from the tournament.

Distance Measuring Devices: Rangefinders

The use of a Distance Measuring Device: per **USGA (14-3)** and **Arizona Interscholastic Association** adoption are permitted in all high school play (including regular season matches and tournaments as well as the State Tournament).

Tournament Organization

The State Tournament shall be run as a team tournament. The five players of each team shall be played in consecutive tee times. Second day pairings will be based upon first day results.

Slow Play

Slow play cannot be tolerated, and coaches are encouraged to monitor slow play closely. Slow play may lead to stroke penalties and participant disqualification. Rules and Games Committee will monitor the pace of play and rounds should take no longer than 4 hours and 30 minutes.

Trophies and Medals

- The winning team and runners-up team will receive team trophies.
- Individual medals will be awarded to the top 10 places.

Tie Breakers

In the event of a tie in team scores at the completion of Regulation play (four out of five scores counted each day), the winner shall be determined by comparing the fifth score posted on the second day from each involved in the tie. If a tie still remains, then the same procedure will be used by comparing the firth score posted on the first day of competition. If a tie remains after both scores have been compared, the teams will be declared co-champions (26.9.1.8.1). In the case of a tie for the individual medalist champion at the conclusion of regulation play, the individuals tied for the championship will proceed to a hold designated by the tournament games committee as the first play-off hole. Play will continue from designated holes until a champion is determined. In case of darkness co-champions will be declared (26.9.1.8.2).

SPECTATOR INFORMATION

- Spectators must check in at AIA entrance table or the first/tenth tee to purchase their spectator badge/land yard, which must be worn while on the golf course.
- Spectators will not be allowed on the driving range or practice putting green and must always remain on the cart path or at least 30 yards away from the group if a cart path is not available. Any contact could be construed as giving advice. (USGA Rules of Golf, Rule 10.2a)
- Requests to use a golf cart must be submitted to the AIA and/or Tournament Director prior to the event. Requests will be approved if warranted based on documentation provided prior to the tournament. The use of carts will not carry over from the first day to the second day and will be rented only if there are available carts.
- Except for viewing "live results" on the AZPREPS365 golf app the use of cell phones or other electronic devices are prohibited while on the course.
- AIA Bylaw: Article 16.3.4 stipulates that student spectators, parents, or other non-school personnel that initiate or use profanity in cheers or cheers having the intent of sounding profane, single out opposing players personally and/or heckle them by directing derogatory or profane statements or chants at them, use racist remarks or direct offensive cheers /chants at opposing individuals, teams or fans are in violation of the AIA sportsmanship rules. Any spectator conduct that becomes unruly or interferes with the orderly progress of the match will result in the offending spectator(s) being removed from the golf course site.

CANCELLATIONS OF ROUNDS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the case of inclement weather forcing cancellation of 1 of 2 18-hole rounds, an official Championship may be awarded for 18 holes only. This would be Day 1 results if Day 2 is cancelled, or Day 2 results if Day 1 is cancelled. A shotgun start may be concerned depending upon inclement weather.

MEDIA CREDENTIAL POLICY

AIA has a Media Policy that needs to be followed to protect the proprietary rights of the Association and to protect the student-athletes and coaches at all State tournament events. The following link (http://aiaonline.org/news/press_center.php) is to the AIA Media Center which houses the AIA online media credential form and the AIA approved media list (those that have requested and been granted AIA media credentials). The editor/manager of an outlet already granted access to AIA media credentials must go online and order credentials for a member of the media not on the master list. Please note that some members of the media might show up with freelance credentials. These have no pictures on them but do allow for access to the event per the designated media outlet on the AIA media credential. Additionally, all member schools were allotted several school-based credentials for the school year. These will allow admittance equal to a media or freelance credential.

ADA COMPLIANCE NOTICE

It is the policy of the Arizona Interscholastic Association not to discriminate based on disability in admission to, access to, or operation of its programs, services and activities, or in its hiring and employment practices.

Persons with a disability may request reasonable accommodation, such as sign language interpreter, by making a request to the office staff. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

AIA ADA COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Questions, concerns, complaints, or requests for additional information may be forwarded to the AIA:

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Arizona Interscholastic Association, Inc.
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PROPOSED TEE TIMES

AIA DI and DII State Tournaments - Day 1 **Aguila Golf Course**

Note: All times and pairings subject to change

1st tee	School	Player	School	Player	School	Player
9:00 AM	Team 1	Player 1	Team 2	Player 1	Team 3	Player 1
9:10AM	Team 1	Player 2	Team 2	Player 2	Team 3	Player 2
9:20AM	Team 1	Player 3	Team 2	Player 3	Team 3	Player 3
9:30AM	Team 1	Player 4	Team 2	Player 4	Team 3	Player 4
9:40AM	Team 1	Player 5	Team 2	Player 5	Team 3	Player 5
9:50AM		Individual 1		Individual 2		Individual 3
10:00AM		Individual 7		Individual 8		Individual 9
10:10AM		Individual 13		Individual 14		Individual 15
10:20AM	Team 7	Player 1	Team 8	Player 1	Team 9	Player 1
10:30AM	Team 7	Player 2	Team 8	Player 2	Team 9	Player 2
10:40AM	Team 7	Player 3	Team 8	Player 3	Team 9	Player 3
10:50AM	Team 7	Player 4	Team 8	Player 4	Team 9	Player 4
11:00AM	Team 7	Player 5	Team 8	Player 5	Team 9	Player 5
10th Tee						
9:00 AM	Team 4	Player 1	Team 5	Player 1	Team 6	Player 1
9:10AM	Team 4	Player 2	Team 5	Player 2	Team 6	Player 2
9:20AM	Team 4	Player 3	Team 5	Player 3	Team 6	Player 3
9:30AM	Team 4	Player 4	Team 5	Player 4	Team 6	Player 4
9:40AM	Team 4	Player 5	Team 5	Player 5	Team 6	Player 5
9:50AM		Individual 4		Individual 5		Individual 6
10:00AM		Individual 10		Individual 11		Individual 12
10:10AM		Individual 16		Individual 17		Individual 18
10:20AM	Team 10	Player 1	Team 11	Player 1	Team 12	Player 1
10:30AM	Team 10	Player 2	Team 11	Player 2	Team 12	Player 2
10:40AM	Team 10	Player 3	Team 11	Player 3	Team 12	Player 3
10:50am	Team 10	Player 4	Team 11	Player 4	Team 12	Player 4
11:00am	Team 10	Player 5	Team 11	Player 5	Team 12	Player 5

Day 2 Tee Times

Note: All times and pairings subject to change

1st tee	School	Player	School	Player	School	Player
8:00AM	Team 4	Player 5	Team 5	Player 5	Team 6	Player 5
8:10AM	Team 4	Player 4	Team 5	Player 4	Team 6	Player 4
8:20AM	Team 4	Player 3	Team 5	Player 3	Team 6	Player 3
8:30AM	Team 4	Player 2	Team 5	Player 2	Team 6	Player 2
8:40AM	Team 4	Player 1	Team 5	Player 1	Team 6	Player 1
8:50AM		Individual 7		Individual 8		Individual 9
9:00AM		Individual 4		Individual 5		Individual 6
9:10AM		Individual 1		Individual 2		Individual 3
9:20AM	Team 1	Player 5	Team 2	Player 5	Team 3	Player 5
9:30AM	Team 1	Player 4	Team 2	Player 4	Team 3	Player 4
9:40AM	Team 1	Player 3	Team 2	Player 3	Team 3	Player 3
9:50AM	Team 1	Player 2	Team 2	Player 2	Team 3	Player 2
10:00AM	Team 1	Player 1	Team 2	Player 1	Team 3	Player 1
10th Tee						
8:00 AM	Team 10	Player 5	Team 11	Player 5	Team 12	Player 5
8:10AM	Team 10	Player 4	Team 11	Player 4	Team 12	Player 4
8:20AM	Team 10	Player 3	Team 11	Player 3	Team 12	Player 3
8:30AM	Team 10	Player 2	Team 11	Player 2	Team 12	Player 2
8:40AM	Team 10	Player 1	Team 11	Player 1	Team 12	Player 1
8:50AM		Individual 16		Individual 17		Individual 18
9:00AM		Individual 13		Individual 14		Individual 15
9:10AM		Individual 10		Individual 11		Individual 12
9:20AM	Team 7	Player 5	Team 8	Player 5	Team 9	Player 5
9:30AM	Team 7	Player 4	Team 8	Player 4	Team 9	Player 4
9:40AM	Team 7	Player 3	Team 8	Player 3	Team 9	Player 3
9:50AM	Team 7	Player 2	Team 8	Player 2	Team 9	Player 2
10:00AM	Team 7	Player 1	Team 8	Player 1	Team 9	Player 1

Aguila (8440 S. 35th Avenue) Hosting Practice Round information:

Aguila will host a practice round for:
Division I boys and girls – Friday, October 30th, starting at 9:30am
Division II boys and girls – Friday, October 23rd, starting 9:30am

Invitations will be sent out to the 10-15 highest-ranked teams in iWanamaker 10 days prior to the practice round date. Tee times are set based on ranking in iWanamaker and will alternate boys teams and girls teams. The number one ranked boys team will go at 9:30. The number one ranked girls team will go at 9:40 and so on, every 10 minutes. When invitations are emailed, please confirm your time by emailing michael.owens@phoenix.gov. Do not call the golf shop to confirm your tee time. Michael Owens will need email verification to lock in your scheduled time. Individual qualifiers will have to get a tee time independently with the pro shop if they would like to play a practice round.

Teams can bring up to five players, and fivesomes will be allowed. The price is $25.00 per player (one coach's cart, range balls, and tax included). Any team that plans on having a substitute player can bring them along to ride with the coach, but only five players are permitted to play.

The "Pace of Play" is 4 hours and 20 minutes. Please ensure the players on your team maintain and no spectators are allowed at the practice round.

Players can also practice on their own and receive the junior rate, but team-organized practice rounds are limited to the scheduled practice round date for their respective division. If a player does wish to practice on their own, rounds can only be booked 7 days or less in advance. Junior rates at Aguila are $22.00 + tax.

Practice availability is anytime from Monday through Saturday. Bylaw 14.2.1 **must** be adhered to—no practice, chalk talk, or films are permitted on **Sunday** during the school year.

The last day for players to practice at Aguilla is:
Division I – Saturday November 1st
Division II – Saturday October 25th
Division III - Saturday, May 9th

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Aguila DI and DII Golf Course Yardages

Girls			Boys		
Hole	Yardage	Par	Hole	Yardage	Par
1	356	4	1	433	4
2	492	5	2	565	5
3	150 / 127	3	3	201 / 175	3
4	368	4	4	462	4
5	444	5	5	519	5
6	346	4	6	377	4
7	122	3	7	163 / 145	3
8	277	4	8	309	4
9	362	4	9	441	4
	2917	36		3470	36
10	432	5	10	531	5
11	366	4	11	426	4
12	380	4	12	430	4
13	115 / 108	3	13	149 / 138	3
14	361	4	14	392	4
15	468	5	15	565	5
16	161 / 135	3	16	197/ 170	3
17	265 / 230	4	17	321	4
18	376	4	18	449	4
	2779	36		3460	36
	5696	72		6930	72