

Minuteman Golf Preseason Letter/Schedule:

August 2021

Greetings:

Thank you for the early interest in the golf team. My name is Coach Donovan and I have been with the golf team for 23 years now, 12 as head coach. I am also the lead teacher for the English department and I run the school drama club, The Minuteman Players. My assistant is Coach Fusco, who is also the head Basketball coach and the lead teacher for the Math department. We are both looking forward to fun and productive season of golf.

Tryouts for Varsity will begin as soon as the MIAA allows; currently, the first time we can hold a practice is Monday, August 23rd. Some students will be asked to keep coming after their first tryout, while some may not be asked back until the junior varsity squad forms the week after. We will meet at Stone Meadow Golf in Lexington at 3PM. Please arrange to have rides pick you up at 5PM. Bring your clubs!

Varsity practice/tryouts will continue beginning Tuesday, August 24th at Pine Meadow Golf in Lexington. Please arrive by 2:30PM and plan to have rides pick you up around 5:30PM. Remember, this is by invitation only.

Varsity: I usually carry about 8-12 golfers on Varsity (8 for competition and up to 4 alternates). Most Varsity players score in the 40-58 range for nine holes at Pine Meadow Golf in Lexington. Varsity practices/plays matches Monday-Thursday.

Junior Varsity: The junior varsity works like a developmental squad, the goal of which is to offer more instruction to get students ready to potentially compete the year after for a varsity position. Junior Varsity practices two-three days a week (undetermined which days yet) at Stone Meadow Golf in Lexington. This team will form the week after tryouts.

Please keep in mind that I can only invite players who have completed the online sports form, including an updated physical and a certificate showing completion of the concussion course.

If you are new to the team, it would be helpful to know a little bit about you as a golfer: scores you tend to post, where you play, how often you play, types of clubs you use, etc. For beginners, JV is the place to start. This early determination can alleviate concerns and pressure. It would be most helpful to have some of this information emailed to me at your earliest convenience at gdonovan@minuteman.org. Other than that, keep playing as much as possible!

Best, Coach Greg Donovan

P.S. Don't let any of the above intimidate you! We are a really fun team with many ability levels.