

West Fargo High School Boys' Golf Information

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- Unlike a gym or a football field, WFPS (West Fargo Public Schools) does not own the golf course and space is limited. West Fargo High School and Cheney Middle School will use **Maple River GC** and we must also share with the public. Tee Times and range space will be limited so we will have to stagger our practice. We are also allowed to keep 24 players 7-12.
- The golf season is scheduled to begin on **Monday, April 6, 2026**. Depending upon when Maple River GC opens, the first days of practice may be held inside. If this is the case, practice will be inside at a place and time to be determined. For the 2026 season, we will have practice at GolfNXT Tue-Thurs from 7-9 PM
- WFHS Expectations:
 - We are GUESTS at Maple River GC. It is our expectations that each player leave the course in better shape than we found it.
 - We are allowed to keep 24 players 7-12.
 - We will ALWAYS hit off mats when provided at the range.
 - We will come prepared and dressed appropriately.
 - Please go to "Youth on Course" and sign up. If a player wishes to play after practice they will need to pay \$5 to play under "Youth on Course" this is good for the entire golf season.
 - Players will walk (not use carts) during official practice times.
 - Fundraiser: will be held on April 17 after school. Room TBD – we will try to get CMS library.
 - Coaches will be at practice until the last player leaves, so please be prompt with your player pick-up at 5:30.
- Maple River Expectations
 - Matt Western, Brett Cowman, Brock Graff, and staff have the absolute authority to enforce WFHS expectations as well as Maple River Expectations. If they ask or instruct you to do something, it is like any one of the coaches asked you to do it.

REGISTRATION:

- You must have the online [CMS/WFHS Activity Registration](#) (*including an updated sports physical*) completed prior to starting practice. **No exceptions will be allowed!** You must have four practices AND all paperwork and participation fees in before you may participate in a tournament.

PARTICIPATION FEES:

- The fee for being on the golf team is **\$60 for 9-12 graders and \$40 for 7/8 graders**. This fee can be paid online through the Arbiter website or cash/check to the Activity Department at CMS or WFHS.
- You do not have to pay for range balls or green fees that are a part of practice and being on the team.
- You **will** be responsible to pay for any range balls you hit preparing for a tournament at a given course (except Maple River GC).
- You will be responsible for any tees, balls, etc. for use during practice rounds and tournament play.

PRACTICE DETAILS:

- You must have your own golf clubs and transportation to the golf course every day. The school is unable to provide either for you. You should get to the golf course as soon as you can after school. We want to start practice as close to 4:15 as possible.
- Practice will be held daily at:

Maple River Golf Course
3666 163rd Ave SE
Mapleton, ND 58059
Phone: 701-282-5419
General Manager: Matt Western
- Practice may consist of playing holes, hitting balls on the driving range, and/or short game practice on the practice green. Practice will generally be done at about 5:30/6:00 for driving range/short game days. Coaches will try to inform

you when practice is expected to be done so you can arrange your ride if practice may need to run longer. **Please have your transportation arrive as soon as practice is done** (Call when you get to 7 tee box, for example).

- ***Dress appropriately for the weather conditions!** Just because the sun is out and it appears warm when you leave school, it does not necessarily mean that it is warm out on the course. You should have some type of jacket, pants, head covering, and gloves in your bag AT ALL TIMES. Practice will still take place if it is cold or lightly raining.
- **You must be at practice every day** unless prior approval is received from the coach. A missed practice will result in suspension of tournament participation regardless of event.

TOURNAMENTS:

- For tournaments, a typical team consists of six players and the four lowest scores from our team will be used in determining our team score and place at the tournament. However, we will bring as many players as possible to each of the tournaments and divide you into separate teams.
- Not all team members will participate in every tournament. You will be notified as soon as possible if you are going to a tournament. Often, you will qualify for a chance to play in a tournament. If you are chosen to play in a tournament, you will be responsible for getting assignments from your teachers in advance and getting the work done in advance if that is what your teacher requires. **You must also exhibit appropriate behavior in class. If the coach is notified of poor behavior, you will not be allowed to participate in tournaments until that behavior improves.**
- Transportation to all golf tournaments outside the FM Metro Area will be provided by the school. Some of the time, you will miss the entire day of school when playing a tournament. Other times, the bus will return you to the school at the end of the tournament and you will be expected to finish the day of school. When a tournament is done, it is expected that you will return to school with the team. **If your parents, and *parents only*, choose to pick you up after a tournament to take you home, they may. However, they must notify the school that you are not coming back and give a reason. *Golf is not a valid reason for missing school once a tournament has concluded!***
- Rules information: There are many new rules starting with the 2026 golf season. 1. Slope is now ok to use. 2. I will hand out some information, but you are responsible for knowing the rules. Golf rules apply to practice rounds and tournaments.
- USE OF YOUR PHONE – Your phone is only allowed in tournaments for scorekeeping purposes.
- Tournament Schedule – See Handout
- Junior High School – Parent's please see the sign up sheet to sign up if you would be able to help get players rides to and from practice.

April/May 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3/29	3/30	3/31	4/1	4/2	4/3	4/4
					*Good Friday	
4/5	4/6	4/7	4/8	4/9	4/10	4/11
*Easter	*First Day of Practice				*First Allowable Contest DL - Early Bird - 2PM SG Var and JV	
4/12	4/13	4/14	4/15	4/16	4/17	4/18
	*Shyenne Invite @ Village Green - 9:00 (8 players/team - range included) - Fee TBA		*WF JV Invite @ Maple River - 9:00	JV - DL Lakeview 2 PM SG - \$100 DL - Early Bird- Make Up		
4/19	4/20	4/21	4/22	4/23	4/24	4/25
			*Red River Invite @ King's Walk - 9:00		*SD @ TBD (Nathan Olson in charge of contacting Brookings)	*SD @ TBD (Lucas Johnson in charge of contacting Watertown)
4/26	4/27	4/28	4/29	4/30	5/1	5/2
	*Wahpeton Invite @ Bois de Sioux GC - 9:00	JV - DCC - 9 AM SG - \$100			*North Invite @ Edgewood GC - Tee Times	*North Invite @ Edgewood GC - 8:30

May/June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5/3	5/4	5/5	5/6	5/7	5/8	5/9
	*South/Davies Invite @ Rose Creek GC - 9:00 (Individual Qualifier??) JV - Wildflower - 2PM SG		*Horace Invite @ Crossroads GC (Carrington) - 10:00 (Individual Qualifier??) *JV @ Bois de Sioux -			
5/10	5/11	5/12	5/13	5/14	5/15	5/16
*Mother's Day	*WF Invite @ Lakeside GC - 10:00 (8 varsity) *JV @ Lakeside GC - 10:00 (4 JV)	JV - DL Black Diamond - 9AM SG		*GF Central Invite @ Grand Forks CC - 9:00		
5/17	5/18	5/19	5/20	5/21	5/22	5/23
	*Shanley Invite @ Fargo CC - 9:00 *JV @ Edgewood - 9:00			*Devils Lake Invite @ Creel Bay GC - 10:00 (Individual Qualifier??) Moorhead JV @ Meadows	*South JV Invite @ Black Diamond - 9:00 Var - EDC Practice Round	
5/24	5/25	5/26	5/27	5/28	5/29	5/30
	*Memorial Day		*EDC @ Rose Creek??		OXBOW Practice Round	
5/31	6/1	6/2	6/3	6/4	6/5	6/6
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