2025 PGA Junior League 13u

The PGA Junior League provides players of all skill levels with the opportunity to be a part of a team and play golf in an environment that is fun and competitive. The league is designed to make learning the game of golf fun for players 13 years of age and younger. The Scramble format ensures that no one player will have to shoulder all the pressure on any given shot. At 1757, we feature a multi-tee structure to ensure that players are competing against other players of similar skill set from yardages that permit good scoring opportunities and maximize fun. The goal is to provide an environment that is competitive for the advanced player and developmental for the beginning or novice player.

League Format

The 1757 PGA Junior League features 8 to 12 teams and two divisions, Legends Division and Masters Division. Each division will be comprised of 4-6 teams. The teams will play a round robin schedule against the other teams in their division for a total of six matches per team. The top two teams from each division will qualify for the playoff. The matches will be played on Monday and Thursday evenings, starting at 5:00 pm. The practice range will open at 4:30 pm to allow the players to warm up for the match. The format for PGA Junior League is a two-person scramble. The matches will span 9 holes, consisting of 3 flags. Every three holes make up 1 flag. After three holes, one player sits out and the alternate will come in to play. The player sitting out the 2nd flag with the alternate. The goal is for each team member to play a minimum of 6 holes per match. Any pairings that have only two players will play all 9 holes.

Assessment & Team Selection

1757 will hold our annual assessments the 1st and 2nd weekend in March. (See important dates attachment). **ALL Players participating in the 1757 PGA Junior League are required to participate in the assessment process.** The assessment will provide the basis for team placement and the team divisions. The players will be divided up so that a good mixture of experience is distributed evenly amongst the eight to twelve teams. The idea is to build the teams evenly to create a fun yet competitive league. Assessments will be conducted on 3 separate days in March in effort to accommodate busy schedules. Players are only required to attend one day of the assessments.

Team Makeup

Each team will contain multiple tee groups, a **Red Tees**, **Pentagon Tees** and a **Circle Tees**. At the conclusion of the assessment process, each player will be given a ranking: A, B, C or D. The purpose of the ranking system is to allow for a balancing of the teams and to ensure that players are playing from the correct set of tees and against other players of similar skill sets. **These rankings will be used by the coaches for team selection only. They will not be published.** The ranking system works as follows:

- A: Player who competes in AJGA, US Kids, MAPGA, etc. These players possess a working knowledge of the game and can comfortably play their own ball for 9 holes.
- B: Player who possess the distance to play from our Red forward tees. Player should also have a working knowledge of how to play golf without parental assistance. (New Players 12 years or older will fall into this category)
- C: Player has PGA Junior League experience but does not yet possess the skill set or distance to allow them to comfortably play from the Red tees. Player is comfortable assisting teammates with strategy and pre-shot routines.
- D: Players who are brand new to PGA Junior League and have not learned the basics of the game of golf. Typically younger players fall in this category.

Red Tees & Pentagon Tees:

Players who rank as A will play from the Red Tees. B players will play either from Red Tees or Pentagon Tees depending on Driving Distance. The players in this grouping will be asked to walk all 9 holes and operate completely independent of their parents. We ask that the players not ride in spectator carts during the matches even when not playing. A player who is not playing may place their clubs on a spectator cart for that flag. The purpose of PGA Junior League is to teach players to be a part of a team and learn to communicate with their teammates. We also want players to develop an understanding of golf strategy and the rules of golf.

Circle Tees:

Players who rank as C and D players will play from the **Circle Tees**. The **Circle Tees** Grouping will play from our PGA Jr. League Circle Tee markers that will be placed in the fairways. The **Circle Tee** Grouping is considered our developmental group. Parent involvement is encouraged in effort to manage pace of play and to help educate the players on the basics of playing the game. Players in this group are encouraged to walk with teammates during play on the holes, however, players may ride in spectator carts in effort to maintain pace of play. Players clubs may ride at all

times. We ask that parents refrain from coaching their players on their swings. Players will be taught in practices how to mark their balls, set up for shots etc. Parents may help with locating balls, club selections and yardages.

Registration

To register, please go online to our website 1757golfclub.com or go directly to: (www.PGAJLG.com & search for our zip code; 20166)

The cost for this year's PGA Junior League will be **\$510**. This covers the League Membership Fee (\$110) and all costs associated with the PGA Junior League except for the Traveling All Star Teams. All registrations must be completed and paid on the PGA Junior League website or using the link to the PGA website once it's provided. Please be sure and fill out the registration completely making sure to include jersey size. In effort to avoid having to reorder jerseys, please consider going up a size. Keep in mind girls sizes tend to run small. The jerseys will be sent to us as ordered during registration. The \$110 fee will is a one time fee paid on the website and this will secure your registration for the 2024 PGA Junior League Season. You will no longer have to pay a separate fee for our Fall League. When you go in to register for Fall, it will only be the coaching fee. Should you have any questions, please email sholmes@heritagegolfgroup.com or call the studio at (703) 444-0901.

*Players who will turn 14 years of age prior to August 1st, 2023 will be allowed to participate in the regular season, but will <u>NOT</u> be eligible for the Traveling All Star Teams. In order to register, add a year to the player's birthdate. 14 year olds also have the option of playing in our 17u League. (Please contact me if you would like information on the older league.)

*It is recommended that players have had some formal golf instruction and be at least 7 years of age before participating in PGA Junior League. If you are in doubt as to your player's ability, feel free to attend the assessment prior to registering and we will help with making this determination.

2025 Post Season

The post season will be comprised of 2 separate events: League Championship and the Traveling All Star Team(s). The variety of events allow all players to have an opportunity to participate in a post season event. A description and qualifications for the post season events are laid out in detail below:

1757 League Championship

The top two teams in each division will compete against one another in a playoff match. The top two teams will be based on their records within their respective divisions. If additional measures are required, we will go to head to head matches or possibly to a scorecard playoff. The winners of the two playoff matches will compete for the League Championship. Medals will be awarded to the top team in each division and to the League Champions.

1757 Traveling All Stars

1757 is home to a nationally recognized All Star Program. The 1757 All Stars have won the Middle Atlantic Section Championship 7 of the past 8 seasons, six in a row. They have made 7 Regional Championship appearances, finishing 1st in 2018, 2023 & 2024 and advancing to the PGA Jr. League National Championship.

There will be a tryout process for the Traveling All Star Team. All Star events will begin in early May and run throughout the Summer. I will be sending out detail information on the Traveling All Star process in April. Please let me know if you are interested in learning more about this process and the teams.