

Section VIII Boys Golf Overview

Fall 2023

Below are the conference alignments for the Fall 2023. All conferences will play each school twice. All student athletes must compete in a minimum of 8 out of 12 (75%) matches in order to be eligible for postseason play. Conference champs are determined by best record in each conference. If teams finish with the same record, the first tiebreaker is head-to-head matchups. Second tiebreaker is the team with the lowest team handicap differential.

10 teams will be qualifying for post season matches including the 6 conference winners (from fall & spring) and the next 4 teams (two from fall & spring seasons) with the lowest team scoring average, which is based on the sum of the best 5 qualifying averages. All 10 teams will be ranked 1-10 based on lowest handicap as a team. Teams ranked 1-6 will compete on the 1st day of the County tournament @ Bethpage. A 9-hole playoff match will be held @ Bethpage, date and course TBA for the final 2 spots. 7vs10 & 8vs9, with the 2 winning teams advancing. Top 4 teams after day 1 will advance to day 2 of the championship. Possible 5th team will advance **ONLY** if they are within 15 strokes of the leader.

Stroke averages will be determined using a formula that will include slope rating for each golf course to consider differences in difficulty of the various courses played. Boys who qualify as a team member with an adjusted score above the qualifying score will not be included in the individual championship. Teams that have girls play with the boy's team because their schools do not have a girls team, would be allowed to use their stroke differential handicap to qualify as an individual in a girl's tournament. The differential is based on playing from the white tees instead of the reds.

Fall County Alignment

Conference 4	Conference 5	Conference 6
Massapequa	East Meadow	Roslyn
Bethpage	Garden City	Cold Spring Harbor
Farmingdale	Southside	Locust Valley
Plainedge	Wantagh	Herricks
Levittown	Oceanside	Carle Place
Island Trees	Mineola	Glen Cove
Clarke	Freeport	Sewanhaka District

Season Start Date: August 28, 2023 Last Play Date: November 5, 2023

Boys Golf Committee 2023

Anthony Brancato Golf Coordinator Carey High School

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Conference Coordinators

Conference 1 *Spring* Jay Kreutzberger Mepham Conference 2 *Spring* Dean Strohmeyer Syosset Conference 3 *Spring* Mike Ambury Plainview Conference 4 *Fall* Dave Radtke Levittown Conference 5 *Fall* Matthew Muscmeci Mineola Conference 6 *Fall* Bob Gerula Roslyn

Championships

The Nassau County Championship will be held at Bethpage State Park in Spring

Dates: TBA

Site: Bethpage Golf Club- Blue day 1 and Red day 2

Rain date: NONE

Time: Day 1: 7:00 am - Blue Course

Day 2: 8:00 am - Red Course

The Long Island Championship will be hosted by TBA

Date: TBA Site: Bethpage Time: TBA

Tentative Conference Schedules

Conference 4 Match

Schedule DATES TBA

1@6. 4@2. 2@7. 5@3. 3@1. 6@4. 7@5 2@5. 5@1. 3@6. 6@2. 6@2. 7@3. 1@4 3@4. 6@7. 4@5. 7@1. 5@6. 1@2. 2@3 7-bye. 3-bye 1-bye 4-bye 2-bye 5-bye 6-bye

DATES TBA

6@1. 2@4. 7@2. 3@5. 1@3. 4@6. 5@7 5@2. 1@5. 6@3. 2@6. 2@6. 3@7. 4@1 4@3.7@6. 5@4. 1@7. 1@7. 2@1. 3@2 7-bye 3-bye 1-bye 4-bye 2bye 5-bye 6-bye Bethpage-1, Clarke-2, Farmingdale-3, Levittown-4 Massapequa-5, Island Trees-6, Plainedge-7

Conference 5 Match Schedule DATES TBA

1@6. 4@2. 2@7. 5@3. 3@1. 6@4. 7@5 2@5. 5@1. 3@6. 6@2. 6@2. 7@3. 1@4 3@4. 6@7. 4@5. 7@1. 5@6. 1@2. 2@3 7-bye. 3-bye 1-bye 4-bye 2-bye 5-bye 6-bye DATES TBA 6@1. 2@4. 7@2. 3@5. 1@3. 4@6. 5@7 5@2. 1@5. 6@3. 2@6. 2@6. 3@7. 4@1 4@3.7@6. 5@4. 1@7. 1@7. 2@1. 3@2 7-bye 3-bye 1-bye 4-bye 2bye 5-bye 6-bye Garden City-1, South Side-2, Oceanside-3, Mineola-4 Wantagh-5, East Meadow-6, Freeport-7

Conference 6 Match Schedule

DATES TBA

1@6. 4@2. 2@7. 5@3. 3@1. 6@4. 7@5 2@5. 5@1. 3@6. 6@2. 6@2. 7@3. 1@4 3@4. 6@7. 4@5. 7@1. 5@6. 1@2. 2@3 7-bye. 3-bye 1-bye 4-bye 2-bye 5-bye 6-bye

DATES TBA

6@1. 2@4. 7@2. 3@5. 1@3. 4@6. 5@7 5@2. 1@5. 6@3. 2@6. 2@6. 3@7. 4@1 4@3.7@6. 5@4. 1@7. 1@7. 2@1. 3@2 7-bye 3-bye 1-bye 4-bye 2bye 5-bye 6-bye

Cold Spring Harbor-1, Roslyn-2, Locust Valley-3, Glen Cove-4 Sewanhaka District-5, Carle Place-6, Herricks-7

Player Code of Conduct

- It is expected that all players demonstrate knowledge of the USGA Rules of Golf, proper golf course etiquette, that they always display good sportsmanship and that all coaches support this expectation.
- Players should understand that they represent their schools each time they play. They are expected to wear shirts with collars and tucked in. golf Shoes or sneakers and slacks (no jeans or cargo pants/shorts). Golf shorts can be worn if the golf course rules permit. Hats should be worn straight.
- During matches or team practices, players will refrain from cursing, throwing or breaking clubs, smoking, fighting, and intentionally distracting other players or any other unsportsmanlike conduct.
- Any violation of the rules or break in the code of conduct witnessed by a coach or golf course personnel can result in player disqualification
- Grounds for disqualification are listed in the USGA Rule of Golf Any player not finishing there round, for any reason will be disqualified
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- The use of USGA conforming rangefinders is permitted (Measuring distance only) - The use of smart phones is not permitted

Matches/Scoring

- All matches must be played from tee boxes between 3100 and 3400 yards All league matches are nine holes and will be scored using stroke play according to USGA rules
- Six players from each school comprise a team. However, a team may compete with **Five** players.
- Coaches will list their players 1 thru 6, strongest to weakest and opposing numbers go head-to-head
- If playing with Five, player number 6 is considered a forfeit
- Each head to head match is worth 1 point toward the team point score (½ point each for ties)
- At the completion of the match, three additional points are awarded to the team with the lowest five-man total score
- Matches are worth a total of 9 points
- In event of a tie (4 ½ 4 ½) add all 6 scores and compare totals
- If this doesn't break the tie, the match is officially scored a tie
- A three-way match will only be counted once toward individual and team strok statistics, but will count as two matches on the W/L record
- Players are responsible for entering hole-by-hole scores while coaches (the scoring committee) are responsible for the addition. USGA Rule 6-b and 33-5

Incomplete matches

- If four of the six matches reach completion, an official match will be declared, and a winner established according to the following scoring procedures
- If four of the six matches have completed, and the remaining two matches have finished a minimum of 6 holes, six points will be awarded for the individual matches. The completed matches will score under normal procedures; the incomplete matches will be scored thru the last completed hole. Each team's cumulative score for the four completed matches will determine which team will be awarded the 3 points for total team score.
- If four of the six have completed, and the remaining two matches have not completed a minimum of 6 holes, the match will be determined based on the four completed matches.
 - One point will be awarded for each match for a total of 4 points. Team score based on a sum of four matches for a total of 3 points for a combined total of 7 points.
- Players will not be penalized for participating in incomplete matches when it comes to qualifying for the county tournament. Coaches must make the records keeper aware of incomplete matches.

- Incomplete matches will be used to determine a team's won-loss record. They will not be used for adjusted team scores.

Coaches' Responsibility

- Home coach is responsible for bringing the AED to the course
- Visiting coach must call the home coach the night before to confirm; a meeting time and place, number of golfers to bring
- Coaches must check with the courses on match days to ensure playability Coaches must agree on course rules or ground rules prior to each match Coaches must ensure matches are played from appropriate tees confirming the distance requirements (3100-3400)
- Home coach should collect and save all official signed scorecards
- After each match, both coaches must review, tally, agree and sign official score sheet Coaches must report and record their own players scores into their conference golf spreadsheet
- The winning coach must report the match results to Newsday online.

Qualifying for the County Championship/Awards for the Year - 72

golfers from the fall and spring season will qualify for the county tournament. 36 from each of the fall and the spring

- Players finishing in the top 10 in both fall and spring according to their adjusted scoring averages will earn All-County Honors, and Players advancing to day two of the tournament will also all earn All-County Status
- Players finishing in places 11-20 in both fall and spring according to their adjusted scoring averages will earn All-County Honorable Mention Honors
- Remaining players who have qualified for the county tournament based on their adjusted averages will earn All-Conference Honors

Qualifying as A Team

- Stroke averages will be determined using a formula that will include a slope rating for each golf course to take into account differences in difficulty of the various courses played. Boys who qualify as a team member with an adjusted score above the qualifying score will not be included in the individual championship
- Conference champs are determined by best record in each conference
- If teams have the same record, the first tie breaker is head-to-head matchups Second Tie breaker is the team with the lowest team handicap differential

Qualifying as An Individual

- Individual players must compete in, and post score in 70% of the teams matches (i.e. 8 out of 12)
- All players who have played in the required number of matches will be listed from

lowest to highest adjusted stroke average

- The lowest 36 handicap golfers from both spring and fall (72 total) will compete in the county tournament
- No team can qualify more than six players
- The top 9 players after day 2 will make the state team that will represent Nassau County at the State Tournament. They 10th player will be named as an alternate and will travel and compete in the state tournament only if one of the top 9 players cannot compete
- In case of ties, extra playoff holes may be needed to determine final places and the alternate.
- The Team Championship will be determined by the best two-day total after dropping the highest score each day
- If there is a tie in the team totals after day two, the 6th score will be added from day 2. If still tied, the 6th score from day 1 will be added
- The winner of the team championship will compete in an 18-hole match against Suffolk County Champion for the Long Island Championship

Long Island Championship

- The Nassau County Championship team will play Suffolk County Champion in an 18-hole stroke play match
- We will consider an 18-hole individual stroke play match with top 10 Nassau players from county championship vs the top 10 Suffolk players from their county championship (In Lieu of the NYS Championship)

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