

# CONNECTICUT INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

## 2009 GOLF TOURNAMENT

### ALERT PAGE

#### 1. USGA HANDICAP FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND FACULTY

The CIAC Golf Committee, in partnership with the Connecticut State Golf Association, is pleased to provide a USGA handicap system for students, teachers and administrators. Log on to [www.csgalinks.org](http://www.csgalinks.org) – click on “Become a Member,” fill out the profile information and it’s that easy. There is NO COST for students below the age of 18.

#### 2. CIAC GOLF COACHES PRE-SEASON CLINIC

CIAC will host a high school golf coaches clinic on Thursday, March 19, 2009 at the CAS-CIAC office, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in Conference Room C-2.

Representatives from Connecticut PGA, CSGA, Exercise Therapy and the CIAC Golf Committee are planning an informative evening that no coach should miss. There is NO COST for this event, but ON-LINE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED – [www.casciac.org/register](http://www.casciac.org/register)

#### 3. INDIVIDUALS MAY QUALIFY FOR THE CIAC GOLF TOURNAMENT

If a school’s team does not qualify, it may enter any golfer for individual honors, provided the golfer has attained an average score of the course rating, plus five (5) strokes or less per 9 holes for boys and 10 strokes or less for 9 holes for girls. This must be an average of the best ten (10) varsity scores attained on Connecticut State Golf Association approved courses, and must be attested to by the golf coach. This average must be certified by his/her principal. Of these, the top eight (8) will qualify as individuals.

**Girls who play for a boys team from the boys tees will have their average course rating adjusted using the women’s rating adjustment table from the USGA.**

See [www.usga.org/playing/handicaps/manual/tables/section5womensadjusttees.html](http://www.usga.org/playing/handicaps/manual/tables/section5womensadjusttees.html)

**Girls who participate on boys’ teams, because the school does not offer a girls program in that sport, may enter either the boys or the girls tournament, but not both. Girls who choose to participate on a boys’ team when the school offers a girls’ team in that sport, may only enter the boys’ tournament.**

#### 4. WEATHER DELAY / SUSPENSION / POSTPONEMENT – Teams/individuals should come prepared to withstand weather delays. Further, it is to be clearly understood by all that the managers of the courses make the decisions about play or no play; the tournament director does not have control over any aspect of that decision.

Teams / individuals should also be prepared for the tournament to be suspended from an 18 hole event to a nine hole event should conditions warrant that. Every effort will be made to complete play on the scheduled date – so come prepared.

#### 5. ACCOMMODATIONS

The CIAC Golf Committee will make reasonable accommodations for disabled athletes in our tournament. Please alert the tournament director with such requests.

#### 6. **No electronic distance measuring devices will be allowed in any tournament play.**

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PLAY AND RULES FOR 2009 GOLF SEASON

To maintain uniformity in interscholastic golf competition, the following stroke play format must be used by every CIAC school which wishes to qualify for the 2009 State Golf Tournament.

1. Stroke play is to be used for all matches.
2. A maximum of four (4) players' scores count for any one match. This may include invitational tournaments where the entire team plays. Teams may play five (5) players and count the four (4) lowest scores towards state tournament qualification.
3. The CIAC Golf Committee recommends the use of the state qualifying format for all matches. Low score wins.

Dates to Remember

First Practice Date	Monday, March 23, 2009
First Match Date	Wednesday, April 8, 2009
Last Match Date for Girls/Boys	Wednesday, June 3, 2009
Tournament Forms Due for Girls/Boys	Wednesday, June 3, 2009
State Tournament:	
Girls Division	Tuesday, June 9, 2009
Division I - II, III, IV	Mon/Tues, June 8 or 9, 2009
New England Tournament	Monday, June 15, 2009
Maximum Number of Playing Dates	16
Matches Per Week on Original Schedule	3

**\*\*\* REMINDER: Proper golf attire, spikeless golf shoes, shirts with collars, golf shorts and slacks -- is mandatory for all players. Walking or Bermuda shorts are permitted. The inseam of the shorts must be at least four inches. Players may wear slacks or shorts at the individual's discretion. No tennis, gym, or cut-off shorts will be allowed. Denim is not considered appropriate attire. HATS WITH VISORS MUST FACE FORWARD AT ALL TIMES.**

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**75th ANNUAL BOYS GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GIRLS GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
\*\* Limited to Members of the Conference \*\*

*Girls Division -- June 9, 2009 -- Orange Hill Country Club*  
*Division I -- June 9, 2009 -- Fairview Farms, Harwinton*  
*Division II -- June 8, 2009 -- Tallwood Country Club, Hebron*  
*Division III -- June 8, 2009 -- Timberlin Golf Club, Kensington*  
*Division IV -- June 8, 2009 -- Crestbrook Park, Watertown*

The Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference Golf Championship will consist of four tournaments of eighteen (18) holes for boys and one 18-hole tournament for girls. The team with the lowest total score will be awarded the championship in each division. The second lowest score in each division will be considered the runner-up. In the event of a tie for first place, a 3-hole playoff will be held to determine the championship team.

To qualify:

- Division I -- Schools with 715 and over
- Division II -- Schools with 496 - 714
- Division III -- Schools with 321 - 495
- Division IV -- Schools with up to 320

(Based on grades 9-12 boy enrollment as of 2007-08)

Girls Division -- Schools listed

1. **A TEAM MUST PLAY A MINIMUM SCHEDULE OF TEN (10) VARSITY PLAYING DATES AGAINST CIAC SCHOOLS.**
2. A team consists of five (5) players, each of which is considered an individual honors entrant. If a team wishes, they may bring only four. **Champions in each division shall be determined by the best four of five scores.**
- 3.a. A **boys team** must be one of a maximum of 20 ranked teams whose rankings will be determined as follows: Teams meeting qualification 1 and 2 above will be ranked on the basis of their average difference of strokes from the average rating of courses played from APRIL 8, 2009 THROUGH JUNE 3, 2009. The team with the lowest average difference from its average rating will be ranked #1; the team with the next lowest average difference #2, etc. Teams tying for the twentieth place will qualify.
- b. A **girls team** must be one of a maximum of fifteen (15) ranked teams whose rankings will be determined as follows: Teams meeting qualification 1 and 2 above will be ranked on the basis of their average difference of strokes from the average rating of courses played from APRIL 8, 2009 through June 3, 2009. The team with the lowest average difference from its average rating will be ranked #1; the team with the next lowest average difference #2, etc. Teams tying for 15th place will qualify.

Note: **An individual girl** may play as a non-scoring member of her home school's boys team if granted permission to do so by the coach of that team. In such cases, the girl would play with the team's #5 boy player and have her score attested accordingly. The purpose is to provide an additional opportunity for individual girl players to participate in matches for tournament qualifying.

4. Matches played after June 3 for girls and boys will not count toward qualification for the tournament. No exception will be made for postponed matches.
5. The last date to count for tournament ranking purposes will be the day prior to the pairings. Pairings will be held on Thursday, June 4, 2009.
6. The scores made in any match will count only once for tournament qualification. **FOR QUALIFICATION, ALL MATCHES PLAYED WITHIN THE SEASON LIMITATION DATES MUST BE REPORTED. ONE SCORE PER DATE – MAXIMUM 16 DATES / MINIMUM 10 DATES FOR QUALIFICATION. PLEASE PUT IN THE DATE AND THE SCORE.**

7. **Qualification will be based on the BEST TEN (10) varsity scores of ALL playing dates. Teams that play 18 hole matches must submit scores for the first 9 holes played only. ALL TEAM SCORES MUST BE SUBMITTED.**
8. The first 16 match dates played count for tournament ranking, regardless of the original schedule.
9. At its meeting on November 16, 1995, the CIAC Board of Control approved for CIAC golfers the opportunity to participate in a maximum of four (4) matches as “unattached players”. These matches must conform to weekly limitations and all other “CIAC unattached” regulations as stated in the CIAC Handbook. At its meeting on December 14, 2002, the CIAC Board of Control approved a girls tournament with one division playing for a state championship.

### INDIVIDUALS MAY QUALIFY!

If a school's team does not qualify, it may enter any golfer for individual honors, provided the golfer has attained an average score of the course rating, plus five (5) strokes or less per 9 holes. For girls 10 strokes or less for 9 holes. This must be an average of the best ten (10) varsity scores attained on Connecticut State Golf Association Approved Courses, and must be attested to by the golf coach. This average must be certified by his principal. Of these, the top eight (8) will qualify as individuals. **Girls who play for a boys team from the boys tees will have their average course rating adjusted using the women’s rating adjustment table from the USGA web site – [www.usga.org/playing/handicaps/manual/tables/section5womensadjusttees.html](http://www.usga.org/playing/handicaps/manual/tables/section5womensadjusttees.html)** Please see appendix A for conversions.

A school should enter either a team or as many individuals that qualify. Each of the team entries is eligible for individual honors.

Plaques will be given to the winning school and the runner-up school in each division. Medals will be awarded to the winning team members and the winning individual player and the runner-up in each division. In the event of a tie for a team championship, a three-hole aggregate score playoff will be used to determine the champion. If this does not resolve the championship, **co-champions will be declared.** In the event of a tie for individual honors, duplicate medals will be awarded to each individual involved in the tie.

Teams must have a coach or bona fide faculty member as advisor with them. **COACHES OR OTHER FACULTY MEMBERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PLAY THE COURSE. COACHES OR OTHER FACULTY MEMBERS ACCOMPANYING TEAMS SHALL ACCEPT MARSHALING ASSIGNMENTS AS ASSIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE/SITE DIRECTOR.**

Any individual entering the tournament shall have a faculty member with him as an advisor. Another advisor from a school in competition may act in this capacity as long as the tournament chairman is so advised **IN WRITING IN ADVANCE.** UNACCOMPANIED TEAMS OR INDIVIDUALS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

Contestants must conform in every respect to the eligibility rules of the Conference and be vouched for by the signature of the principal of the school. **FINAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE TRANSMITTING OF THE COMPLETED ENTRY FORM RESTS SOLELY WITH THE COACH.**

Schools will bear their own expenses going to and from the tournament.

**CONTESTANTS MUST REPORT AT 7:30 A.M., D.S.T., AT THE TOURNAMENT SITE UNLESS NOTIFIED OF A DEFINITE STARTING TIME.**

U.S.G.A. and local rules will govern the Tournament.

No practice or play will be allowed on the tournament course, except on the putting green or practice fairway (if available) on the day of the tournament. No caddies or caddy wagons are allowed unless granted a waiver by the CIAC Golf Committee. Coaches are not permitted to accompany team members of his/her team on the course.

## **BOYS NEW ENGLAND INDIVIDUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT:**

*To Qualify* -- The top two (2) boys and ties from CIAC Division I, II, III, and IV will represent Connecticut in the New England Individual Golf Tournament. If one or more cannot participate -- we will select the next boy from that division.

The New England Individual Golf Tournament will be held at Bretwood Golf Club North Course, Keene, New Hampshire on Monday, June 15, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. All information pertaining to the New England's will be handed to the individual golfers representing Connecticut at their division tournament.

## **GIRLS NEW ENGLAND INDIVIDUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT:**

*Eligibility* -- Girls listed on the school's golf team eligibility form will be eligible to compete in the Girls New England Tournament which will be conducted in conjunction with the Division I, II, III and IV CIAC Golf Tournaments. **The top seven (7) from the CIAC girls championship will qualify.**

**To Qualify** -- Any girl competing in the CIAC Division I, II, III or IV golf tournament on a boys team will have her score considered for possible advancement to the New England Tournament. Individuals may qualify provided she has attained an average score of the course rating, plus ten (10) strokes or less per 9 holes for all dates played. ***This must be an average of at least ten (10) scores attained on Connecticut State Golf Association approved courses, and must be attested to by the golf coach.*** Of these the top six (6) will qualify as individuals and play in this New England Qualifier. **NOTE: The plus ten strokes per nine holes calculated using the women's tees. Girls using men's tees will be granted additional strokes in accordance with the course ratings for men versus women (3.0).**

**Matches played after Wednesday, June 3, 2009 will not count towards qualifications for the New England Tournament.** Tournament rosters must be submitted to the CIAC by June 3, 2009.

The New England Individual Golf Tournament will be held at Bretwood Golf Club North Course, Keene, New Hampshire on Monday, June 16, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. All information pertaining to the New England's will be handed to the individual golfers representing Connecticut at their division tournament.

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To help minimize the loss of school time for golfers and coaches, we recommend the following:

- a. All practice sessions (including before matches) should be after school hours.
- b. Establish starting times for home matches with the principal and athletic director. (These should be after school wherever possible.)
- c. Student-athletes are responsible for any and all work missed due to athletic events. Teachers should know if any early dates are required for athletic events.
- d. TEAMS SHOULD SCHEDULE TO MINIMIZE LOSS OF SCHOOL TIME FOR AWAY MATCHES.  
*Example* -- Schedule three (3) matches the week of school vacation, league matches should be scheduled during daylight savings hour.
- e. Limit the number of tournaments the team may enter. This should be established between principal, coach and athletic director.
- f. Point out to all parties involved the problem of finding courses to play. Golf is one of the few if not the only sport that is not played on school property. Schools are often subject to the rules and regulations of municipal or private clubs. Try to emphasize to coaches and golf course managers the problems we are faced with and urge them to make necessary adjustments to insure that later starting times when necessary for some schools be made available.
- g. Individual leagues determine the starting time for home matches.
- h. Playing in the state tournament is an all day affair, but it is also representing your school on a state level and the competition is the thrill of a lifetime and limited to the top twenty (20) teams for boys in Division I, II, III and IV and top fifteen (15) teams for girls.

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2009 CIAC GOLF TOURNAMENT DIVISIONS

**Division I - 715 and over** (38)

Bridgeport Central	1141
Bridgeport - Warren Harding	773
Bristol Central	782
Cheshire	859
Danbury	1390
East Hartford	1014
Fairfield Prep	893
Farmington	718
Glastonbury	1022
Greenwich	1404
Hamden	1119
Hartford - Bulkeley	763
Hartford Public	820
Manchester	1007
Middletown - Xavier	897
Naugatuck	755
New Britain	1616
New Haven - Wilbur Cross	891
New Milford	806
Newington	791
Newtown	857
Norwalk	808
Norwalk - Brien McMahon	852
Norwich Free Academy	1160
Ridgefield	854
Shelton	895
Simsbury	841
South Windsor	861
Southbury - Pomperaug	715
Southington	1092
Stamford	901
Stamford - Westhill	1148
Trumbull	1001
West Hartford - Conard	715
West Hartford - Wm. Hall	790
Westport - Staples	908
Windsor	816
Woodbridge - Amity	816

No Team

West Haven (918)

**Division II - 496 - 714** (42)

Avon	535
Bethel	511
Berlin	566
Branford	586
Bridgeport - Bassick	703
Bristol Eastern	616
Brookfield	540
Colchester - Bacon Academy	522
Darien	595
East Haven	547
East Lyme	632
Enfield - Enrico Fermi	568
Fairfield - Ludlowe	660
Fairfield Warde	593
Groton - Fitch	684
Guilford	563
Hartford - Weaver	645
Hebron - RHAM	531
Madison - Daniel Hand	640
Meriden - Maloney	579
Meriden - Platt	591
Middletown	665
Milford - Jonathan Law	522
Milford - Platt Tech.	583
Monroe - Masuk	712
New Canaan	645
New Haven - Hillhouse	619
North Haven	650
Storrs - E. O. Smith	571
Stratford - Bunnell	678
Torrington	664
Vernon - Rockville	565
Wallingford - Lyman Hall	553
Wallingford - Sheehan	496
Waterbury - Crosby	668
Waterbury - Kennedy	630
Waterbury - Wilby	613
West Haven - Notre Dame	671
Wethersfield	614
Wilton	650
Windham	516
Woodstock Academy	577

No Team

New Fairfield (501)

**Division III - 321 - 495** (43)

Ansonia	381
Ansonia - O'Brien Tech.	354
Beacon Falls - Woodland Reg.	423
Bloomfield	321
Bridgeport - Bullard Havens	431
Burlington - Lewis Mills	389
Danbury - Abbott Tech.	395
Ellington	394
Enfield	485
Granby Memorial	416
Griswold	377
Groton - Grasso Southeastern Tech.	341
Higganum - Haddam-Killingworth	376
Killingly	372
Killingly - Ellis Tech.	406
Ledyard	492
Manchester - Cheney Tech.	483
Manchester - East Catholic	394
Meriden - Wilcox Tech.	438
Middletown - Vinal Tech.	429
Milford - Foran	458
Montville	403
New London	448
North Branford	370
Plainfield	448
Plainville	480
Redding - Joel Barlow	470
Rocky Hill	385
Seymour	421
Stonington	421
Stratford	471
Suffield	390
Tolland	430
Torrington - Wolcott Tech.	415
Trumbull - St. Joseph	395
Waterbury - Holy Cross	396
Waterbury - Kaynor Tech.	443
Waterford	482
Watertown	486
Weston	390
Winsted - N.W. Reg.	375
Wolcott	476
Woodbury - Nonnewaug	383

**Division IV - up to 320** (44)

Bolton	129
Bristol - St. Paul	133
Canton	278
Chaplin - Parish Hill	85
Clinton - Morgan School	304
Coventry	291
Cromwell	269
Danbury - Immaculate	234
Deep River - Valley Reg.	307
Durham - Coginchaug	290
East Granby	135
East Haddam - Hale Ray	208
East Hampton	275
East Windsor	229
Fairfield - Notre Dame	291
Falls Village - Housatonic Valley	290
Hartford - A.I. Prince Tech.	266
Hartford - Capital Prep. Magnet	62
Hartford - Classical	127
Lebanon - Lyman Memorial	276
Litchfield	215
New Britain - Goodwin Tech.	265
New Haven - Career	271
No. Stonington - Wheeler	122
Norwich Tech.	294
Old Lyme	231
Old Saybrook	247
Oxford	144
Portland	180
Putnam	183
Somers	278
Stamford - Trinity Catholic	244
Stafford	259
Terryville	304
Thomaston	205
Thompson - Tourtellotte	195
Uncasville - St. Bernard	198
Washington - Shepaug Valley	194
Waterbury - Sacred Heart	213
West Hartford - N.W. Catholic	307
Westbrook	164
Windham Tech.	315
Windsor Locks	318
Winsted - Gilbert School	202

**No Team - S**

Kolbe-Cathedral, Bridgeport (124)
Derby (230)
Eli Whitney Tech., Hamden (258)
Sport Science, Hartford (172)
University, Hartford (205)
Wamogo Reg., Litchfield (189)
Hyde Leadership, New Haven (177)
Stamford Academy (82)
Wright Tech, Stamford (148)

SCHOOLS WITH GIRLS GOLF TEAMS  
Spring 2009

Ladies Division (48)

Avon	New Britain
Berlin	New Canaan
Burlington - Lewis Mills	Newington
Canton	Brien McMahon/Norwalk Co-op
Chaplin - Parish Hill	Norwich Free Academy
Cheshire	Oxford
Colchester - Bacon Academy	Ridgefield
Danbury	Rocky Hill
Darien	Simsbury
Ellington	Stratford - Bunnell
Fairfield - Ludlowe	Suffield
Fairfield - Notre Dame Catholic	Trumbull
Fairfield - Warde	Trumbull - St. Joseph
Farmington	Uncasville - St. Bernard
Glastonbury	Wallingford - Lyman Hall
Greenwich	West Hartford - Conard
Higganum - Haddam Killingworth	West Hartford - N.W. Catholic
Manchester	Weston
Manchester - East Catholic	Westport - Staples
Meriden - Maloney	Wethersfield
Middletown	Wilton
Middletown - Mercy	Woodstock Academy
Milford - Luralton Hall	
Milford - Jonathan Law	
Monroe - Masuk	
Montville	

**2009 GOLF SCHEDULE** -- Must be submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center.

Game results must be submitted on a weekly basis (scores for all matches through a Saturday must be entered no later than the following Monday) via the password-protected online eligibility center. Regardless of regular season postponed matches, the date of Wednesday, June 3, 2009 must be the final day to count for the tournament for both boys and girls golf teams.

Minimum number of varsity playing dates is ten (10) in order to qualify for CIAC tournament. Both team and individuals.

Member schools must make every effort to complete their season as scheduled, including make-up games. Any effort to gain an advantage in tournament play by not playing a game is unacceptable and is subject to action by the CIAC board of control. Cancellation of any regular season contest/make-up to play in a league tournament will not be allowed.

### **CIAC LATE FEE POLICY**

- No tournament entries will be accepted after the established deadline except those approved by the CIAC Board of Control.
- Corrections requested by a school to an entry form that was submitted by the established deadline but prior to seeding/pairing data being published on the web site, will be assessed a fee of \$50 per correction to a maximum of \$250.
- All requests for corrections must be submitted on a support ticket via the online eligibility center. **No phone request will be considered.**

**TOURNAMENT REGULATION VIOLATIONS** – If a school fails to comply with tournament regulations and such requires the CIAC tournament sports committee, central office staff, or the CIAC board of control to redo any portion of the tournament pairings or such non-compliance adversely impacts the management of the tournament, an administrative violation fee of \$500 will be imposed upon the school before entry into the tournament will be allowed.

**TOURNAMENT ROSTERS** -- Must be submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center by June 3 for both boys and girls teams and/or individuals.

Scores of varsity matches played and rating of courses played on June 3 must be reported via the password-protected online eligibility center by June 4 at 9:00 a.m.

The golf committee will meet on Thursday, June 4 at 2:30 p.m. to draw up pairings for the girls and boys tournaments. All pairings will be put on the CIAC web site for all teams after 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2009 All qualifiers will be given a starting time, individual and team.

If the school team does not qualify and any team member does qualify, please indicate under entry - individual the golfer(s) to participate as individuals. The appropriate entry fee will be taken from the team entry fee and the balance returned to the school.

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**An individual girl may play as a non-scoring member of her home school's boys team if granted permission to do so by the coach of that team. In such cases, the girl would play with the team's #5 boy player and have her score attested accordingly. The purpose is to provide an additional opportunity for individual girl players to participate in matches for tournament qualifying.**

List varsity matches played in order of play -- Use course rating for specific 9 holes played -- Minimum of 10 playing dates required to qualify for CIAC tournament. List scores for ALL playing dates.

It is recommended that any individual that has a course rating average differential of 5.0 or less -- individual entry form should be included with the team entry form.

**ENTRY FEE** -- \$100 per team or \$20 per individual qualifier. Entry fee should be mailed to the CIAC, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410. If a school needs an invoice in order to pay its tournament fee, one can be downloaded by using the "Generate Tournament Invoice" link under the golf options in the password-protected online eligibility center.

**PROPER DRESS -- REMINDER:** Proper golf attire, golf shoes, shirts with collars, including mock and turtleneck shirts, golf shorts and slacks -- is mandatory for all players. Walking or bermuda shorts are permitted. The inseam of the shorts must be at least four inches. Players may wear slacks or shorts at the individual's discretion. No tennis, gym, or cut-off shorts will be allowed. Denim is not considered appropriate attire. Hats with visors must face forward at all times.

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All tournament courses will be spikeless.

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