

Individual responsibility, honesty, integrity, and confidence are among the traits that can help a young person on the road to success.

Golf not only teaches positive life lessons, but it depends on them for its very existence. It is a game where there are no officials to call a breach of the rules, that role lies with the player.

It is a game where only the individual participants know if the score they handed in is actually the score they shot. It is also a game where the raw beginner can play a competitive match with the most seasoned expert. It is a game where life-long friendships can be made.



## The First Tee Core Values

*Courtesy*  
*Confidence*  
*Respect*

*Sportsmanship*  
*Perseverance*  
*Honesty*

*Judgment*  
*Integrity*



Summer 2009

Providing opportunities for youth to learn the game of golf and the values it teaches.





The First Tee of Western Illinois University was founded in 1999 with the purpose of providing quality golf instruction, excellent facilities, and essential life skills to the participants. Through this program and the many great opportunities it provides, we hope to make a significant impact on the youth of our community.

### ***Benefits of Participation***

Students participating in The First Tee program will:

- Learn and practice the fundamentals of the golf swing.
- Enjoy free access to the driving range, the 9-hole pitch and putt course and the putting green at the Harry Mussatto Golf Course
- Engage in a life skills curriculum developed for the student's age group by faculty members at Virginia Commonwealth University.
- Receive a First Tee membership card good for 4 free rounds of golf at the HMGC and discounted rates at area courses on selected dates.
- Develop a life long appreciation for the game of golf.

### ***Eligibility***

The First Tee program is open to students who are ages 7 through 17.

### ***The Program***

Students will meet twice weekly for 6 weeks on Monday and Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Harry Mussatto Golf Course. The program will begin on Monday, June 15 and conclude on Thursday, July 23. The students will receive golf instruction, learn life skills and gain an appreciation for the game of golf.

### ***Cost***

The cost of the 6-week program (12 sessions) is \$40 per student. Additional family members may participate for \$20 each. Scholarships are available on a limited basis to help defer the cost if necessary.

### ***Registration***

Please use the attached form to register for The First Tee Program. Completed forms and payment are **due on Friday, June 12** at the Harry Mussatto Golf Course.

### ***Equipment***

A limited number of golf clubs are available at the golf course at no charge for participants. Please make a notation on the registration form if clubs are needed. For more information, contact Lia Lukkarinen at 309-298-3676.

### ***Registration Form***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade (going into this fall): \_\_\_\_\_

Need clubs Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include the \$40 fee with the registration. The fee for each additional family member is \$20. Please use this space to add an additional name:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade (going into this fall): \_\_\_\_\_

Need clubs Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:  
**The First Tee of Western Illinois University.**

Mail to: Lia Lukkarinen

Macomb, Illinois 61455  
Harry Mussatto Golf Course  
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"The First Tee Program provides young students not only with golf lessons but also with lessons about life. By teaching students about the fundamentals of golf and the values that serve as the foundation of the game, we are preparing them to be successful in life."

Jim Miner