

A Unique Junior Golf Tour – The Accelerated Golf Tour (AGT)



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The Accelerated Golf Tour (AGT) was created twelve years ago to provide and fill the void for reasonably priced summer golf tournaments for both the collegiate and advanced high school golfers. Two separate divisions, consisting of Collegiate (Men and Women) and High School (Men and Women) playing the same golf course with yardage and course set up. We play a minimum of 6600 yards for Men and 6000 yds for Women, regardless of division.

The AGT's use of the word "accelerate", is defined by Webster's as "to get better quicker" or "to make better faster" is definitely an excellent choice of words to reinforce the mission of our tour. The AGT was developed to challenge the better and more successful high school golfers, while also exposing them to college-like "playing conditions". This will also help to keep the collegiate golfer sharp during their off season and improve their position on their college team for the following year.

High school players' experiencing college yardage and course set-up is strongly endorsed by top college Men and Women coaches from coast to coast. This is an excellent strategy to evaluate aspiring high school golfers that desire to play college golf and ultimately to receive a college scholarship. Scores posted by high school golfers playing courses with shorter yardages are not considered in college coaches evaluations.

The AGT's experienced staff takes great pride in their ability to administer and execute outstanding tournaments. Tour Director Carol Fromuth, an icon in the junior golf scene for over forty years in the midwest has developed her son and daughter into college golfers at Indiana and Ohio State. Carol has been a high school coach for boys and girls for 35 years, and has won the NFHSAA National Coach of the Year twice, 2008 and 2020. Her teams set scoring records while capturing six consecutive Missouri State Class 4 State Championships. In addition Carol has been serving as an active member on the USGA's Girls Junior Committee for 30 plus years. And furthermore she has served as a certified rules official for 15 NCAA Division 1 National Championships, something every quality tour needs.

Now in the AGT's twelfth year of existence this tour has successfully developed a unique (one of a kind) tournament format for collegiate and high school golfers to sharpen their course management skills and to prepare for their next season. If "you snooze you lose" is one of Carol's favorite quotes.

The challenging courses played by the Accelerated Golf Tour are top quality and with college-like course set-ups and yardages the players are ready to challenge their skills. Many of the courses we play, "also host college tournaments", according to Carol.

The AGT is a not for profit tour and was developed to be inviting, challenging, and very affordable. Prizes awarded consist of gift certificates in the pro shop, which are NCAA approved in Missouri and Illinois. Trophies will be awarded to winners from states which do not permit pro shop certificates. High School results are posted to both AJGA and JGS. PBE Stars will be awarded for all tournaments when player quotas are met.