

## Who is on Team Florida?

For 2027, the Florida State Team Committee will select 20 boys and 20 girls to represent the state. Athletes earn their place on the team through exceptional competitive performance during the 2026 season.

Out of the 20 boys and 20 girls selected, 8 boys and 8 girls will be named based on their points rankings. The remaining 12 boys and 12 girls will be chosen at the discretion of the Florida State Team Committee. The automatic selections will be broken down by Graduating Class as follows:

- 2027, 2028, and 2029 Graduating Classes 2 Boys and 2 Girls
- 2030 and 2031 Graduating Classes 1 Boy and 1 Girl

## **Team Selection Committee**

The Florida State Team Committee will evaluate and select athletes for Team Florida. The committee is composed of members from several organizations.

- Florida State Golf Association
- North Florida PGA Section
- South Florida PGA Section

The Committee will invite athletes to join Team Florida based on eligibility criteria and the evaluation process outlined below. Selections will be made at the Committee's sole discretion

## Eligibility Criteria – Team Florida

In order to be eligible for selection to Team Florida, an athlete must satisfy the following requirements:

- Residency: Athletes must be a U.S. Citizen and the athlete's parents/guardians must file personal taxes in the state.
- Age Limit: Athletes must be 13 by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which the athlete would be on the team and not have reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday by July 19<sup>th</sup> of that same year.
  Athletes must not be fully enrolled in college at the time of selection.
- Handicap Index: Athletes must have an established GHIN Handicap Index and enter all eligible scores to be eligible for Team Florida.
- Competition: In order to be eligible to receive points, players must compete in at least two (2) events from the points system outlined in the selection criteria.

## **Team Selection Committee Evaluation Process**

The Florida State Team Committee will evaluate eligible athletes who it may consider for the 12 selection spots on Team Florida for each gender based on the following factors:

- Points Distribution List The Committee will use the Team Florida Points Distribution
  List as a guide in the decision making of the final twelve spots.
- Rankings The Committee will consider the current and previous rankings of athletes from various publicly available rankings, which may include, but not limited to, Junior Golf Scoreboard, Rolex American Junior Golf Association Rankings, World Amateur Golf Rankings, and applicable state rankings and/or head-to-head rankings.
- Scoring The Committee will consider factors related to the athlete's scoring ability and scoring history, which may include, but is not limited to, scoring average, scoring consistency, and ability to post low scores.
- Results The Committee will review the athlete's competitive play results, including, but not limited to, finish positions, difficulty of schedule, golf course length, and headto-head results in any high-level competitions or events.