

How To Get Your Junior Started In Golf?

If you have a junior age 5 or older, consider introducing them to golf. Golf is a lifetime sport and is very social. Golf teaches honor and etiquette. Golf needs to be introduced in a fun manner. Golf needs to continue to be fun so that the junior falls in love with the game. As a starter, if they have never experienced golf, a parent can find a clinic to take them to or take them along when they themselves play golf. Let me make a word of caution to the parent. It must be fun! Clinics are short term. If the child likes the experience, find a longer-term golf program, a golf academy. This keeps the child involved in golf and has a structure, a road map for success. Golf academies can be year-round, with indoor instruction during the winter months. Imel Group Golf Academy allows students the opportunity to try a class to see whether they like the experience.

ADM (American Development Model) introduced by the US Olympic committee in conjunction with the PGA, states that the number one thing that needs to be accomplished when introducing golf to a junior is that it needs to be a fun social experience. The ADM suggests that golf should remain non-technical until the student reaches 12+ years of age. Let the child experiment with different motions or techniques. The child at this age is continuing to learn new motion skills that will allow them to become more accomplished golfers in the future. As an ADM and Operation 36 Certified Coach, my number one goal is to make the game fun and teach the young golfers in a way that makes learning fun.

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