

Girls Golf: UP TO PAR

The Girls Golf team was very dedicated throughout their season. Every week, they competed in tournaments — the prerequisite to qualifying for region and state competitions. The team had frequent practices and had to drive out all the way to Mountain Dell Golf Course to do so; but they still entertained themselves and had lots of fun. Athlete Bijou Pierre (10) said, “our coach and friends made the season really fun for us”. The team showed great improvement from all players from last season. At practices, athletes would get specific tips and tricks from both Coach Park and Coach Matheson, and especially worked on improving putting and driving skills.



Ruth Merrill (12) attempts a hole in one!



Olivia Marceau (12)



Aurora Gilmore (9)



Justice Porter (12)

Many of the players on the team were new to golf. The new students on the team learned the basics, then got more skilled as the season progressed. The experienced students took part in assisting the new students. In addition, the team was very welcoming: “I enjoy the open environment and the great coaching. Coach Matheson is a very important and attentive coach, especially if you are new to golf, he will build you up very well,” said Juliet Decena Garcia (12). “Being on the golf team has not only allowed me to spend time with friends, but has also given me the opportunity to learn a new sport and compete at tournaments,” said second year member Justice Porter (12).



Cassidy DeVries (12)



Tien Nguyen (9)

"GOLF NEVER GETS EASIER."

- Sarah Dunkley (10)



Cassidy DeVries (10) and Mika Cornell (12) ready to play!



Mia Parke (10) and Juliet Decena Garcia (12) line up to putt the ball.

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HOW TO GOLF:

Golf has many rules, vocabulary terms, and different kinds of clubs, but is simple at its core. Players focus on swinging the club to hit the golf ball into a target hole. The goal is to get the ball in the hole in the least amount of strokes (hits) possible. A par is the number of strokes that an average golfer needs to complete the course. There are special terms for certain numbers of strokes; for example, a "birdie" is one under par, an "eagle" is two under par, a "double eagle" (or "albatross" outside of the U.S.) is three under par, and so on.

Carly Dixon (12) swings her golf club to hit the golf ball!

