

SEPTEMBER 21-26



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HUNTER SWANSON | SOPHIE THAI | RACHEL TRUONG | MATTHEW VALAORAS | COLIN
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CLASS OF 2021 JUNIOR CONTESTANTS



2019 junior champions Sam Sommerhauser, First Tee - Greater Sacramento and Ashley Mene, First Tee - Phoenix

**WE HOPE YOU HAVE
A MEMORABLE WEEK
AT PEBBLE BEACH,
ENJOY THE SPECIAL
WALK.**

Clint Eastwood

Greg McLaughlin

ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT



A LASTING IMPACT ON TOMORROW'S LEADERS

For 16 years, the PURE Insurance Championship Impacting First Tee has been teaming up First Tee participants with PGA TOUR Champions players and amateurs, providing life-changing mentoring opportunities for the teens. This experience opens the participants' eyes to the possibilities in golf and beyond as they are contemplating their future education and careers. Through programs and events like the PURE Insurance Championship, First Tee is fulfilling its mission to impact the lives of young people by providing educational programs that build character and instill life-enhancing values through the game of golf. Our character education programs provide a fun, active environment to teach young people how to manage emotions, resolve conflicts, communicate, set goals and much more.

MEET THE 2021 JUNIOR FIELD

The 81 participants, ages 14-18, were selected by a national panel of judges based on their understanding and application of the values and life skills learned through First Tee's programs, as well as their playing ability.

REPRESENTING

STATES	48	AVERAGE HANDICAP	8	AVERAGE GPA IN SCHOOL	43%	49%
	FIRST TEE CHAPTERS		AVERAGE YEARS WITH FIRST TEE		FEMALE	ETHNICALLY DIVERSE



HOMETOWN

North Hampton, NH



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+0.7



BRIAN ADAMS

First Tee - New Hampshire

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as a junior coach at First Tee - New Hampshire assisting younger participants

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to major in aerospace engineering in college

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"There are two main challenges that First Tee has helped me with, and those are teaching others and public speaking. I gave a speech at two First Tee events over the past couple years, which is something that I hadn't really done before."

SLADE ALIFF
First Tee - Roanoke Valley



HOMETOWN
Hardy, VA



AGE
17



GRADE LEVEL
Senior



HANDICAP
0.6

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as assistant at First Tee -Roanoke Valley teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“While at First Tee, I have learned how to be responsible as I grow older in my life which comes with new adventures and responsibilities that I will have to handle.”



HOMETOWN

Stockton, CA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

5.6



ELYSE ARGARIN

First Tee - San Joaquin

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Certified junior volunteer for Special Olympics Basketball.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to double major in cultural anthropology and interdisciplinary studies in college.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"When pursuing any goal or passion whether it be in my schoolwork, art, or golf, I use life skills from First Tee, such as the Four R's or the goal ladder to be more organized and meticulous in this pursuit."

LOGAN BATISTE

First Tee - Greater New Orleans



HOMETOWN

Slidell, LA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+0.1

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Greater New Orleans teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Started Jr. Haberdashery, a fashion company that sells bow ties and custom pocket squares.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become a PGA TOUR player.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I started a company that I named Jr. Haberdashery company. The challenges encountered gave new meaning to perseverance and responsibility. I was forced to sharpen my communications skills and develop social media and marketing skills."



HOMETOWN

Zachary, LA



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

+1.26



KYLE BENNETT

First Tee - East Baton Rouge Parish

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -East Baton Rouge Parish teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to major in finance at the University of New Orleans, where he will be a member of the men's golf team.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped equip me to take on new experiences and challenges by teaching me great life lessons. I have played with people from all over the country and learned about their culture back in their home state. I'm able to take those experiences and apply them to my future job."

MATTEO BONALES
First Tee - Central Valley



HOMETOWN
Ceres, CA



AGE
17



GRADE LEVEL
Senior



HANDICAP
1

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteered during the First Tee - Central Valley Corporate in 2019 raising over \$100,000.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to be a biochemical engineer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“The First Tee has taught me to persevere when things get hard, as well as keeping a positive attitude and be vocal when it is needed.”



HOMETOWN

Cincinnati, OH



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+1



VICTOR CALIGURI

First Tee - Greater Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as a junior coach at First Tee - Greater Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Volunteers each year during community day of service.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play Division I collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I was a shy kid when I started volunteering at First Tee. A coach pulled me aside and helped me build the courage to come out of my shell. The kids I teach now call me 'Coach Victor,' and tell me I'm their favorite coach. I love volunteering because I'm making an impact in those kids' lives."



KYNDALL CAMPBELL

First Tee - Greater Washington DC



HOMETOWN

Sterling, VA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

3

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as the community service organizer for the Rhoer Club of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Incorporated.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to be a public speaker.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“First Tee has helped equip me to take on new experiences and taught me how to handle different situations properly.”



HOMETOWN

Fernandina Beach,
FL



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

1.7



MADELYN CAMPBELL

First Tee - North Florida

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers her time during the summer at First Tee - North Florida teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to be a best-selling author.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped me take on new experiences and challenges by equipping me with necessary life skills and core values. My local First Tee chapter has helped me exponentially by teaching me life skills that come in handy on and off the golf course."

NICHOLAS CANALES
First Tee - Greater Houston



HOMETOWN
La Porte, TX



AGE
17



GRADE LEVEL
Senior



HANDICAP
+0.6

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at First Tee - Greater Houston teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Regularly volunteers at community soup kitchen.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play golf at University of Houston and earn his PGA TOUR card.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“First Tee has taught me many important life lessons and values. They’ve taught me right from wrong, and how to choose and hang around the right people. When I face a challenge, I know how to persevere through it and learn from it to help me become a better person and golfer.”



HOMETOWN

Cypress, TX



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

+2.3



CADEN CARROLL

First Tee - Greater Houston

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach and mentor at First Tee – Greater Houston teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Regularly volunteers with his church to help elderly and disabled with house and yard work.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to attain his master's or PhD in Mechanical Engineering and become an Aerospace Engineer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has taught me to try new things and step out of my comfort zone. First Tee also introduced me to goal ladders, which helps me work to achieve my goals."

ADAM CARTOZIAN
First Tee - Central Valley



HOMETOWN
Modesto, CA



AGE
18



GRADE LEVEL
College Freshman



HANDICAP
+0.3

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Central Valley teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to earn a degree in engineering, become an entrepreneur and play on PGA TOUR.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“Through my First Tee journey, I have been introduced to some of the most important pillars of life, which also apply to golf. I’ve learned how to communicate and set goals. I’ve learned about the art of resilience and conflict resolution, which will help me plan for the future.”



HOMETOWN

Hauula, HI



AGE

15



GRADE LEVEL

Sophomore



HANDICAP

+0.7



MIA CEPEDA

First Tee - Hawaii

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as a junior coach at First Tee - Hawaii teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Also volunteers with the Plastic-Free Hawaii beach cleanups.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to attend college and major in Astronomy or Film and later become a pro golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has given me clear expectations in setting goals. I know what I want to do and what I try to do on and off the course. My coaches have inspired me to have a clear look at the future."



DAVID CHEN

First Tee - Greater Washington DC



HOMETOWN

Gaithersberg, MD



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

1.4

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Greater Washington DC teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Volunteers his time on Thanksgiving providing food to community homeless shelters.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has not only made an impact on my appreciation of the game of golf, but it has also taught me different skills that I use every day in my life. The core values that First Tee ingrains in their curriculum has reminded me of simple values in life that may be overlooked."



HOMETOWN

Fairfield, CA



AGE

15



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

+0.4



NIKKI CHINDAVONG

First Tee - Greater Sacramento

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at First Tee - Greater Sacramento teaching life skills to younger participants at junior tour tournaments.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play Division I golf on a scholarship and earn a Master's in Education.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has taught me values and life skills that help guide me through challenges. They are a road map for how to deal with different situations and help me set goals."

SYDNEY CRAVEN

First Tee - Monterey County



HOMETOWN

Pebble Beach, CA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+6.2

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as golf and swim instructor. Regularly cooks meals for the homeless at Carmel Mission.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf with the hopes of becoming a professional golfer on the LPGA Tour.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has given me the life skills to adhere to challenges. Every value I've learned has an importance in my life, especially integrity. First Tee has also helped me set goals to overcome these challenges."



HOMETOWN

Round Rock, TX



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

3.4



JORDAN DAVIS

First Tee - Greater Austin

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as lead coach at First Tee - Greater Austin teaching life skills and golf to younger participants ages 5-6.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and earn a degree in marketing.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped me take on new challenges because of the long-lasting life skills that I have learned throughout the program. At the end of the day, your score doesn't define who you are. Without having these core values instilled, I wouldn't be the person I am today."



ENRICO DIAZ

First Tee - San Francisco



HOMETOWN

San Francisco, CA



AGE

15



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

4.7

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -San Francisco teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“Along with the First Tee core values and life skills, First Tee has taught me to focus on the positives and my strengths, but also learn to become comfortable in uncomfortable situations.”



HOMETOWN

San Francisco, CA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

1



CHARLES FARRELL

First Tee - San Francisco

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers with Best Buddies International, assisting people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to invest in business or commercial real estate.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped equip me to take on new experiences and challenges through core values, such as perseverance and adversity."

BEN FELDMAN
First Tee - Central Coast



HOMETOWN
Nipomo, CA



AGE
18



GRADE LEVEL
College Freshman



HANDICAP
1.6

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Central Coast teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Regularly maintains and cleans community pools and gardens.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to go to medical school.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“First Tee has equipped me to take on new experiences and challenges confidently. With an extensive, learned understanding and application of the core values, First Tee has provided me with the tools for achieving success in welcoming such circumstances.”



HOMETOWN

Auburn, WA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

3.9



BRIGITTE FENTON

First Tee - Greater Seattle

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Greater Seattle teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

Volunteers with high school's Sports Medicine Program, working over 90 hours in practical experience working with the high school athletic teams providing injury prevention and documentation, first aid, sports therapy.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has empowered me to use courage, confidence and compassion each day, on and off the course, to help me reach my goals."

TRIANA FERNANDO

First Tee - Greater Seattle



HOMETOWN

Kirkland, WA



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

2.0

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Greater Seattle teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play Division I collegiate golf in California while pursuing a degree in engineering.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"The biggest way that First Tee has equipped me to take on new experiences and challenges is the way that it allows me to expand my social horizons and meet people that I can bond with. I learn the importance of communication and teamwork to be successful."



HOMETOWN

Orange Park, FL



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

1.1



MATTHEW FRENCH

First Tee - North Florida

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -North Florida teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Regularly volunteers at community soup kitchen .

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has equipped me to take on new experiences and challenges by giving me life lessons that I can use in all kinds of different situations. The core values are such a good tool for me because there is one for almost every problem that I will experience in my life."

SYDNEE GAINES

First Tee - Greater Baltimore



HOMETOWN

Middle River, MD



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

4.0

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers her time during the summer at First Tee - Greater Baltimore teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Regularly volunteers assisting people with intellectual disabilities in community.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become a successful neurosurgeon or neurologist.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee taught me to try new things and to step out of my comfort zone to get a different feel for things in a whole new environment."



HOMETOWN

Stockton, CA



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

0.7



AMELIA GARIBALDI

First Tee - San Joaquin

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - San Joaquin teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and later become a surgeon.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"The core values taught by First Tee are utilized in my everyday life, teaching me confidence and perseverance to take on new challenges."

CAROLINE GILREATH

First Tee - Roanoke Valley



HOMETOWN

Roanoke, VA



AGE

15



GRADE LEVEL

Sophomore



HANDICAP

1.2

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Roanoke Valley teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

Volunteers at several non-profits, as well as at church, distributing COVID supplies.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"My many years at First Tee have helped me develop superb social skills by interacting with my fellow participants and coaches."



HOMETOWN

Clovis, CA



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Sophomore



HANDICAP

4.0



KARIS HALTOM

First Tee - Fresno

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Fresno teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Regularly volunteers at school and within community as chapel participant, assisting the elderly and cleaning up the neighborhood.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and continue as a junior coach at First Tee.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped me become equipped for every aspect in my life. I have been able to grow and ask the necessary questions to keep learning and striving."

ASHTON HARPER
First Tee - Roanoke Valley



HOMETOWN
Roanoke, VA



AGE
16



GRADE LEVEL
Sophomore



HANDICAP
+1.8

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior at First Tee - Roanoke Valley teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Volunteered for teachers during the pandemic and at church.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play Division I golf in college with the hopes of becoming a professional golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I have learned communication skills and how to respect others. First Tee has helped me gain confidence when faced with new experiences. The core values I learned at First Tee have helped me in every aspect of my life."



HOMETOWN

Granite Bay, CA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+2.7



HANNAH HARRISON

First Tee - Greater Sacramento

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers through US Kids golf in the community with children. Mentored middle schoolers. Volunteers within community through creating disaster relief sewing blankets, assisting the homeless, and cleaning up around Folsom Lake.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to earn a business degree.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has equipped me to take on new experiences and challenges such as speaking at events. Oftentimes, I have had to manage different conflicts and First Tee has equipped me with how to listen carefully and problem

KODY HORTON
First Tee - Naples/Collier



HOMETOWN
Naples, FL



AGE
16



GRADE LEVEL
Senior



HANDICAP
3.2

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at First Tee - Naples/Collier as a mentor, with fundraising and represented First Tee at the QBE Shootout. Volunteers as academy golf mentor and coach.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to graduate from the Florida Gulf Coast University PGA Management program with the hopes of becoming a professional golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I have been able to go outside my comfort zone by being more outgoing and engaging with new people and building deeper relationships."



HOMETOWN

St. Joseph, MI



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

5.6



MAYA HUNTER

First Tee - Benton Harbor

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at First Tee - Greater Sacramento teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to be a Division-I athletic trainer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I've talked about how First Tee has changed my life a lot, and it always comes back to the core values-- the mottos I've had ingrained into my memory during the summer sessions have turned into some of my most important self-beliefs."

REESE JANSA
First Tee - South Dakota



HOMETOWN
Sioux Falls, SD



AGE
17



GRADE LEVEL
Senior



HANDICAP
+0.3

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Currently working toward becoming a Certified Nurse Assistant.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to make a great impact in her community, specifically regarding children.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"Knowing I have a support system, outside of my family, and those who constantly challenge me, yet encourage me allows me to grow and challenge myself."



HOMETOWN

Niceville, FL



AGE

15



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

0.4



MARIANE JOHNSON

First Tee - Gulf Coast

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Standard bearer for the Korn Ferry Tour's Emerald Coast Classic.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I have incorporated the First Tee healthy habits into my daily life to help me take on new challenges and experiences."

CALVIN KONG
First Tee - Silicon Valley



HOMETOWN
Cupertino, CA



AGE
17



GRADE LEVEL
Senior



HANDICAP
0.4

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Silicon Valley teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to ingrain constructive habits including working out every other day and sticking to his workout routine because it trains his discipline.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“First Tee has provided me with a mental toolbox that has allowed me to effectively tackle challenges and open up my perspectives.”



HOMETOWN

Agadir, Morocco



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

+0.0



MALIK LAGHJICHI

First Tee - Morocco

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Enjoys surfing.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf at the Division I level.

CASSIDY LAMBERT

First Tee - New Orleans



HOMETOWN

Gretna, LA



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

+0.2

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Active in school community service club throughout high school helping the underserved population.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play Division-I golf at University of South Alabama, while studying to become a registered nurse and qualify to join the Air Force.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I broke both arms playing basketball in Jan 2021. Knowing the core values helped me through. Small steps reach big goals."



HOMETOWN

Arlington, TX



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

1.3



MADISON LE

First Tee - Fort Worth

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers regularly with church to assist the underserved in the community.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become a physical therapist.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped me take on new experiences and challenges by installing a confidence in me that makes me believe that I can accomplish whatever I set my mind to. They have shown me that through perseverance and determination, obstacles and adversity can be overcome."

ZACHARY LEWALLEN

First Tee - Greater Dallas



HOMETOWN

Waxahachie, TX



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+2.8

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at the Tet Trung Thu festival, a traditional festival celebrated by many East and Southeast Asian people, also known as Moon Festival or Mooncake Festival.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to learn to play the piano skillfully and become an intermediate or better chess player.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped equip me to take on new experiences and challenges by encouraging me to be a more outgoing and active person."



HOMETOWN

Commerce City, CA



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

0.2



KYLE LEYDON

First Tee - Green Valley Ranch

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Green Valley Ranch teaching life skills and golf to younger participants, as well as at his church youth group.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play Division I golf with the hopes of becoming a professional golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I've learned how to be a very gracious and humble person. I have a sister that has down syndrome, and I feel that it is very important for me to try and portray all of the moral values that First Tee has instilled in me to her as well."

ETHAN LU

First Tee - Greater Sacramento



HOMETOWN

Elk Grove, CA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

+1.8

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Active member of the Boy Scouts of America and is currently working towards his Eagle Scout Award.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and complete a four-year degree in some type of science major - whether that be computer science, biology or physical science.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has taught me unforgettable life skills through their program that I can use throughout my career, including methods on overcoming challenges and taking on new things."



HOMETOWN

Yukon, OK



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+1.0



COLE LUBER

First Tee - Metropolitan Oklahoma

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Very active in his church youth group, where he helps delivery meals to the less fortunate and homeless. Also mows the lawns of some of his elderly neighbors.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play on the PGA Tour one day.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"Whenever I am faced with a problem, I am able to evaluate it and respond accordingly. I no longer react with my emotions and I have become a much better well-rounded person and a better golfer because of First Tee."

ANGELO LUCIANI
First Tee - West Michigan



HOMETOWN

East Grand Rapids, MI



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

+2.7

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as a junior coach at First Tee - West Michigan teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to attend the University of Georgia via an athletic scholarship with the hopes of becoming a professional golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“Trusting the processes and building up confidence, I can apply to much more than just golf.”



HOMETOWN

Virginia Beach, VA



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

+2.0



AMBER MACKIEWICZ

First Tee - Hampton Roads

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteer at First Tee - Hampton Roads as a camp counselor. Other activities include SCA Leadership Workshops, Operation Smile and HOSA future health professional's events.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and pursue a medical career.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"Being involved with First Tee has shown me that we all make mistakes, but that it is how I get back up that makes the difference. First Tee has taught me to have the confidence that I can do it, have respect for others and make the right choices."

KYLE MAHAN

First Tee - Greater San Antonio



HOMETOWN

San Antonio, TX



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

1.1

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers his time during the summer at First Tee - Greater San Antonio teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Raised more than \$35,000 for Make a Wish and Children's Hospital of Dallas, alongside his sister.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and study biology or forensics.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has taught me that life will always present obstacles, and that the important thing is not the obstacle but how you react to it. Now, I am able to problem-solve and keep a level head in pressure situations."



HOMETOWN

Linden, NJ



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

1.4



ISAIAH MARSEILLE

First Tee - Metropolitan New York

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Metropolitan New York teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf on the Division I level and obtain a degree in marketing.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee made me comfortable with presenting myself in a new environment with a good greeting."



JAEYA MATHIS

First Tee - Metropolitan Oklahoma



HOMETOWN

Oklahoma City, OK



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

3.8

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Metropolitan Oklahoma City teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Involved in Young Women in Leadership, student council, and National Honor Society.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to start a business that helps the less fortunate.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"We work on life skills, as much as golf skills. We learned how to be courteous and respectful of others in class, and then it became a habit even when I wasn't in First Tee class."



HOMETOWN

Tyler, TX



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

0.6



HARRISON MAY

First Tee - Greater Tyler

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Serves as president of the Junior Advisory Committee for the First Tee - Greater Tyler and named Male Golfer of the Year for the chapter. Also regularly volunteers to go on church mission trips.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf at the Division I level and earn a business degree.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has taught me many critical thinking techniques to take on challenges that I face in life, like the S.T.A.R. (stop, think, anticipate, respond) lessons."

TRENTON MIERL
First Tee - Greater Austin



HOMETOWN
Austin, TX



AGE
15



GRADE LEVEL
Sophomore



HANDICAP
+0.7

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at First Tee - Greater Austin teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf at a Division I level with the hopes of becoming a professional golfer or a broadcaster for the PGA TOUR.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“ have learned so many things in golf that you can apply to life, like looking out for others and respecting your surroundings. I have learned that little things are very important and can take you a long way.”



HOMETOWN

Austin, TX



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

+1.3



TRENTON MIERL

First Tee - Greater Austin

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at First Tee - Greater Austin teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to win a national championship playing collegiate golf with the hopes of becoming a PGA TOUR professional golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"When I come across obstacles in life, I think about the core values First Tee taught me. That helps me overcome things in my life."

ABIGALE MORRIS

First Tee - Phoenix



HOMETOWN

Buckeye, AZ



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

4

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Phoenix teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Regularly volunteers at monthly food bank in her community.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee's accessibility has been a treasure for me as a child growing up in the military."



HOMETOWN

Tucson, AZ



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

+0.4



JAKE MYRE

First Tee - Tucson

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Tucson teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Serves as vice president of the Junior National Honor Society at high school.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to attend the Air Force Academy and become a pilot in the military.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee got me in shape and out of the house. It also helped me discover my passion."

HUNTER OLSON

First Tee - South Puget Sound



HOMETOWN

Puyallup, WA



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+3

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Member of the high school American Sign Language Club, which promotes the deaf community to younger students to learn about deaf culture.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I started at First Tee thinking I was getting golf instruction, but I've gained much more. It is not only about the values that guide us but the experience I've had there that's truly made an impact on me."



HOMETOWN

Winston-Salem, NC



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

+1.4



OWEN PEARCE

First Tee - Central Carolina

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as a junior coach at First Tee - Central Carolina teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

Volunteers at the community food bank.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“First Tee doesn’t only focus on golf; it has also prepared me for other life experiences. The character-building aspect of First Tee has been most helpful for me. I think the character building and goal setting that we learn through the First Tee program helps us face challenges with more confidence.”



BRENNA PREAP
First Tee - San Joaquin



HOMETOWN
Stockton, CA



AGE
16



GRADE LEVEL
Junior



HANDICAP
+1.8

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as a junior coach at First Tee - San Joaquin teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.
Volunteers yearly at community annual toy drive.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to study in Optometry, while playing collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"Growing up in First Tee, I always admired the older girls in the Eagle group and wanted to do what they did. Looking back, they were such great golfers and they inspired me to get better with my game."



HOMETOWN

Raleigh, NC



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

2.7



KAITLYN RAND

First Tee - Triangle

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as a junior coach at First Tee - Triangle teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Spends time volunteering at the Raleigh Soup Kitchen and other community non-profits

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf at the Division I level.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"The life skills taught by First Tee not only helped my self-esteem but gave me a sense of independence where I could go into any situation and confidently communicate."



BILLY REID

First Tee - Florida Gold Coast



HOMETOWN

Palm Beach Gardens,

FL



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

2.7

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Florida Gold Coast teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Volunteers time assisting the professional baseball teams in the area.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play either collegiate golf or baseball.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“One extremely important skill I’ve learned from First Tee is how to properly meet and interact with new people. I’ve used these skills to carry out meaningful conversations with people I meet on the golf course, and I’ve also used these skills in job interviews.”



HOMETOWN

Ponte Verda, FL



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

6



GRACE RICHARDS

First Tee - North Florida

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Regularly volunteers at First Tee – North Florida teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to work at the PGA TOUR.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“With seven years of First Tee knowledge at my disposal, I can take on any new challenge that comes my way. I utilize First Tee’s core values daily, even if I don’t always realize it.”

MILES RICHARDSON

First Tee - Metro Atlanta



HOMETOWN

Atlanta, GA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

5

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers his time during the summer at First Tee - Metro Atlanta teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Also, volunteers by sorting and packing food baskets for families in his community during the holidays.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become a PGA professional golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has increased my courage and helped me face new situations with more confidence. Every day, whether I realize it or not, I use at least one of the First Tee core values in my daily life."



HOMETOWN

Pinehurst, NC



AGE

19



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

3.7



KYLIE ROBINSON

First Tee - Sandhills

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Has volunteered at various events at First Tee - Sandhills and other golf events. Used blogging skills to grow her business' Instagram profile following to 16K.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to graduate from the University of North Carolina with a business degree and MBA.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"Throughout my time with the First Tee, I have powered through my anxiety, become more outgoing and gained a community of friends that I would call my family. My favorite life skill exercise was learning how to introduce myself and give a firm handshake properly."

NATHAN ROMERO

First Tee - Tucson



HOMETOWN

Tucson, AZ



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

0

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at First Tee - Tucson teaching life skills and golf to younger participants in the Girl Power Class, Player Sessions and Par Sessions.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become a professional golfer on the PGA TOUR.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped equip me with the self-confidence and respect needed to advance academically, mentally, recreationally, and in life in general. They really opened my eyes to bigger and greater opportunities that are available to me if I stay focused and put in the hard work."



HOMETOWN

Porter, TX



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

+3.7



ISABELLA SAENZ

First Tee - Greater Houston

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at First Tee - Tucson teaching life skills and golf to younger participants in the Girl Power Class, Player Sessions and Par Sessions.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become a professional golfer on the PGA TOUR.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped equip me with the self-confidence and respect needed to advance academically, mentally, recreationally, and in life in general. They really opened my eyes to bigger and greater opportunities that are available to me if I stay focused and put in the hard work."

ELLIE SAND

First Tee - Greater Sacramento



HOMETOWN

El Dorado Hills, CA



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

0.5

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at First Tee - Greater Sacramento teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Also, volunteers at US Kids tournaments and Hands for Hope helping kids on science projects. Plays and teaches piano.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and earn a degree in computer science.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I learned about leadership and the importance of community service. One of the key life skills I learned through golf was setting goals and planning for the future."



HOMETOWN

Sioux Falls, SD



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Sophomore



HANDICAP

+4.3



LIAM SARMIENTO

First Tee - South Dakota

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at his local zoo. Member of the Boy Scouts of America.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf at the Division I level and eventually go to medical school.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"My biggest takeaway from First Tee are the core values. I use those values every day, and they have helped me become a better person."

ALY SAUNDERS
First Tee - Fort Worth



HOMETOWN
Aledo, TX



AGE
17



GRADE LEVEL
Senior



HANDICAP
+0.8

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Fort Worth teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Participates in Business Professionals of America.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has given me the right mindset needed to be successful not just in golf but in life, focusing on specific traits like honesty and compassion to highlight the importance of good character in life and in golf."



HOMETOWN

Manhattan, KS



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

+0.2



CODY SCHURLE

First Tee - Manhattan

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers at a youth group and was nominated as group leader of the month.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf at the Division-I level with the hopes of becoming a PGA TOUR professional golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee helped me gain so much confidence on the golf course, and I have gained confidence in meeting new people, which is something I struggled with before."

JACK SEUFERT
First Tee - West Michigan



HOMETOWN

Grand Rapids, MI



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

+1.5

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -West Michigan teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

Involved in an art fundraiser and a meal drive that fed over 200 families.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to study computer science and engineering in college.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“The impact First Tee had on me is most seen in the kids I coach and all the positive experiences that come with that.”



HOMETOWN

Valparaiso, IN



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

+2.2



DAKOTA STACY

First Tee - Indiana

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Indiana teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to live in Japan and become a data scientist there.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“Being homeschooled, I didn’t have much social skills. With First Tee’s help, I started taking action and making my own path in my social life.”

BORINA SUTIKTO
First Tee - Silicon Valley



HOMETOWN
Fremont, CA



AGE
17



GRADE LEVEL
Senior



HANDICAP
+4.2

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Silicon Valley teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Regularly volunteers at the Second Harvest Food Bank during the holidays.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become an LPGA Tour player.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“There is one group of people whose influence had a greatest impact on me, shaping my character and helping me to be the person I am today. They are my coaches from First Tee - Silicon Valley. I have learned so much from them about character and how to be successful in life.”



HOMETOWN

Denver, CO



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+2.5



HUNTER SWANSON

First Tee - Green Valley Ranch

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Member of National Honor Society and partakes in leadership classes once a month.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become a PGA TOUR professional golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“Not only has First Tee introduced me to the game of golf, it has also provided me with a safe way to grow up. A lot of people in my neighborhood chose the not-so-good path.”



SOPHIE THAI

First Tee - Silicon Valley



HOMETOWN

Los Altos, CA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+1.0

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as tutor for children in underserved communities in her area.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf with the hopes of becoming a professional golfer.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped me to become a more confident communicator. First Tee has shown me that being sincere and demonstrating respect goes a long way in having people being receptive to my point of view."



HOMETOWN

San Jose, CA



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

5



RACHEL TRUONG

First Tee - Silicon Valley

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Silicon Valley teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and become a business marketing manager at a tech company.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I realized the importance of using my resourcefulness to find a way to win even when I am pushed out of my comfort zone. This new mindset gave me more confidence to try new things and take on new challenges that would push me out of my comfort zone."

MATT VALAORAS

First Tee - Central Carolina



HOMETOWN

Winston Salem, NC



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

1.7

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee - Silicon Valley teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and become a business marketing manager at a tech company.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I realized the importance of using my resourcefulness to find a way to win even when I am pushed out of my comfort zone. This new mindset gave me more confidence to try new things and take on new challenges that would push me out of my comfort zone."



HOMETOWN

Sparks, MD



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

1.5



COLIN VINEBERG

First Tee - Greater Baltimore

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers with autistic kids and veterans with PTSD, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Plays travel soccer, basketball, and squash.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf, graduate from college and get a great job.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped me take on new experiences and challenges by the coaches pushing me to do things that sometimes I'm not really sure I can do. I not only learn about golf at First Tee, but about handling life's challenges, as well."

JAKE WALDEN

First Tee - Phoenix



HOMETOWN

Queen Creek, AZ



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

1.7

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Phoenix teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Regularly volunteers at the Special Olympics of Arizona.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and obtain a bachelor's degree in finance.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"The First Tee program has helped me build a strong character to help me overcome any obstacle that happens in my life."



HOMETOWN

Atlanta, GA



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

0.4



HAVEN WARD

First Tee - Metro Atlanta

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Involved in A Better Chance, non-profit organization that assists minority youth in attending high-achieving schools in the United States.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to major in criminology and play collegiate golf at the Division I level.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

“When I get frustrated on the golf course, I always remember the three tips for having fun: stay patient, stay positive, and ask for help. The life skills of First Tee are not just for the golf course, though. I have been able to use them in my everyday life.”

XAVIER WILLARS

First Tee - Fort Worth



HOMETOWN

Fort Worth, TX



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+0.9

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Fort Worth teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

Participant in Junior Advisory Committee for First Tee - Fort Worth.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf at the Division I level.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"First Tee has helped me to become a better communicator and courageous person, which are two necessary traits to grow as a person."



HOMETOWN

Harrisburg, NC



AGE

18



GRADE LEVEL

College Freshman



HANDICAP

+5.2



CLAUDIA WINTERBERG

First Tee - Greater Charlotte

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Earned the John W. Harris Award 2020 For Growth and Sustainability of the Game while volunteering as a junior coach at First Tee - Greater Charlotte teaching life skills and golf to younger participants.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to study Exercise Science at SUNY Cortland and pursue a graduate degree in Physical Therapy, with hopes of helping children and youth athletes stay healthy and perform at their best.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"I have learned leadership skills at camps, and the core values remind me to treat others like I want to be treated."



MICHAEL WOLSKI

First Tee - Western New York



HOMETOWN

Lancaster, NY



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+2.7

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Active volunteer at the Lancaster Youth Bureau and First Tee - Western New York. Works at Greenfields Nursing Home as a food porter.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and pursue a Bachelor's degree in Exercise Science or Sports Management.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"The core values from First Tee, such as perseverance, confidence, sportsmanship and responsibility were some of the values that helped me succeed in varsity tennis."



HOMETOWN

El Dorado Hills, CA



AGE

16



GRADE LEVEL

Junior



HANDICAP

2.1



HALEY WONG

First Tee - Greater Sacramento

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers as junior coach at First Tee -Greater Sacramento teaching life skills and golf to younger participants. Also volunteers time at US Kids Golf tournaments.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become a dentist.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"Through life skill lessons I have learned ways to deal with challenges and have been taught to persevere."

QUINN YOST

First Tee - Four Corners



HOMETOWN

Farmington, NM



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

+1.8

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers with Special Olympics. Plays violin for Chamber orchestra.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to play collegiate golf and later become a pilot.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"If I want to accomplish my goals and dreams, I have to get uncomfortable."



HOMETOWN

Arroyo Grande, CA



AGE

17



GRADE LEVEL

Senior



HANDICAP

0.1



JACOB ZAKARIA

First Tee - Central Coast

VOLUNTEER AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers by tutoring second graders at nearby elementary school.

FUTURE GOALS:

Aspires to become a medical doctor.

FIRST TEE HAS HELPED EQUIP ME TO TAKE ON NEW EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES BY:

"The First Tee has helped me internalize the values and characteristics needed to excel when faced with new experiences."



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