



2024 Texas Children's Houston Open
(14th of 36 events in the FedExCup Regular Season)

Houston, Texas
 Memorial Park Golf Course

March 28-31, 2024
 Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,435

FedExCup points: 500 (winner)
 Purse: \$9,100,000 (\$1,638,000 winner)

First-Round Notes – Thursday, March 28, 2024

Weather: Mostly sunny. High of 75. Wind ESE 5-10 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1
T1	Wilson Furr	64 (-6)
T1	Taylor Moore	64 (-6)
T3	Davis Riley	65 (-5)
T3	Joe Highsmith	65 (-5)
T3	Scottie Scheffler	65 (-5)
T6	Five players	66 (-4)

Wilson Furr (T1/-6)

- PGA TOUR rookie played his last five holes in 4-under to take a share of the first-round lead, his first lead/co-lead after any round on TOUR; previous best position after any round on TOUR was T23 (R1/2024 American Express/WD)
- Made one cut in eight starts on the PGA TOUR (T38/2024 Mexico Open at Vidanta)
- Jackson, Mississippi native finished No. 24 on the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List to earn his TOUR card for 2024
- As a freshman, played on the University of Alabama golf team with Davis Riley, who sits T3 at 5-under 65
- Currently projected at No. 1 in the Aon Swing 5 standings (see chart below)

Taylor Moore (T1/-6)

- After a bogey at his opening hole, San Angelo, Texas native posts an eagle (No. 3) and five birdies for his low round of the season and his first sub-par round at the Texas Children's Houston Open
- Holds first-round lead/co-lead for the second time on TOUR (2023 Rocket Mortgage Classic/T4)
- Par-or-better in the opening round of all nine starts this season
- Made the cut in each of his eight prior starts this season with T12 at last week's Valspar Championship his best result
- Winner of the 2023 Valspar Championship makes his third appearance at the Texas Children's Houston Open (MC/2021, MC/2022)

Miscellaneous notes

- **Davis Riley** (T3/-5), winner of the 2023 Zurich Classic of New Orleans (with Nick Hardy), has made three cuts in nine starts this season; best result in nine prior starts this season (T52/The Sentry); makes third appearance at the Texas Children's Houston Open (T29/2021, T27/2022)
- PGA TOUR rookie lefthander **Joe Highsmith** (T3/-5) records fourth 65 this season, matching his low round on TOUR (R3/American Express, R1 and R2/Puerto Rico Open); notched first top-10 with a T6 at the 2024 Puerto Rico Open
- FedExCup leader and World No. 1 **Scottie Scheffler** (T3/-5) now has 28 consecutive sub-par rounds on the PGA TOUR, the most on record (since 1983); seeks third consecutive win in as many starts (Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, THE PLAYERS Championship); last player to win three consecutive starts on TOUR was Dustin Johnson in 2017
- **Beau Hossler** (T6/-4), who lost a playoff at the 2018 Texas Children's Houston Open, posts his second-lowest round at this event (65/R1/2018)
- Before winning last week's Valspar Championship, **Peter Malnati** (T17/-2) had made one cut in seven starts at that event (T60/2019); enters this week having made one cut in six prior appearances at the Texas Children's Houston Open (T17/2019)
- **Pierceson Coody** (T35/-1) and **Parker Coody** (T54/E), twins from Plano, Texas, were paired together, marking the first time on record (since 1983) that twin professionals had played in the same grouping together on the PGA TOUR; the Ford brothers, David and Maxwell (triplets with sister Abigail), were grouped together as amateurs at the 2023 RSM Classic

- **Tyler Duncan** withdrew ahead of the first round with a back injury and was replaced in the field by **Cody Gribble** (T139/+6)

Aon Next 10 and Aon Swing 5

- The next Signature Event on the schedule is the RBC Heritage. The cutoff for the Aon Next 10 is through the Masters Tournament while the events for the Aon Swing 5 are the Puerto Rico Open, Valspar Championship, Texas Children's Houston Open and Valero Texas Open.

Aon Next 10 standings

Player	Position thru R1	Projected FedExCup Points
Matthieu Pavon	-	986.563
Ludvig Åberg	-	892.667
Jake Knapp	T124	799.218
Will Zalatoris	T124	760.643
Peter Malnati	T17	725.811
Christiaan Bezuidenhout	-	705.080
Austin Eckroat	-	605.926
Erik van Rooyen	-	593.560
Grayson Murray	-	589.375
Justin Thomas	-	579.667

Aon Swing 5 standings

Player	Position thru R1	Projected FedExCup Points
Wilson Furr	T1	500
Brice Garnett	-	300
Joe Highsmith	T3	200
Erik Barnes	T100	165
Chandler Phillips	T124	162.500