



The Prep Tour begins our **9th year** of competition in 2020. Our players, golf parents and golf professionals have provided us with feedback on how to better improve our services to them. We are excited to announce our addition of the **Blue Golf software** to enhance the competitive golf experience. Beginning with our Spring of 2020 events, all registrations and events will use **Blue Golf**. In order to register for a Prep Tour tournament, each participant will need to sign up for a **Software Prep Tour ID#** which will enable their access to the Blue Golf software. There will be a nominal **annual fee of \$10** for access to the Blue Golf software which includes the Mobile App, access to live scoring, tournament, course and individual stats.

Players and Parents should carefully review the updated Prep Tour website. The Prep Tour Tournament Information Page has the updated start times, yardages, entry fee amount, registration cut off dates and when the tee times will be released.

2019 Highlights:

- 50+ Prep Tour players signed to play Collegiate Golf
- Prep Tour players won The Callaway Cup
- Prep Tour players won IHSA & IESA State Championships
- Numerous HS Player of the Year, All-Conference, All-Area and Medalist awards
- The High School Showcases continued to be the **elite High School event** other than the IHSA State Finals. The 2019 Showcases featured State Championship teams and individuals.
- The Prep Tour expanded with a SouthWest series that will continue in 2020.
- AJGA PBE Stars were awarded at many Prep Tour events.

New for 2020

1. Caddies allowed in the **Jr. High Boys** Division. Current **5th grade through 8th grade** Jr High Boys may have a caddy assist them. Players and caddies must review The Prep Tour **Caddy rules** prior to the event.
2. Blue Golf Tournament Software added to enhance the player experience.
3. Additional Southern Illinois Tournaments added with Callaway Cup qualifiers.
4. Collegiate Women's division added at select Summer 2020 events.

Featured Events for 2020:

1. **Callaway Cup-** The 3rd annual Prep Tour - SIGA Callaway Cup will be held Saturday July 25th and Sunday July 26th at Piper Glen Golf Course. The Prep Tour will defend the Callaway Cup won in 2019 sponsored by Kevin Hefner @ Callaway/Ogio Golf. The Prep Tour will conduct a 18 event points race to provide players the opportunity to qualify for this exciting event. Additional details are published on The Callaway Cup webpage: <http://www.preptour.com/callaway-cup.html>
2. **Challenge Cup-** The 6th annual Prep Tour - IJGA Challenge Cup will be held Saturday July 11th and Sunday July 12th at Crestwicke Country Club in Bloomington. The Prep Tour will conduct a 7 event points race allowing players the chance to compete for a spot representing The Prep Tour @ The Challenge Cup. The 2020 format will feature a 10 Boys, 6 Girls team. The 2020 Spring points race begins April 10th and 11th in Decatur. Players may represent The Prep Tour at The Callaway Cup at Piper Glen or The Challenge Cup @ Crestwicke CC, **but not both**. Detailed information on how players can qualify to represent The Prep Tour at The Challenge Cup in 2020 can be found at <http://www.preptour.com/challenge-cup.html> .
3. **AJGA "Points" Race-** Pekin Country Club will be hosting the American Junior Golf Association's (AJGA) D.A. Points Junior Championship July 6th- July 9th. The Tournament Committee has awarded The Prep Tour both an unpaid Boys and Girls exemption into the tournament field. The Prep Tour will conduct a 5 event "Points" Race to determine the winners of these exemptions. Additional details are published on The Prep Tour website AJGA page <http://www.preptour.com/ajga-race.html>
4. We will continue our Winter Series Dec 2020 - Feb 2021 in Arizona and Texas.

Registration opens Friday January 31st, 2020. Events that typically sell out include:

- Ironwood
- Univ of Illinois Orange
- Mother's Day @ The Rail

- Memorial Day in Decatur
- Prairie Vista
- ISU
- The Den @ Fox Creek

Thanks to everyone for their continued support of The Prep Tour as we look forward to another fantastic and competitive 2020 season! We are very proud of all of our competitors and look forward to meeting even more!