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## **K-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE JUNIOR PLAYER DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION**

The Montana State Golf Association is proud to offer funding for programs open to the public at Montana golf courses to help youth learn the game. This new initiative reflects the commitment of MSGA to growing Junior Golf in all our member clubs, large or small. MSGA has resources to help you create youth programs. However, as a 501(c)3 non-profit, none of our grant funds can be used for private individual compensation. Additionally, they cannot be used for “scholarships” or other individual student fees, which would thereby be “income” for the program. All funds must be spent for general program expenses benefiting all participants, such as equipment, free or discounted lunches for all, etc.

This opportunity is open to all MSGA member clubs, individual MSGA members, and Montana schools desiring support for including golf in their physical education curricula. We want to encourage young people to begin playing golf as a life-long sport that has very low physical risk and strong, positive reinforcement of personal values, courtesy, and honorable behavior. The goal is to attract young people to the game of golf, while providing a wholesome environment for beneficial behavior development.

We want to help start or expand programs that will hopefully grow over time. For example, the concept should not be envisioned as a one-shot summer golf camp, but one that could become an annually repeating endeavor. Grants may be annually renewable depending on funding resources. The ideal program will use matching funds from other sources such as civic clubs, golf clubs, and local associations. This will bring in more broad-based community support.

For example: Do you need funding to buy junior golf clubs for your beginner classes or a “golf-in-the-schools” program? Do you need funding to cover lunches and other things? Funds could be used to offer scholarships to potential students to pay some or all of any registration fees or buy necessary equipment. Do you need funding for specialized teaching tools for children such as that offered by [snaggolf.com](http://snaggolf.com)? Are there other ways we can help you introduce K-8<sup>th</sup> graders to golf? MSGA will consider all requests.

The attached application is brief and easy to complete. You may attach additional information if you desire. Just attach it to the form. At the end of the grant you will be required to do the following: 1) Provide documentation on the use of the funds (# of students involved, some details of what you accomplished); 2) Provide a short, one-page “Best Practice” you discovered for your program that can be shared with others interested in promoting youth golf via our website.

The Grant Application is available as a Word file or as an editable PDF. Simply type or write in your responses to each question. If the file grows to additional pages, we certainly welcome the detail.



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Applications may be submitted anytime. Funding depends on both the proposal and available budget resources. Early applications are encouraged. You may submit your proposal by normal mail, FAX, or email attachment in either Microsoft Word or PDF form.

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Golf Course: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Needed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Complete the following and attach any additional information about your proposal if necessary*

Summary of your program proposal & matching funds you envision.
Tell us about the junior golfers this grant will serve.
How, specifically, will funds be utilized.
What follow up documentation will you be able to provide on the use of this grant?

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