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NEWS RELEASE

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State Finals Preview: Defending State Champions Return to Prairie View

The defending individual and team state champions both return with the hopes of repeating last year's accomplishments as the 80th IHSAA Boys Golf State Finals begin Tuesday at Carmel's Prairie View Golf Club.

All competitors will play 36 holes over the two-day event as a total of 15 teams have advanced five golfers each and 25 individuals have moved on without their squads for a total of 100 participants. Groups will be teeing off the 1st and 10th tees at 8 am ET / 7 am CT on Tuesday. The first round tee times and pairings are available [here](#).

Last year's team champ Westfield, currently ranked second, is back to defend its crown as is Harrison (West Lafayette) junior Cole Bradley, who won a two-hole playoff against Columbia City senior Spencer Klimek (who also returns), for the individual crown.

Eight of the top 10 teams in the final poll from the Indiana High School Golf Coaches Association have found their way including top-ranked Center Grove.

The Trojans are also one of eight returning teams from last year's field after winning the Providence regional at Champions Pointe on Thursday with a 292, the best regional score posted. CG's Noah Gillard is one of seven returnees that finished in last year's top 10 after tying for ninth place. Sam Jean's 71 led the Trojans on Thursday.

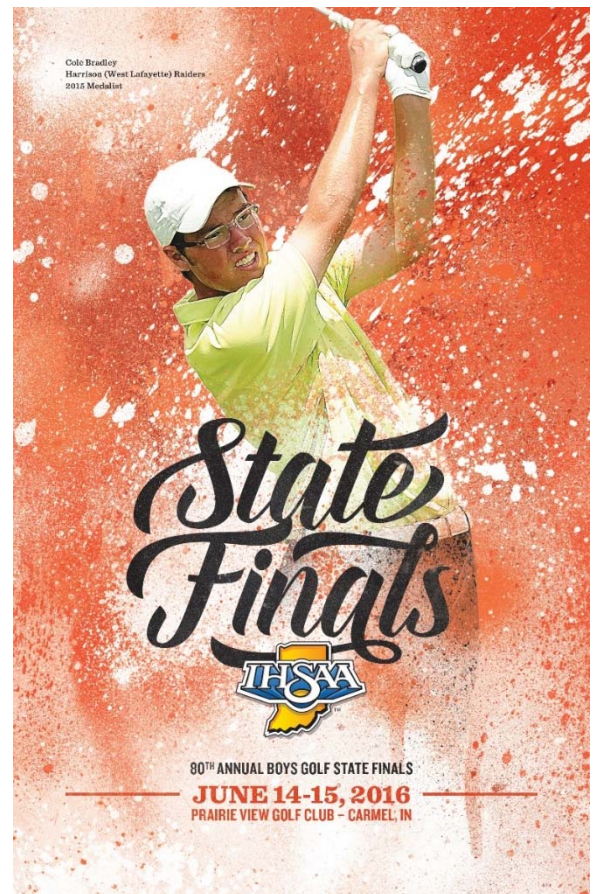
Two others that won regional titles also return from last year including Harrison (West Lafayette) and Homestead. For Dwenger, it was the school's first regional crown. Harrison claimed its first regional in five years at Battle Ground while Homestead bested the field for the first time since 2009 at Stonehenge.

Dwenger and Westfield each will be making their fifth consecutive appearance in the state finals while Hamilton Southeastern will be playing in its fourth straight. Bloomington South, Center Grove and Homestead are each back for a third year.

Indianapolis Bishop Chatard edged Hamilton Southeastern on the fifth player's score at the Players Club on Friday and carted off its first regional title since 1987, which also was the last time the Trojans advanced as a team to the state finals. Vincennes Lincoln ended a 12-year state finals drought as the Alices placed third at Thursday's regional at Country Oaks.

The best individual scores so far were the 67s put up by Stewie Hobgood of Evansville North and Nick Osterburg of Perry Meridian, both at the sectional. Hobgood qualified with his Huskie teammates while Osterburg will represent the Falcons as an individual.

Fans and media are invited to view the progress of the state finals by visiting BirdieFire.com The IHSAA will post the hole-by-hole scores for every player throughout the two days.



State Finals

Prairie View Golf Club, 7000 Longest Drive, Carmel, IN 46033 | [Website](#)

Day 1: Tuesday, June 14, 2016, 8 am ET / 7 am CT.

Day 2: Wednesday, June 15, 2016, 8 am ET / 7 am CT.

Admission: \$12 per person (ticket good for both days).

Advancement: All teams and individuals will play 36 holes.

Live Scoring: Hosted at BirdieFire.com

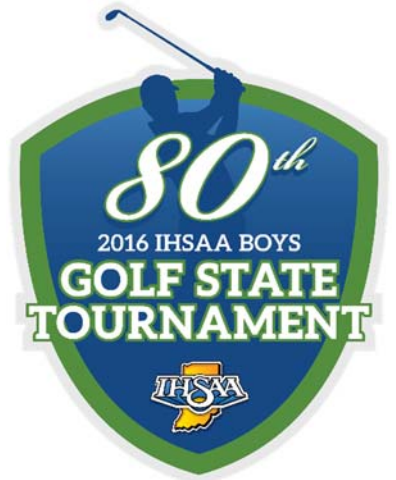
Official Ball: The Wilson FG Tour golf ball, the official ball of the IHSAA state tournament, will be provided by the IHSAA. [Wilson Ad](#)

No Personal Coolers: Personal coolers are not allowed on the course.

Parking: Spectators will use the off-site parking lot southwest of the roundabout at the intersection of Main Street and River Road and be shuttled to and from the golf course.

Riding Carts: A limited number of riding carts will be available at cost on a "first-come, first-served" basis. Golf carts are limited to the cart path only. Please check the clubhouse counter for details. Courtesy carts also will be circling the course transporting spectators.

Feeder Regionals: Lafayette Jefferson, Muncie Central, Providence, Warsaw, Washington.



[First Round Tee Times](#)

[State Championship Record Book](#)



Notables

Defending State Champion: Westfield.

Teams Qualified (15) **indicates regional champion.*

Bedford North Lawrence, Bloomington South, Center Grove*, Columbia City, Evansville Memorial, Evansville North*, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Hamilton Southeastern, Harrison (West Lafayette)*, Homestead*, Indianapolis Bishop Chatard*, Vincennes Lincoln, Westfield, Yorktown, Zionsville.

Teams Returning from 2015 State Finals (8 of 21)

Center Grove, Columbia City, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Hamilton Southeastern, Harrison (West Lafayette), Homestead, Westfield, Zionsville.

IHSGCA Poll (State finalist teams in bold)

1. Center Grove (7)

2. Westfield (1)

3. Carmel

4. Bloomington South

5. Noblesville

6. Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger

7. Hamilton Southeastern

8. Zionsville

9. Columbia City

10. Homestead

11. Harrison (West Lafayette)

12. Perry Meridian

13. Evansville North

14. Yorktown

15. Bedford North Lawrence

16. Columbus North

17. Fort Wayne Canterbury

18. Oak Hill

19. Brownsburg

20. Penn

Honorable Mention: Chesterton, Crown Point.

Individuals Qualified without a Team (25)

Boone Grove: Logan Lucas.

Carmel: Kevin Stone.

Cascade: Garrett Compliment.

Castle: Austin Bratton.

Centerville: Mason Rader.

Crown Point: Yianni Kostouros, Grant Miller.

Floyd Central: Dylan Zink.

Fort Wayne Canterbury: Carson Stoller

Fort Wayne Concordia: Cameron Weikert.

Greensburg: Keegan McCullough.

Jasper: Josh Krempp.

Lake Central: Anthony Bossi

Linton-Stockton: Zach Hall.

Mishawaka Marian: Augie Hartnagle.

Mt. Vernon: Will Dant.

Muncie Central: Keegan Bronnenberg.

New Albany: Addison Greenwell.

Noblesville: Parker Deakyne.

North Vermillion: William Martin.

Park Tudor: Alex Honigford.

Perry Meridian: Nick Osterburg.

Plymouth: Micah Calhoun.
Richmond: Jake Miller.
South Bend St. Joseph: Tate Heintzelman-Dee.

Individuals Returning from 2015 Top 10 (7)

Spencer Klimek, Columbia City.
Cole Bradley, Harrison (West Lafayette).
Callahan Elzey, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger.
Thomas Lewis, Westfield.
Keegan Bronnenberg, Muncie Central.
Noah Gillard, Center Grove.
Drew Wood, Zionsville.

Teams Returning from 2015 Top 10 (8)

1. Westfield.
2. Center Grove.
3. Zionsville.
T4. Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger.
T4. Hamilton Southeastern.
7. Homestead.
8. Bloomington South.
T9. Columbia City.

Most Consecutive State Finals Appearances

21: Indianapolis Shortridge (1932-1957; State Tournament was discontinued from 1942-46 due to WWII).

Active Streaks of Consecutive State Finals Appearances (3 or more years)

5: Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Westfield.
4: Hamilton Southeastern.
3: Bloomington South, Center Grove, Homestead.

First-Time Team State Finals Appearances

None.

State Finals Appearance Droughts Broken (10 years or more)

29: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard (1987).
12: Vincennes Lincoln (2004).

Former State Champions in the Field

Cole Bradley, 11, Harrison (West Lafayette), 2015.

Former State Runners-Up in the Field

Spencer Klimek, 12, Columbia City, 2015.

First-Time Regional Champions in the Field

None.

Regional Championship Droughts Broken (10 years or more)

29: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard (1987).

Best Scores in 2016 State Tournament (Among State Finalists)

284: Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger (sectional).
287: Center Grove (sectional).
292: Center Grove (regional).
292: Homestead (sectional).
294: Bloomington South (sectional).
295: Bloomington South (regional).
298: Bedford North Lawrence (regional).

298: Madison (sectional).
298: Westfield (sectional).
299: Evansville North (sectional).
299: Homestead (regional).

Best Scores in 2016 State Tournament (Among State Finalists)

67: Stewie Hobgood, Evansville North (sectional).
67: Nick Osterburg, Perry Meridian (sectional).
68: Keegan Bronnenberg, Muncie Central (regional).
68: Tyler Green, Guerin Catholic (regional).
68: Matthew Ladd, Evansville Memorial (regional).
69: Garrett Compliment, Cascade (regional).
69: Jack Cunningham, Vincennes Lincoln (regional).
69: Callahan Elzey, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger (sectional).
69: Stewie Hobgood, Evansville North (regional).
69: Grant Miller, Crown Point (sectional).
69: Garrett Willis, Homestead (sectional).

Sectional Championship Teams (30): Bloomington South, Brownsburg, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Center Grove, Chesterton, Columbia City, Columbus East, Crown Point, Evansville North, Fairfield, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Greencastle, Harrison (West Lafayette), Indianapolis Cathedral, Jasper, LaPorte, Linton-Stockton, Madison, Marion, Mt. Vernon (Fortville), Noblesville, Park Tudor, Penn, Providence, Richmond, Rochester, Vincennes Lincoln, Western, Westfield, Yorktown.

Regional Championship Teams (5): Center Grove, Evansville North, Harrison (West Lafayette), Homestead, Indianapolis Bishop Chatard.

Media Information

Tournament Administrator: Assistant Commissioner Chris Kaufman.

Media Hosts: Sports Information Director Jason Wille and staff assistant Mike Wilson will be on hand to assist in your coverage.

Media Credentials: The 2015-16 IHSAA State Finals Media Credential will allow for admission. To apply, please e-mail your request (with name of individual) as soon as possible to IHSAA Sports Information Director Jason Wille at jwille@ihcaa.org. E-mail requests MUST originate from a recognized business account; e-mails from personal accounts (ie: yahoo.com, aol.com, etc.) will not be accepted. Deadline is Monday, June 13, at 4 pm ET / 3 pm CT. Approved requests will be left for pickup at the front gate entrance to Prairie View Golf Club.

Parking: Players, coaches, tournament workers and news media will be able to utilize the main parking lot next to the clubhouse. Spectators will use the off-site parking lot southwest of the roundabout at the intersection of Main Street and River Road and shuttled to and from the golf course.

Riding Carts: A limited number of riding carts will be available at cost on a “first-come, first-served” basis. Golf carts are limited to the cart path only. Please check the clubhouse counter for details. Courtesy carts also will be circling the course transporting spectators.

Services: Working space with electrical power and wireless access will be available in The Ackerman Academy, the building directly north of the main clubhouse. Copies of the official program including scorecards also will be available along with results from both days of the event. Tee-times and pairings for Saturday’s second round will be posted to the IHSAA website as soon as possible on Friday following completion of the first round.

About the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA)

The IHSAA is a voluntary, not-for-profit organization that is self-supporting without the use of tax monies. Since its founding in 1903, the Association's mission has been to provide wholesome, educational athletics for the secondary schools of Indiana. Its member high schools - public, institutional, parochial and private – pay no annual membership fee or incur entry fees to play in the Association's tournaments. A state tournament series is conducted annually in 21 sports, 10 for girls, 10 for boys and one co-ed (unified track and field). A 19-person board of directors, elected by member school principals, governs the organization.

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