

2015 Hugh Cranford All-Scholastic Team

For Boys and Girls Ages 16-18 as of July 31, 2015

The Hugh Cranford All-Scholastic Team is a special award recognizing the academic accomplishments and community service record of junior golfers.

The team will consist of five golfers who will be between the ages of 16 and 18 as of the last day of the Optimist International Junior Golf Championships (July 31, 2015). Junior golfers selected to the team will receive an automatic exemption into the championships and complimentary registration (**the selected participant's registration fee—which is inclusive of tournament entry, hotel accommodations and meals—will be waived**). The exemption includes an invitation to participate in the 2015 Optimist International Junior Golf Championships without having to play in a qualifying tournament. Junior golfers who are interested in applying should read the steps below and submit the attached application.

APPLICATION STEPS:

1. Complete the application as indicated.
2. Include a writing sample (250 to 500 words) on the topic indicated.
3. Attach supporting documentation. The following items are the only items that will be accepted: current school transcript, most-recent grade report, and test results. Additional attachments will not be accepted.
4. Send the application to the following address. Application must be postmarked no later than April 5, 2015 and received in St. Louis Office by April 10, 2015. Send to:

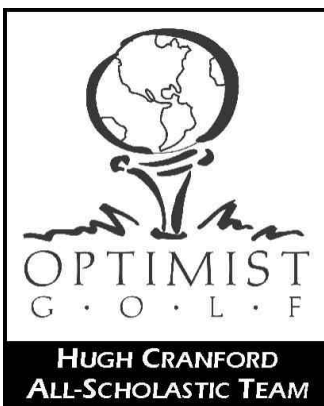
Optimist Junior Golf
Attn: All-Scholastic Team
4494 Lindell Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63108 USA

In Memory of Hugh Cranford



Hugh Cranford served as Executive Director of Optimist International from 1967 to 1986. He was instrumental in starting the Optimist Junior Golf program and in 1978 led the efforts to co-sponsor the Optimist Junior World Golf Championships in San Diego, the forerunner to today's Optimist International Junior Golf Championships. In recent years, Cranford has served as chairman and member of the committee that oversees the Optimist Junior Golf program. Hugh passed away in 2014.

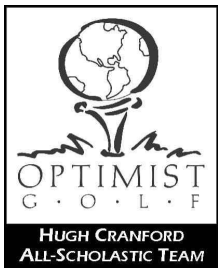
The Optimist Junior Golf Committee will review applications and all applicants will be notified of their status in writing by May 1, 2015. Applicants will be considered based on their academic record but must also show that they have acceptable tournament experience to be able to compete at the international level. In addition, all applicants' community service experience will be reviewed for consideration for the "Bringing Out the Best In Kids" Community Service Award.



For questions contact

Sharon Parton, Junior Golf Manager
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Thank you for your interest in the Hugh Cranford All-Scholastic Team.



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The Hugh Cranford All-Scholastic Team will consist of up to five junior golfers with high school graduation years of 2015, 2016 or 2017 and who will not turn 19 on or before July 31, 2015. Applications must be postmarked by April 5, 2015. Applications will be reviewed by the Optimist Junior Golf Committee. Applicants will be notified of their status in writing by May 1, 2015. Junior golfers selected to the team receive an automatic exemption into the 2015 Optimist International Junior Golf Championships. Exemption includes an invitation to participate and the registration fee (inclusive of tournament entry, hotel accommodations and meals) will be waived. Applicants will be considered based on their academics, but must also show that they have acceptable golf experience to be able to play at the international level.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (please print or type)

NAME: _____ MALE _____ FEMALE _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE/PROVINCE, ZIP/POSTAL CODE: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

AGE (AS OF July 31, 2015): _____ DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

HS GRADUATION DATE (MONTH, YEAR): _____ CURRENT YEAR IN SCHOOL: FRESHMAN SOPHOMORE JUNIOR SENIOR

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

SCHOOL: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE/PROVINCE, ZIP/POSTAL CODE: _____

PRINCIPAL OR COUNSELOR: _____

CURRENT GPA ON SCALE (i.e. 3.9 of 4.0): _____ CUMULATIVE GPA: _____ CURRENT CLASS RANK (i.e. 6 of 345) _____

SAT SCORES (if applicable) Critical Reading: _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ Composite Score: _____

PSAT SCORES (if applicable) Critical Reading: _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ Composite Score: _____

ACT SCORES (if applicable) English: _____ Math: _____ Reading: _____ Science: _____ Composite Score: _____

CURRENT COURSE LOAD AND GRADES: _____

PLEASE ATTACH COPIES OF ONLY THE FOLLOWING SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: CURRENT SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT, MOST-RECENT GRADE REPORTS AND TEST RESULTS. ADDITIONAL ATTACHMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

LIST COMMUNITY SERVICE EXPERIENCE AND HOW MANY HOURS YOU WORKED ON PROJECT(S)

GOLF EXPERIENCE

CURRENT HANDICAP INDEX: _____ GOLFWEEK RANKING (if known): _____ JR GOLF SCOREBOARD RANKING (if known): _____

FIVE (5) MOST RECENT COMPETITIVE STATE/PROVINCIAL, REGIONAL, NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR GOLF TOURNAMENTS:

DATE	TOURNAMENT NAME	SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	ROUND-BY-ROUND SCORES	FINISH/FIELD SIZE
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

THREE (3) MOST RECENT OPTIMIST DISTRICT, NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR TOURNAMENTS:

DATE	TOURNAMENT NAME	SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	ROUND-BY-ROUND SCORES	FINISH/FIELD SIZE
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Essay Topic

Please attach your essay on the following topic: **“Mark Twain once described golf as “a good walk spoiled.” What do you think about that?** Essay must be typed and double-spaced. 250 word minimum and 500 word maximum.

RETURN INFORMATION

Please complete the signatures to the right and mail to the address below (faxed or e-mailed copies will not be considered). **Application must be postmarked no later than April 5, 2015 and received in St. Louis Office by April 10, 2015. Send to:**

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I, the undersigned, certify that the information included in this application is true to the best of my knowledge and that falsification of any information will automatically remove me as an applicant. I also give permission for Optimist International to contact my school for confirmation of GPA, grades and awards.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____