

Dear Prospective Volunteers,

The world's largest junior golf tournament is only a few months away! The U.S. Kids Golf World and Teen World Championships are returning to the Pinehurst area for the 13th year. Events of this magnitude are not possible without the help of wonderful volunteers from all around the community. U.S. Kids Golf is in need of your help once again this year!

The Pinehurst area has always offered wonderful volunteer opportunities and the 2018 World Championships offers a chance to be a part of something very special and unique. This year's tournament will feature 2,200 kids, ages 5-18, from over 52 countries and all 50 states. Families from all over the globe will be visiting Aberdeen, Pinehurst, Southern Pines, West End, and Whispering Pines.

Tournament Dates

Teen World Championship (ages 13-18): July 26 – 28, 2018

World Championship (ages 5-12): August 2 – 4, 2018

Host Courses

Aberdeen: Legacy Golf Links

Pinehurst: Resort Courses No. 1, 2, 5, 8 and 9

Southern Pines: Longleaf, Midland CC, Mid Pines Inn & GC, Pine Needles Lodge & GC, Mid South, Talamore Golf Resort

West End: Beacon Ridge

Whispering Pines: CC of Whispering Pines

The community has benefitted from this prestigious event over the last several years. The combined local economic impact since the U.S. Kids Golf World Championships moved to Pinehurst is over \$100 million. This amazing partnership has also helped steer U.S. Kids Golf Foundation, headquartered in Norcross, GA, to purchase Longleaf Golf and Family Club on Midland Road as home to their U.S. Kids Golf Academy.

Due to the large number of competitors and courses involved, volunteer and community support is critical for success. The ongoing dedication to the game and the passion exhibited by our resident-volunteers is a unique characteristic of the community. We would like to personally thank you for previously volunteering and offer you a chance to be a part of this championship event once again. The two championships will require **650 volunteers** over the course of two weeks. Please feel free to share this information with your family and friends.

The U.S. Kids Golf Foundation **Volunteer Registration Page** is officially open! It will allow volunteers to directly register themselves for their preferred course, activity, date and time shift. The registration system is accessible via the following link: www.uskidsgolf.com/volunteers. Simply complete the application for the course(s) you would like to volunteer at and be sure to select "Submit" at the bottom. The U.S. Kids Golf volunteer homepage will include a detailed description of each shift type in case you are unsure what activity fits you best. Confirmation of schedules and further event information will be sent in the coming months as we approach the event. We encourage you to register as soon as possible to ensure your preferred assignment.

We will conduct a volunteer orientation and training meeting on July 11th at 4:00 pm in the Carolina Hotel. Uniform distribution will be held from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm the same day in the Dogwood Room (Carolina Hotel).

We encourage you to join your fellow community members and neighbors in helping to put on the world's largest junior golf tournament. **If you have any issues with the registration process or questions about volunteering, do not hesitate to reach out to U.S. Kids Golf Headquarters Volunteer Coordinator Casey Truelove at 770-441-3077, ext. 6504.**

Regards,

Richard Lawson, Pinehurst Volunteer Chairman