

555 GOLF ACADEMY

'PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE'

SENIOR MATRICULATION

Little attributes at the right time in the right place make all the difference in one's world. Nails in a horseshoe! King Richard III's trusty steed, through no fault of his own, shed a hind shoe in the heat of battle and went lame. The King, forced to dismount, stood, quite handicapped, on the battlefield. Just prior to his being slain he spoke these words:

"MY KINGDOM FOR A HORSE!"

William Shakespeare

Life's like this.
GOLF too!
Tend to details!

'GOLF Consequences' might feel as unforgiving, but aren't!

It's still just a game!

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SENIOR MATRICULATION
the University of GOLF

Developing Street Smarts
and Practical Life Skills

Parents of an actual 'Senior Student' who is about to matriculate from high school or post secondary education might take a moment to think carefully about the value of a good 'Game Of Golf'. About their own key value as parents?

This '**Game**' teaches us some of the skills and lots of the discipline of life, a little like the mock battles and kills that the lioness instils in her cubs for several years before they actually join the hunt. It could be successfully argued that '**GOLF Is Life In**

Microcosm' with all the highs and lows, successes and failures, tests of skill, judgement, courage and character, brevity and longevity, priorities and frivolities, as well as the tender touches and bold strokes of full passion and being?

1) **PRACTICAL VALUE:**

'GOLF Is Of Real Value! If my son, your son, any son skipped a credit-yielding high-school class to get in a challenging and focused round of golf with quality people, would he be cheating himself by replacing time in front of a modern typical secondary educator with an opportunity of subjecting himself to the rigours of sticking a #5 iron 190 yards, or a 'Bump & Run 130 Yard One-Hop-Stopper', two feet from the heart of a birdie? ... and doing so in the presence of great company, perhaps a 'Golf Teacher'? I think not and sincerely hope you too have a son or daughter and agree with this 'Country Gentleman Golf Teacher' and writer.

2) **JOB APPLICATION:**

Think about the **'EFFECTIVE VALUE'** of a good general education. Now include learning **'GOLF'** properly with its traditional etiquette, skills and discipline. Envision, for a moment if you will, all the idiosyncrasies, bumps and bruises of the process of getting a high school education, senior matriculation, ceremony, diploma and all.

With diploma in hand, your son or daughter is standing before a corporate committee, friendly but a little daunting, big or small, powerful or humble, which is reviewing resumes with the intention of hiring right away. Having been **'short-listed'**, your child is standing before this committee.

He or she has the ability to not only submit but also to observe the results of two (2) different resumes being submitted. Both about him or herself! The first is with a substantial secondary school, or even post secondary school record and the other with precisely the same scholastic and experiential results, but including the following four powerful letters of recommendation. Let's consider the opportunities and ramifications.

3) **VIEWING THE RESULTS:**

'Four Letters'

1) from the **'Director' of your families 'Golf & Country Club'** about a very successful past four years, including being a caddie, working in the pro shop, having completed the full instructional programme and playing very well indeed.

2) from a respected **‘Teaching Professional, Head Professional or Club Captain’** who speaks highly of your learning skills and dedication to tasks, as well as your ability to compete and win four local junior club test championships and placing second in the recent open ‘Best Ball Tournament’.

3) from **‘Director of the Amateur Golf Association’** who invites your continuing participation toward improving your game and perhaps one day representing your country or, ultimately, playing for a living on the PGA or World Tour

4) from the **‘Head Of Your Church’** who speaks highly of your importance in the community and looks forward to many growing productive years to come.

The sublimated net statement in these four messages is that your son or daughter is a person of high-quality and integrity, has ‘Desire’, is ‘Truthful’ and ‘Open-Minded’, is disciplined and dedicated, learns well and plays to a scratch handicap.

WHICH RESUME DO YOU THINK WILL PREVAIL?

For our youth, male or female, high scholastic achievers or otherwise, a well-designed ‘GOLF Regimen’ is of very real and significant value. It is the ‘Stuff’ corporate executives and happy fulfilled adults and parents are made of ... **‘Up The Rungs Of The Ladder Of Success We Go’**. Every fifth person in North America has, plays or will play GOLF. Golf is 70,000,000 folks in the Western Hemisphere who are not only consumers but also employers and employees. Quite an opportunity knocking!

It is said that ‘Opportunity Only Knocks Once’! I believe it may knock a couple of times, but do not waste even one muted rap on your door. It may be a fleeting opportunity?

Golf provides ingredients for a successful recipe to life. The game is a key that can unlock many doors and in all this, it is a ‘Life-Long-Leisure Skill’, which, as long as you can still walk, will chauffeur you down the smooth road to relaxation, camaraderie and a healthier but always all-too-short time here on earth.

Don’t miss a moment of it!

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**“A wise man knows most everything.
A shrewd man most everyone!”**

(Chinese Proverb)

**“Welcome Aboard!”
“Enjoy The Ride!”**

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