



1. On the green, *Max Rippley, 10*, goes for a par three. Rippley tries his hardest to make his team proud. Rippley joined the golf team because he lives on a golf course and wanted to be on a team since he didn't play football. "My favorite experience was winning the JV tournament," Rippley said. *photo by aniston mcniel.* **2.** Swinging through his long drive, *Alek Rodriguez, 12*, finishes his swing. Rodriguez has been playing golf competitively since freshman year and really improved this season. Rodriguez enjoys getting to know the guys on the team and spending time outside. "I really liked going to the course and playing with the guys and just talking hole to hole," Rodriguez said. *photo by lily dozier.*

"Is this for yearbook? I gotta say something good then. I think the team did really good this year. I'm not really sure though."

Max Rippley, 10



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The boys golf team triumphed through many tournaments and continued to learn new ways to improve themselves, while also having fun as a team. Personal improvements have been a huge accomplishment of every player this year. The team ended the season with two players making their way to state.

To most players, golf is a huge stress reliever and way to clear their minds. Golf is a way for the boys to get outside and just focus on the game and having fun with their friends. "My favorite thing

about golf is that it's just super relaxing, you can just go to the course and not have to think about anything else," *Nate Jones, 12*, said.

At the closing of the season, *Kyle Wade, 12*, and *Trevor Bradley, 12*, both qualified for state. "The team came first in 4A at the Bear Scramble that we did at Air Academy. Trevor and I both qualified for state which is awesome. We also had a few 3rd and 4th place finishes which is pretty good," Wade said. *story by grace lusk.*

BOYS GOLF HAS FUN ON THE FIELD AND SENDS TWO PLAYERS TO STATE

Not Just Playing A ROUND

Cronk's New Groove

BOYS GOLF GAINED A NEW COACH, JOSH CRONK, WHO HAS MADE POSITIVE IMPACTS



"He's really nice. He has a different philosophy to golf than our last coach and I enjoy him just letting us play," *Alek Rodriguez, 12*, said.

"I've really liked the practices this year because we got our new coach and he's just a lot more fun," *Nate Jones, 12*, said.

"Coach Cronk is super nice and has changed the environment on the team by making it really fun," *Kyle Wade, 12*, said.



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3. On the green putting for a birdie, *Kyle Wade, 12*, aims for the hole. Wade is a team player and pushes himself to achieve his goals. "My best tournament experience was probably regionals because I woke up with a 103 degree fever and I ended up qualifying for state," Wade said. *photo by lily dozier.* **4.** Removing the pin, *Nate Jones, 12*, helps Wade make it in the hole. Jones uses golf as an escape from his thoughts. Jones started playing golf his sophomore year and has enjoyed playing the last three years. "My favorite thing about golf is that it's just super relaxing. You can just go to the course and not have to think about anything else," Jones said. *photo by lily dozier.* **5.** Teeing off, *Trevor Bradley, 12*, goes for the swing. Bradley gives a lot of dedication and hard work to golf. He has been playing for two years. "We've had two people, me and Kyle, qualify for state and that's amazing. My best tournament experience was when I shot a 76," Bradley said. *photo by lily dozier.*

PLAY YOUR OWN WAY



Caleb Peterson, 11

"I try to make sure to keep it in play and try not to lose golf balls so I can minimize mistakes."



Jake Breuer, 11

"I play golf my own way by being the farthest hitter on the team in terms of driver."



Caden Zippwald, 12

"I don't really care about score so it allows me to just have fun with the sport."



Aidan Fletcher, 12

"I'm left handed and my short game is really good."