

Pathfinder Immersion Program Application

First Tee – Greater Charleston hosts a **FREE** year-round golf and STEM immersion program for students on the brink of success. Participants enter the program the summer before 6th grade and continue through high school graduation. They meet Monday-Friday during the summer and on Saturdays during the school year for golf, STEM activities, mentoring, and professional enrichment presentations. Healthy meals, transportation, and equipment are included at no cost.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

The Pathfinder Immersion Program is **only open to rising 6th graders** who complete 5th grade in spring of 2024. An ideal candidate is in need of long-term summer enrichment and is eager to develop new skills—on and off the golf course—while exploring future career opportunities. **No prior golf experience is required.**

ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

Daily attendance is required for summer sessions (summer 2024 session will be June 17-July 26). Exceptions will be made for illness, family emergencies, and moderate pre-planned travel. Attendance on Saturdays throughout the school year is desired as your child's schedule permits.

SAMPLE SUMMER SCHEDULE

- 8:00a-8:45a: pick-ups (Downtown Charleston, West Ashley, and Park Circle) in First Tee Van/Mini Buses
- 8:45a-9:00a: parent drop off at Charleston Day School
- 9:00a-9:20a: breakfast provided by First Tee at Charleston Day School
- 9:20a-9:30a: transportation to partnering golf courses
- 9:30a-12:00p: golf and life skills programming
- 12:00p-12:15p: transportation back to Charleston Day School
- 12:15p-12:45p: lunch provided by First Tee
- 12:45p-3:30p: afternoon enrichment, speakers, and STEM activities
- 3:30p-3:45p: parent pick-up from Charleston Day School
- 3:30p-4:30p: drop-offs in First Tee Van/Mini Buses (Downtown Charleston, West Ashley, North Charleston-Park Circle)

Please note that Thursdays are field trip days. Pick-ups and drop offs will be held as usual, and the full group will depart for the field trip location after breakfast.

SCHOOLYEAR SCHEDULE

Enrichment activities and locations vary. Pickup locations remain the same (Downtown, West Ashley, and Park Circle). You will receive weekly communication regarding what to expect.

*Applications are due Monday, April 29, 2024.

**PLEASE NOTE: Additional information is required for this year's application. Please see the checklist at the end of this application to make sure your application is complete before submitting. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Student's Full Name:	Date of Birth:
Preferred Name:	Gender:
Ethnicity:	Does your child have any allergies? If so, please list them.
Height:	Left- or right-handed:
School Attended 2023-2024:	Grade Completed 2023-2024:
Please attach your child's last report card to this application.	
School student ID #:	Shirt and shoes sizes:
Is your child on an I.E.P. (individualized education plan)? If so, please attach documentation.	Does the child have any medical conditions that coaches should be aware of? If so, please list them.
Does your child take any medications? If so, please list them.	 What else should know about your child (check all that apply)? works well with others works well independently needs assistance when filling out documents needs help when operating a computer needs more time when completing tasks other:

Home Address:	City, State, Zip:
Parent/Guardian's Name:	Email Address:
Phone Number:	Secondary Phone Number:
Emergency Contact Person:	Relationship to Child:
Emergency Contact Phone Number:	Emergency Contact Secondary Phone Number:
Who does the child live with?	What languages are spoken at home?
Will your child be dropped off each morning (8:45am) and picked up each afternoon (3:45pm) at Charleston Day School? Yes No	If you require transportation, where would your child like to be picked up/dropped off? St. Julian Devine Community Center West Ashley-Sam Rittenberg Mc Donald's North Charleston-Park Circle Cannot transport to listed locations
Annual household income: \$0-\$25,000 \$25,000-\$50,000 \$50,000-\$75,000 \$75,000-\$100,000 \$100,000 or more	Does your family benefit from any financial assistance programs such as free/reduced school lunch, SNAP, or subsidized housing? If so, please list them.
Health insurance provider:	Health insurance policy number:

Is there anything else you would like us to know about your child?

Are there any days (Monday-Friday, June 17-July 26) that you know your child will not be able to attend the Pathfinder Immersion summer program? **Please note that there will be no camp on Thursday, July 4, 2024**.

How did you hear about the Pathfinder Immersion Program?

□ child's school (please provide school name and name of referring teacher)

another organization/program (please provide program name, i.e. Be A Mentor)

□ other: ______

CHECKLIST - Please include the following with your application:

- Copy of child's <u>most recent report card</u>
- □ Copy of child's current I.E.P. (if applicable)
- Applicant statement Please have your child write one paragraph about one or more of the following topics:
 - Do you want to learn about golf? Why?
 - Are you passionate about an aspect of STEM?
 - Do you want to go to college or trade school and want help getting there?
 - o What qualities make you a good Pathfinder candidate, friend, or student?

If my child is accepted into the Pathfinder Immersion Program, I fully support their efforts. I understand that daily attendance and participation is REQUIRED for the duration of the 6-week summer session. I will make sure my child is on time and ready to participate in activities. My child may be photographed and video-recorded for social media and fundraising purposes. I also agree to submit progress reports as received from school for First Tee to monitor the student's academic performance. I understand that this is a multi-year program with weekend opportunities throughout the school year and camps during future summers.

Parent/Legal Guardian Name:	
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Signature: _____Date: _____

Please mail or scan/email the completed application to Lerone Johnson by **April 29, 2024**: Lerone Johnson (Director of Special Programs) First Tee – Greater Charleston 321 Wingo Way, Suite 201, Mount Pleasant, SC 29464 <u>lerone@firstteechs.org</u>