



CARDHOLDING MEMBER – CERTIFICATION LEVELS

The First Tee is a **youth development** program. Participants advance from one level to the next based on their progression and mastery of various **golf AND life skills**. The time it takes for a member to advance from one level to the next varies with each participant. It is common for participants to repeat classes at every level. Participants must meet certain requirements before advancing to a new level.

Below is a “quick glance” of those requirements:

LEVEL	AGE (minimum)	CORE LESSONS	REQUIREMENTS TO COMPLETE LEVEL
PLAYer	7	<p><u>EXPOSURE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and Showing Respect Courtesy Toward Others Responsibility for the Course The Honesty of PLAYers Modeling Sportsmanship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create thank you card for donors Demonstrate proper playing of 3-holes in a timely, safe & polite manner, recording score accurately
Advanced PLAYer	7	<p><u>MASTERY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and Showing Respect Courtesy Toward Others Responsibility for the Course The Honesty of PLAYers Modeling Sportsmanship Developing Confidence Using Good Judgment Playing with Perseverance Living with Integrity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life Skills Application - Repeatedly demonstrate understanding of core lessons Score 80% or higher on Life Skills and Golf Knowledge written assessments Completion of a 9-hole putting course in a fast, safe & courteous manner recording score accurately Play (1), 9-hole round in a fast, safe & courteous manner, recording score accurately outside of class Participants MUST complete (2) Cycles of this level
Par	8	<p><u>EXPOSURE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring the Game Respecting the Rules Meeting and Greeting with A-L-R Having Fun While You Learn Staying Cool Finding Your Personal Par 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of a 3-hole short game course in a max of 18 strokes Completion of 9-hole putting course in a max of 35 strokes Play (1), 9-hole round in a max of 83 strokes, distance between 1,100-1,500 yards outside of class
Advanced Par	9	<p><u>MASTERY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring the Game Respecting the Rules Meeting and Greeting with A-L-R Having Fun While You Learn Staying Cool Finding Your Personal Par 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Score 80% or higher on Life Skills and Golf Knowledge written assessments Life Skills Application - Repeatedly demonstrate understanding of core lessons Play (1), 9-hole round in a score of 72 or less, distance between 1,500-1,900 yards outside of class Completion of a 9-hole putting course in a max of 27 strokes

Advanced Par	9		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of 3-hole short game course in a max of 12 strokes • Participants MUST complete (2) Cycles of this level
LEVEL	AGE (minimum)	CORE LESSONS	REQUIREMENTS TO COMPLETE LEVEL
Birdie	10	<p><u>EXPOSURE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dreams and Goals • Setting Goals that are Positive and Important to You • Setting Goals that are Specific • Setting Goals that Are Under Your Control • Getting to Your Goal • Dealing with Challenges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serve as a chapter representative at various functions • Play (2), 9-hole rounds in a max of 63 strokes, distance between 1,900-2,500 yards outside of class • Completion of a 9-hole putting course in a max of 23 strokes • Hit 1 out of 6 Greens • Participants MUST complete (2) Cycles of this level
Advanced Birdie	11	<p><u>MASTERY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dreams and Goals • Setting Goals that are Positive and Important to You • Setting Goals that are Specific • Setting Goals that Are Under Your Control • Getting to Your Goal • Dealing with Challenges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Skills Application - Repeatedly demonstrate understanding of core lessons • Serve as a chapter representative at various functions • Achieve 80% or higher on both Life Skills and Golf Knowledge written assessments • Play (3), 9-hole rounds in a max of 63 strokes, distance between 1,900-2,500 yards outside of class • Completion of a 6-hole short game course in a max of 21 strokes • Hit 2 out of 6 Greens • Participants MUST complete (2) Cycles of this level
Eagle	12	<p><u>MASTERY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay Well for Life • Building a Go-to Team • Appreciating Diversity • Dealing with Conflicts • Be a Go-to Person • Planning for the Future 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Skills Application - Repeatedly demonstrate understanding of core lessons • Score 80% or higher on Life Skills and Golf Knowledge written assessments • Play (10), 18-hole rounds in a max of 108 strokes, distance between 5,000-6,000 yards outside of class • Completion of a 9-hole putting course in a max of 18 strokes • Completion of a 9-hole short game course in a max of 27 strokes • Hit 3 out of 6 fairways AND greens • Participants MUST complete (4) Cycles of this level
Ace	14	<p><u>MASTERY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enjoy Golf for Life • Investigate Career Opportunities • Give Back-Serve as a volunteer or junior coach • Explore Educational Opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Skills Application - Repeatedly demonstrate understanding of core lessons • Enjoy Golf for Life • Investigate Career Opportunities • Give Back-Serve as a volunteer or junior coach • Explore Educational Opportunities • Participants MUST complete (4) Cycles of this level