## 37<sup>th</sup> Annual HBCU Golf Invitational Hosted by NBCA Hall of Fame & Black College Golf Coaches Association at Chateau Elan September 26 & 27, 2022

## Notice to Competitors

**LOCAL RULES:** In addition to the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf effective January 1, 2019, and their interpretations and clarifications as approved by the R&A and USGA, the MHSAA Golf Rules and Conditions (Hard Card), the Terms of the Competition for all MHSAA championships, the following Local Rules shall be in effect:

Format: 54 Holes Stroke Play

Tees: Play will be from BLUE tee markers for WOMEN and the GREEN tee markers for MEN.

<u>Out of Bounds</u>: Defined by the inside edge of white lines, and white stakes on holes 1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 15, 17, and 18 (as well as any other holes where there are white OB stakes). In addition, the inside edge of any road bordering the course defines out of bounds. The ball is out of bounds, even if it comes to rest on another part of the course after crossing the road.

**Penalty Areas:** Identified by red stakes and defined by red freshly painted lines on the ground. **In addition**, all areas with the tall grass or other vegetation where the mowing has stopped are red penalty areas on this course. The edge of the penalty area is defined by the outside edge of the tall grass or other vegetation where it meets the mowed grass. The player is entitled to take relief under Rule 17 as long as it is known or virtually certain that the ball crossed the edge of the tall grass. *If it is not known or virtually certain that the ball could be out of bounds or lost outside the penalty area*—the player must proceed under Rule 18 (play from the previous spot and add a one stroke penalty).

<u>Abnormal Course Conditions</u>: Includes Animal Holes, Ground Under Repair (defined by freshly painted white lines), Immovable Obstructions, Temporary Water. French drains are deemed to be ground under repair. Mandatory free relief must be taken from all flower beds not in a penalty area. The large area of dirt on the left side of hole #4 is all ground under repair. Free relief as provided in rule 16.1.

<u>Obstructions</u>: Cart paths, dirt extensions of cart paths, buildings within the boundary of the course, PVC sleeves for yardage markers and utility boxes are immovable obstructions. Rule 16.1. For immovable obstructions (usually sprinkler heads) located within two club lengths of the putting green, free relief is available per Model Local Rule F-5. The ball must be within two club lengths of the obstruction. Call for ruling help if this situation arises.

Scorecards: Turn in scorecards as instructed by your coach.

Tie Breaker: Will start on hole #18 with a sudden victory based on low score for the medalist. See the manual for a team tiebreaker.

Phone Terry Kildea if you have a rules question or need a ruling. His cell number is 517-202-9378. And explain what hole you are on and what part of the hole Rules Committee: Craig Bowen, Rod Jackson, and Terry Kildea

