

Bergen County Department of Parks

is proud to sponsor

The Clinic

Instructional class, for the beginner age 8-18 that covers all aspects of the game including etiquette and the rules. Participants will rotate through stations covering putting, chipping, pitching, sand play, driving and irons. Stations will vary each week.

Time: Clinic participants should arrive 15 minutes before the scheduled start and check in at the registration table.

Water/Hat/Sunscreen: Summers at Darlington golf course are HOT! All participants must bring their own water and should wear sunscreen and a hat.

The Q Tour

For the intermediate golfer age 9-18 who understands the basics of the game, but cannot consistently break 60 for nine holes. All golfers under the age of 13 must participate and qualify on the Q-Tour first in order to be eligible to play in the Pioneer Junior Tour.

VOLUNTEERS: **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** to chaperone groups, no golf experience necessary. Players will be paired randomly, cannot chaperone relatives/friends.

Spectators: NO SPECTATORS

Time: Q Tour participants should arrive 20 minutes before scheduled start. Upon arrival each contestant must check in, then proceed to the assigned starting position.

Walking the course: All participants are expected to walk the course. Pull carts are allowed, must bring own.

Mandatory Dress Code: **Participants in all programs must adhere to the dress code.** Tucked in collared shirts with sleeves, golf shoes(w/non-metal spikes) or sneakers, slacks, bermuda type shorts. NOT PERMITTED: Sweat pants, spandex pants, bike shorts, jeans, halter tops, tank tops. Anyone not meeting dress code requirements will not be allowed to participate. NO REFUND.

Choose either Pioneer Clinic or Pioneer Qualifying Tour. ONLY ONE PROGRAM ALLOWED PER CHILD..

Inclement Weather: Please **call or email the Golf Administration Office:201.336.7259 or bergengolf@bergencountyNJ.gov** for program status. Rainouts are not rescheduled.

Additional Information: Bergen County offers all persons equal access and opportunities to participate in its services, programs and activities. If an individual needs special assistance, please call or email the **Golf Administration Office: 201.336.7259 or bergengolf@bergencountyNJ.gov**

The Pioneer Junior Tour is competitive tournament golf for Juniors aged 13-18. Interested applicants aged 9-12 must first participate and qualify in the Q Tour and be promoted by Q Tour Officials in order to be eligible to play in The Pioneer Junior Tour. The Pioneer Junior Tour application will be available in June on our website at golfbergencounty.com.



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Soldier Hill Golf Course
99 Palisade Avenue
Emerson, NJ 07630
201-336-7259

Pioneer Junior Clinic Information

Who: Clinics are for the beginning junior golfer ages 8-18. (Age determined as of August 1). **Copy of birth certificate must be enclosed with application.**

Clubs: Each golfer will need to bring a Putter and an Iron (Wedge and Driver are optional) to each session.

Session: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Fee: **\$100.00 - Must be enclosed with application.** Fee includes application fee. Program provides instruction as well as contests and games.

Registration: Due to overwhelming interest in this program, it may sometimes be necessary to choose participants by lottery. In order to be eligible for the lottery the application must be received by May 30, 2025. Applications received after this time will be accepted only if space is available on a first come, first serve basis.

Water/Hat/Sunscreen: All participants must bring their own water and should wear sunscreen and a hat.

Clinic Schedule

Dates	Location
Tuesday, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & August 5,	Darlington Driving Range 201.634.3168

Clinic will cover: Introduction to golf, rules and regulations and golf etiquette. Set up - posture, grip, alignment. Concept and Principles of the full swing including rhythm and balance. Putting, chipping, sandplay, and introduction to the golf course.

Pioneer Qualifying Tour (Q Tour) Information

Who: The Q Tour is for the intermediate junior golfer ages 9-18. (Age determined as of August 1). **Copy of birth certificate must be enclosed with application.**

Time: Program Session #1: 12:00 - 2:30 #2: 3:00 - 5:30

Fee: **\$95.00 - Must be enclosed with application.** \$75.00 for the five session program, plus \$20.00 application fee.

Clubs: All golfers should bring their own golf equipment to each session. **Pull carts** are allowed, must bring own.

Registration: Limited. Maximum 70 participants per session. Due to the popularity of this program it may sometimes be necessary to choose participants by a lottery. In order to be eligible for the lottery this application must be received by May 30, 2025. Applications received after this time will be accepted only if space is available on a first come, first serve basis.

Water/Hat/Sunscreen: All participants must bring their own water and should wear sunscreen and a hat.

Q Tour Schedule

Dates	Location
Monday, June 30, July 7, 14, 21, & 28	Orchard Hills, Paramus (201) 447-3782