

The First Tee of Houston/Redstone

A core operation of the Houston Golf Association, The First Tee of Houston/Redstone is a **youth development program** that uses golf as a tool to teach young people the positive values inherent in the game of golf such as honesty, integrity, sportsmanship and confidence. Research has proven that our participants are learning and using life skills such as goal setting, interpersonal communication, self-management and resistance skills in their daily lives.



Our vision is to continue this success by creating more opportunities for children to be exposed to character education in school and at green-grass facilities.

More than 50,000 youngsters have taken part and programming is **free** to any child 7-18 years of age.

School Involvement

Physical educators from four school districts – Aldine, Clear Creek, Dickinson, Galena Park and Humble – currently introduce The First Tee Nine Core Values to students during P.E. in grades K-5.

Facility

Facilities such as the Dick Harmon Learning Center – a 6,500 square foot multi-purpose building and three hole, par-3 course and putting green – provide safe, accessible environments for proper delivery of The First Tee Life Skills Curriculum.

Year Established

April 2004



Become Involved

You can help The First Tee of Houston/Redstone through various volunteer activities including, but not limited to, mentoring, special events, promotion and fundraising. Please see the list below:

Mentoring (Contact: Brian Ladet, bladet@hga.org)

- **The First Tee Coach**

The First Tee Coaches are actively enrolled in The First Tee Coach Program and attend network training over a period of 3-4 years. An individual interested in leading classes and dedicating more than 75 hours a year to instruction should consider this avenue.



- **Lead Mentor**

Lead mentors organize and lead other volunteers in the delivery of life skills, golf skills, class set up, and procedures. They ensure that programming and activities are consistent with The First Tee Life Skills Experience.

- **Mentor**

Mentors assist staff and lead mentors in teaching The First Tee Life Skills Experience to participants provide positive feedback, and encourage participant behavior to help ensure a safe learning environment.

- **Clerical Support**

Volunteers are needed to help during classes with answering the phone, registration, filing and data entry.

- **Special Events Volunteer**

Volunteers that help with special events assist staff with fundraising events like the Shell Houston Open. Activities include promoting the program, organizing activities for participants, passing out information, and soliciting donations.

Giving Opportunities

(Contact: Dianne Overstreet, doverstreet@hga.org)

- **Evening with the Houston Golf Association at Morton's The Steakhouse**

This annual event is held at Morton's, The Steakhouse (1001 McKinney, Houston, TX 77002) and benefits The First Tee of Houston/Redstone.

- **Brick Purchase**

Bricks to be placed on the walkway leading into the Dick Harmon Learning are \$250 each. The Dick Harmon Learning Center serves as the headquarters for The First Tee of Houston/Redstone as well as the Media Center during the PGA TOUR Shell Houston Open. Each brick has room for three lines of text with 13 characters in each line.

- **Sponsor a School/District**

Help bring The First Tee Nine Core Values to children in elementary schools by providing safe equipment, curriculum based on national physical education standards, and training of P.E. teachers. The cost per school is \$3,040.

- **Equipment donations**

Include golf clubs, golf balls, accessories, etc... Donated equipment may be dropped off at our office in Humble, Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. A great need exists for new or used junior golf equipment.



- **Needs List**

An updated *Needs List* for in-kind donations for our chapter is located online at www.thefirstteehoustonredstone.org under "Donations & Contributions."

- **Monetary donations**

Make an online donation via credit card at www.thefirstteehoustonredstone.org.

Volunteer Opportunities



The First Tee of Houston/Redstone

Houston Golf Association (HGA) is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt 501c (3) organization whose mission is to enhance the future of Houston area youth through golf. The First Tee of Houston/Redstone is a youth development program and one of HGA's primary operations.

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