

Kids get a grip!

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A program teaching golf, sportsmanship and life lessons is a hole in one for city kids.

"It teaches them honesty and the ethics of the game," said Joe Leary, assistant golf professional at the George Wright Golf Course. "It teaches them responsibility. If they want to come out to play, they have to dress right, they're going to have to follow the etiquette rules of golf."

Kids involved in the seven-week clinic learn golf skills including proper grip and posture, and then get to take to the golf course.

The program launched seven years ago. Leary said many of his students now play on high school teams, with one on a college team.

"We've never turned a kid away and we've never charged a kid for a lesson," Leary said.

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