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## Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship announces player commitments for 2024 field

**Columbus, Ohio** – At 10:00 a.m. EDT Tournament Officials announced the 118-player field of Korn Ferry Tour players who are eligible and have committed to compete in the 2024 Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship.

The following players finished within the top 120 on the Korn Ferry Tour points list after last week's Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation in Franklin, Tennessee, and will play in the third of four Korn Ferry Tour Finals events being hosted this coming week, September 16-22, at The Ohio State University Golf Club in Columbus, Ohio.

The current field of competitors for Columbus is highlighted by all of the top 25 players in the Korn Ferry Tour Points List and includes a number of past winners on the Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR, collectively representing 59 Korn Ferry Tour wins and six TOUR victories.

### 2024 FIELD OF COMPETITORS AS OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024, AT 10:00 A.M. (EST)

Andersen, Mason	Gabrelcik, Nick	Limbhasut, KK	Seiffert, Chase
Atkins, Matt	Gainey, Tommy	Long, Adam	Shore, Davis
Baker, Chris	Garber, Joey	Maguire, Jack	Smotherman, Austin
Bateman, Wil	Gerard, Ryan	McAllister, Logan	Solomon, Jacob
Bauchou, Zach	Gibson, Rhein	McCarthy, Dan	Steelman, Ross
Bennett, Sam	Goetz, Mark	McCarty, Matt	Suber, Jackson
Biondi, Fred	Gómez, Fabián	McGreevy, Max	Summerhays, Daniel
Blanchet, Chandler	Gonzalez, Emilio	Meissner, Mitchell	Suri, Julian
Blaum, Ryan	Goodwin, Noah	Mouw, William	Thornberry, Braden
Blick, Cody	Gore, Tanner	Naegel, Chris	Tuten, Shad
Board, Dillon	Goya, Tano	Nimmer, Bryson	VanDerLaan, John
Byrd, Marcus	Grant, Brent	Noh, S.Y.	Velo, Kevin
Campbell, Brian	Greaser, Austin	Nyholm, Pontus	Ventura, Kris
Cao, Yi	Hall, Ryan	Onishi, Kaito	Vilips, Karl
Capan III, Frankie	Hammer, Cole	Oppenheim, Rob	Vogel, T.J.
Castillo, Ricky	Harkins, Brandon	Ortiz, Alvaro	Walker, Danny
Chandler, Will	Higgs, Harry	Pak, John	Walsh, Thomas
Chatfield, Davis	Hitt, Austin	Papineau, Étienne	Ward, Dalton
Cole, Ryan	Hoffmann, Morgan	Paul, Jeremy	Weiler, Joe
Cone, Trevor	Hopfinger, Brad	Peterson, Paul	Welch, Patrick
Cover, Patrick	Huskey, Keenan	Phillips, Trent	Werenski, Richy
Creighton, Myles	Jelley, Brendon	Porter, Charles	Westmoreland, Kyle
Crick, Brandon	Jenkins, Carter	Potgieter, Aldrich	Widing, Tim
Cummins, Quade	Johnson, Michael	Reband, Garrett	Winstead, Trey
Del Solar, Cristobal	Kang, Jeffrey	Redman, Doc	Yellamaraju, Sudarshan
Díaz, Roberto	Knowles, Philip	Reeves, Seth	
Dickson, Taylor	Kocher, David	Riedel, Matthew	<b>118 Players in Field</b>
Docherty, Alistair	Lamb, Davis	Rosenmueller, Thomas	
Dossey, Cooper	Lamb, Rick	Roy, Kevin	
Dou, Zecheng	Lebioda, Hank	Salinda, Isaiah	
Fisk, Steven	Ledesma, Nelson	Schniederjans, Ollie	

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The Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship is one of four Korn Ferry Tour events that help determine which players will earn PGA TOUR membership each season. The top 30 players in the season-long standings at the conclusion of the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Championship will earn PGA TOUR membership for the 2025 season.

There are no longer separate point standings for pre-Finals and Finals events, but rather a cumulative standings structure. A Finals event is no longer a competition for TOUR cards between the top 75 on the Korn Ferry Tour and Nos. 126-200 in the FedExCup standings. Since 2023, “Finals” refers to the final four events of the season, where Korn Ferry Tour members compete for increased purses and points allocation.

The four Finals events – which includes the Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship – feature \$1.5 million purses and award 600 points to each winner. The fields for the Finals will be progressively reduced, starting with 156 players for event No. 1, 144 players for event No. 2 and finishing with 75 players in the final event. The preceding 22 events on the schedule will have a minimum purse of \$1 million – a 67% increase from 2021 to 2024 – and award 500 points to the winner.

The field for the Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship will compete over 72 holes of stroke play, with a cut to the top 60 players and ties after 36 holes. Golf Channel will broadcast tournament coverage from Thursday’s opening round to the trophy presentation on Sunday in high definition.

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## Public Tournament Schedule of Events and Broadcast times *(Schedule times and events subject to change)*

### **THURSDAY, September 19**

- First Round Official Tournament Competition – Gates Open at 6:30 a.m.
- First Shot to Fight Cancer: 7:15 a.m.
- Professional Tee Times begin: 7:30 a.m.\*

#### DAILY ACTIVITIES

- Birdie Time is Miller Time at Pub Thirteen: All Day, located on No. 13
- Food Trucks at Pub Thirteen: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Play Yellow Putting Challenge: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., located on Practice Green

**Broadcast:** Golf Channel: 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

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### **FRIDAY, September 20**

- Second Round Official Tournament Competition – Gates Open at 6:30 a.m.
- Professional Tee Times begin: 7:30 a.m.\*

#### DAILY ACTIVITIES

- Birdie Time is Miller Time at Pub Thirteen: All Day, located on No. 13
- Food Trucks at Pub Thirteen: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Play Yellow Putting Challenge: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., located on Practice Green

**Broadcast:** Golf Channel: 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

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### **SATURDAY, September 21**

- Third Round Official Tournament Competition – Gates Open at 7 a.m.
- Professional Tee Times begin: 7:20 a.m.\*

#### DAILY ACTIVITIES

- Free Graeter’s Ice Cream compliments of Nationwide: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Birdie Time is Miller Time at Pub Thirteen: All Day, located on No. 13
- Food Trucks at Pub Thirteen: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Play Yellow Putting Challenge: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., located on Practice Green

**Broadcast:** Golf Channel: 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

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### **SUNDAY, September 22**

- Final Round Official Tournament Competition – Gates Open at 7 a.m.
- Professional Tee Times begin: 7:20 a.m.\*
- Free Pancake Breakfast: 8 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- Awards Ceremony Following Play of Final Round – Including Last Putt to Cure Cancer Ceremony

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#### DAILY ACTIVITIES

- Play Yellow Putting Challenge: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., located on Practice Green
- Birdie Time is Miller Time at Pub Thirteen: All Day, located on No. 13
- Food Trucks at Pub Thirteen: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Broadcast:** Golf Channel: 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

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*\*All tee times are approximate and subject to change*

For general Tournament information, including how to become a volunteer, please visit [www.ncc-golf.com](http://www.ncc-golf.com) or call (614) 764-GOLF. Stay connected with the Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship on Twitter (@NCHC\_Golf), Instagram (nchcgolf) and Facebook ([www.facebook.com/NationwideChildrensChampionship](http://www.facebook.com/NationwideChildrensChampionship)).

#### **ABOUT THE NATIONWIDE CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship is owned and operated by Champions of the Community, Inc., an Ohio non-profit corporation. The event is one of four Korn Ferry Tour Finals tournaments that will determine the 30 players who earn PGA TOUR playing privileges for the 2025 season and their eligibility position under the TOUR’s enhanced qualifying system. Featuring a purse of \$1,500,000 the tournament is conducted to showcase the best golf on the Korn Ferry Tour on one of the most challenging venues in the world, The Ohio State University – Scarlet Course, for the enjoyment of spectators and to benefit charitable organizations in central Ohio. For more information, call 614-764-GOLF or visit our website at [www.ncc-golf.com](http://www.ncc-golf.com).

#### **ABOUT NATIONWIDE CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL**

Named to the Top 10 Honor Roll on U.S. News & World Report’s 2023-24 list of “Best Children’s Hospitals,” Nationwide Children’s Hospital is one of America’s largest not-for-profit free-standing pediatric health care systems providing unique expertise in pediatric population health, behavioral health, genomics, and health equity as the next frontiers in pediatric medicine, leading to best outcomes for the health of the whole child. Integrated clinical and research programs, as well as prioritizing quality and safety, are part of what allows Nationwide Children’s to advance its unique model of care. Nationwide Children’s has a staff of more than 14,000 that provides state-of-the-art wellness, preventive and rehabilitative care and diagnostic treatment during more than 1.7 million patient visits annually. As home to the Department of Pediatrics of The Ohio State University College of Medicine, Nationwide Children’s physicians train the next generation of pediatricians and pediatric specialists. The Abigail Wexner Research Institute at Nationwide Children’s Hospital is one of the Top 10 National Institutes of Health-funded free-standing pediatric research facilities. More information is available at [NationwideChildrens.org](http://NationwideChildrens.org).

#### **ABOUT KORN FERRY TOUR**

Founded (1990), owned and operated by the PGA TOUR, the Korn Ferry Tour identifies and develops golf’s next stars, preparing them to compete and win on the game’s biggest stage. The Korn Ferry Tour, which has served as a path to the PGA TOUR since its inception, will award 30 PGA TOUR cards based off its points list in 2024, with the No. 1 player earning exemptions into the following year’s PLAYERS Championship and U.S. Open. With more than 650 PGA TOUR titles, 32 major championships and seven FedExCup champions, Korn Ferry Tour alumni make up 83 percent of the PGA TOUR’s current membership. To learn more about the PGA TOUR, the Korn Ferry Tour and to follow the season-long quest for PGA TOUR cards, visit [PGATOUR.COM](http://PGATOUR.COM) or follow the Korn Ferry Tour on social media. At least seven Korn Ferry Tour events are televised annually on Golf Channel in the United States, with tournament coverage available internationally in more than 170 countries and territories via 23 media partners.

#### **ABOUT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT**

The Ohio State University Department of Athletics is completely self-supporting and receives no university monies, tax dollars or student fees. The Department of Athletics sponsors 36 fully funded varsity teams – 17 for women, 16 for men and three that are co-educational – and is committed to providing the very finest in academic and athletics support in an effort to provide its more than 1,000 student-athletes with a quality, life-changing experience at Ohio State.

#### **ABOUT HNS SPORTS GROUP**

HNS Sports Group is a Dublin, Ohio-based LLC founded in 2000. The company offers over 125-plus years of collective experience and is committed to providing professional, efficient and effective client representation in the categories of sponsorship consultation, event management, hospitality management, sales representation and tournament operation within the golf market. To learn more about HNS Sports Group, visit [www.hnssports.com](http://www.hnssports.com).