Dear Parents/Guardians:

If you are reading this letter, it is because your St. Mary’s student has expressed an interest in trying out for the school Golf Team. The team participates in the South Kawartha league initially. Our goal at that level is to qualify either as a team or individually to play at the Kawartha championships. High School golf is a tremendous opportunity for players to play a game they love in a **competitive** setting.

The High School golf season begins almost immediately because our athletes should theoretically have their games in “late-season form”. As a result, students selected to play for our team will have to be sharp and their scores in our tryout need to fall within a certain objective range. Boys need to shoot scores in the ***high 80’s and lower*** to be seriously considered. Golf teams must have a certain level of proficiency for the tournaments to be played in a timely and challenging fashion. Successful boys teams in our league will often have 2 or 3 players shoot scores in the 70’s, at courses like Dalewood and Timber Ridge, to give you some idea of the caliber of play. There are allowances I can make on the girls side of the team, as we are trying to encourage as many girls as possible to take up the game on a more competitive level.

I kindly ask parents to make the effort to get your daughter or son to Dalewood for our tryout tournament on: (***date tbd***). You bringing them to the course will serve as your consent for them to try out. More formal requirements for league travel will be arranged once the team is chosen, but we appreciate your help with this first tryout.

There will be a letter sent home to families of students who are selected to play for our school team. That correspondence will outline our tournament schedule and fees among other pertinent bits of information.

Thank you for reading this and supporting athletics at St. Mary.

Sincerely,

Tim Linehan: Golf Coach

**Tryout Facts: Date: TBD- 2nd week of school (tee times to begin at 3:00 p.m.)**

**Location: Dalewood Golf Course**

**Cost: TBD. Rate quoted will include tax (( Dalewood members free!))**

**Pickup: Likely between 7:30 – 8:00 p.m. at Dalewood.**