



The Founders has been created to provide alumni and friends of West Virginia University the opportunity to support the Athletic Department's effort to re-establish men's golf as a varsity program. With the move to the Big 12 Conference, the addition of a men's sport is essential to mirroring our new peer institutions. The addition of men's golf will place West Virginia University among the best programs in the country, including reigning National Champions, Texas and perennial national power, Oklahoma State.

THE FOUNDERS GOALS:

- Support the operational cost of an elite men's golf program, estimated to be \$300,000 annually.
- Support a sport specific scholarship endowment to ensure the 4.5 NCAA scholarship limit can be fulfilled in perpetuity. An estimated \$3,000,000 endowment fund will cover all 4.5 scholarships.
- Create awareness and garner support among other WVU Alumni, friends and golf enthusiasts for the men's golf program.

MAJOR GIFT OPTIONS:

- The Founders is initially open to the first 50 individuals who make a major gift or pledge that matches or exceeds \$30,000. Pledges may be paid over a five year maximum period.
- The Founders gifts are awarded 2 Priority Points for every \$100 received in the current giving year.

By joining The Founders you will help re-establish a strong tradition of men's golf at WVU which will help better WVU's future student-athletes and alumni population with individuals who will represent the university with the utmost regard. Additionally, gifts of \$50,000 or more will be recognized with membership in the Mountaineer Athletic Club's All-American Society. Gifts to The Founders do not count towards Mountaineer Athletic Club annual giving levels.

