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**CANYON CLUB, PINON HILLS, & ROCKWIND  
TO HOST NMAA GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.** – The New Mexico Activities Association is excited to announce that three courses have been selected to host the State High School Golf Championships in 2018, 2019, and 2020. These venues include the Canyon Club at Four Hills in Albuquerque, Pinon Hills in Farmington, and Rockwind Community Links in Hobbs. Each of these courses will host one classification (boys & girls) on a rotating basis over the next three years. The rotation will be set as follows:

<b>NMAA Classification</b>	<b>May 7-8, 2018</b>	<b>May 13-14, 2019</b>	<b>May 11-12, 2020</b>
Class A-4A	Canyon Club	Rockwind	Pinon Hills
Class 5A	Rockwind	Pinon Hills	Canyon Club
Class 6A	Pinon Hills	Canyon Club	Rockwind

NMAA Executive Director Sally Marquez said, “Each of these courses is known for their first class facilities yet challenging layouts. This makes them a perfect fit for the state high school golf championships.” She added, “Special thanks are due not only to the courses themselves, but also to the communities of Albuquerque, Farmington, and Hobbs for serving as host to over 300 of our student-athletes and their families.”

The Canyon Club at Four Hills in Albuquerque is set among 135 acres of mature trees and undulating mountain terrain at the base of the Cibola National Forest's Sandia Open Space. Designed by renowned golf course architect, Bob Baldock, the course is comprised of rolling fairways and narrow, elevated greens. More information about this course can be found on their website at [www.fourhillscc.com](http://www.fourhillscc.com).

“The Canyon Club is very proud to continue our relationship and support of the NMAA State High School championships. And, we are looking forward to hosting the next three years as part of our mission to support and grow junior and high school golf programs and events throughout Albuquerque and New Mexico,” Brian Dees, General Manager of The Canyon Club at Four Hills.

Pinon Hills in Farmington has been consistently recognized as one of the best public golf courses in the United States since opening in 1989. It is set near San Juan College and was designed by legendary architect, Ken Dye. The tee sites, fairway landing areas and greens were dictated by the rolling and undulating shape of the land and natural desert features and formations. The course website is [www.pinonhillsgolf.com](http://www.pinonhillsgolf.com).

“The City of Farmington and Pinon Hills Golf Course are very excited to be given the opportunity to once again be a host site for the New Mexico High School State Golf Championships. We've enjoyed being a part of the rotation the past three years and look forward to another great three years to come,” Chris Jones, PGA Member – General Manager, Pinon Hills Golf Course.

Opened in 2015, Rockwind Community Links, is a 27-hole community golf facility owned and operated by the City of Hobbs. Rockwind provides the citizens of Hobbs an amenity like no other Rockwind golf course in the country. The award-winning facility includes a championship 18-hole course, a 9-hole par-3 course, a dual ended practice range and multiple short game areas for practice and learning. Additional elements to the facility include an open green space for events, a surrounding trail system complete with multiple trail heads, various outdoor seating areas, picnic spaces and multiple scenic viewing points, including access to the site's five acre lake that overlooks the golf course. More details can be found on their website at <http://rockwindgolfcourse.com/>.

"This is great news! We look forward to hosting all of the New Mexico High School teams at Rockwind. I appreciate all of the efforts of the people who made this a reality. Today our community made an Eagle," JJ Murphy, Hobbs City Manager.

Pinon Hills and The Canyon Club have hosted the NMAA Golf Championships for the last three years. Rockwind Community Links will be serving as host of this event for the first time.

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