

Why join Iowa GCSA?

To Golf Course Superintendents

Membership in the Iowa GCSA can better prepare you for the ever-changing challenges that present themselves to you each day by providing you with access to professionals having the most up-to-date information concerning turfgrass, pesticides and the environment.

To Golf Course Officials and Owners

By supporting your Superintendent's membership in the Iowa GCSA, you provide your course or club with the greatest opportunity to be up-to-date with the latest in turfgrass technology.

What is Iowa GCSA?

Organized in June of 1932 by Iowa's Top Greenskeepers for "The Professionals Dedicated to Better Turf for Better Golf." Iowa GCSA stands for education, research and the exchange of ideas. With more than 70 years dedicated to the betterment of Iowa Superintendents, the Iowa Golf Course Superintendents Association continues the pledge of providing Superintendents with the information to keep up-to-date in the golf maintenance field.



The Superintendents Professional Code of Ethics

Statement of Policy

This code of ethics is established to promote and maintain the highest professional standards of service and conduct among the membership of the Iowa GCSA. Steadfastly maintaining these principles will accrue to the membership a level of recognition and respect justly deserved of those who come into contact with any member. Through high regard for and strong enforcement of the Code, membership in this Association will be deemed a significant indicator of individual responsibility, character and professionalism.

All members of the Iowa Golf Course Superintendents Association accept and fully agree to abide by this Code and pledge themselves to:

1. Recognize and discharge all his/her responsibilities and duties in such a fashion as to be a credit to this Association and profession.
2. Practice and insist upon sound business and turf management principles in exercising the responsibilities of his/her position.
3. Utilize every practicable opportunity to expand his/her professional knowledge thereby improving themselves and their profession.
4. Maintain the highest standards of personal conduct to reflect credit and add to the stature of the profession of golf course Superintendency.
5. Base endorsements, either written or verbal by means of any medium, strictly upon satisfactory personal experiences with the item identified.
6. Refrain from encouraging or accepting considerations of any value without the express understanding of all parties that said consideration is available to all in similar circumstances, and that no actions shall be forthcoming as a result of acceptance.
7. Recognize and observe the highest standards of integrity in his/her relationships with fellow golf course Superintendents and others associated with this profession and industry.
8. Assist his/her fellow Superintendents in all ways consistent with his/her abilities, only when called upon to do so and with the incumbent Superintendent's knowledge, participation, and acceptance.
9. Abstain from the debasement of or encroachment upon the professional reputation, practice, or employment of another Superintendent.
10. Lend his/her support to and actively participate in the efforts of his/her local chapter and National Association to improve public understanding and recognition of the profession of golf course Superintendency.
11. Abstain from any exploitation of his/her Association, industry or profession.
12. Present information and participate as a witness in all proceedings to which there exists a violation of this Code of Ethics.

Membership Application

Iowa Golf Course Superintendents Association



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Our Mission Statement

The position of golf course Superintendent has changed drastically over the years. Our occupation as well as our Association will experience many more changes.

Superintendents are responsible for the land where golf is played and the environment around them. That's why the Iowa GCSA is committed to making education its number one priority. We are here to serve our membership and to make Iowa courses a better place to enjoy the game of golf.

Iowa GCSA Newsletter

Published 10 times annually, The Reporter provides technical and practical articles for and about Iowa golf course Superintendents. It also provides information to course officials so that they may learn of and understand the problems confronting the Superintendent.

Meetings

The meetings are typically held at member courses around the state, at different times throughout the year. Of special note is the summer meeting, the "Iowa Turfgrass Field Day" which is held on the turfgrass plots at the Horticulture Research Station near Ames and the Iowa Turfgrass Conference & Trade Show, held in central Iowa in January. Meeting benefits include timely educational topics, the opportunity to network with other Superintendents and the privilege of playing top golf courses throughout the state.

Turfgrass Research Fund

The Turfgrass Research Fund was founded in 1939 in association with the Iowa Agriculture Experiment Station for the purpose of helping to underwrite some of the costs of conducting a research program at Iowa State University. All funds, assessments and other revenue for support of this project are controlled by the Executive Board of the Iowa GCSA in consultation with turfgrass research and extension personnel. These funds are for use only in support of the Turfgrass Research Program.

GCSAA

Iowa GCSA is an affiliate chapter of Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA), therefore, New Class A or SM members must also join GCSAA. Class A members must have at least 3 years experience as a Superintendent and be employed in that capacity. Class SM members are those who have been a Superintendent for less than 3 years and are currently in that capacity.

Membership Application

HOME/SCHOOL ADDRESS

Name _____

Address _____

Spouse _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

COURSE/COMPANY ADDRESS

Course, Business, or School Name _____

Title _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Fax _____

County _____

What is your preferred mailing address?

Home Work

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

1. Club or Course _____

City/State _____

Dates Employed _____

Position Held _____

2. Club or Course _____

City/State _____

Dates Employed _____

Position Held _____

SIGNATURES REQUIRED

Each application **MUST BE signed (Attested)** by two voting members of Iowa GCSA (Classes A, SM, C, G & AA) who thus certifies the reliability of the Applicant's information as stated.

Attester Signature

Name (typed or printed)

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MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION

(95% of your dues are tax deductible)

- GCSAA Superintendent (Class A) - At least 3 years (\$100)
- GCSAA Superintendent (Class SM) - Less than 3 years (\$100)
- Superintendent (Class I) - Not GCSAA Member (\$90)
- Assistant Superintendent (Class C) (\$100)
- Employee (Class D) - Employed by an A/SM member (\$90)
- Associate Member (Class F) - 2 Vendor members (\$100)
- Retired (Class G) (\$50.00)
- Student (Class S) (\$50.00)

GCSAA MEMBER? Yes No

GCSAA Member Number _____

*Class A or SM members must also be a member of GCSAA - GCSAA Member Number or proof of intent to join is required at time of application.

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

MasterCard VISA

Card Number

Exp Date:

Name

Signature

Please return with payment to:

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