



LPGA “Moms on Tour”

Becoming a parent is a life-changing experience for anyone who has a child, but for professional female athletes, becoming a mom also brings some unique challenges. The LPGA has worked to provide programs and policies to help its players pursue their goals both as an elite athlete and a mom while helping them to thrive both on and off the golf course as they travel with their young children.

The LPGA Child Development Center

The LPGA pioneered the concept of providing the children of its athletes with consistent, high-quality and familiar child development services. The LPGA Child Development Center was the first traveling childcare center in the world of professional sports and has been with the LPGA Tour for more than 25 years. The program has provided childcare services to LPGA athletes and staff since its inception, and it is vital to helping the athlete moms continue their careers after having children.

Three full-time credentialed child development staff members travel to each North American event to care for the children of LPGA Tour moms. Week after week, as the LPGA Tour travels, the children receive consistent care and education because these same staff members travel with the center. The facility is also supported by temporary credentialed staff and volunteers.

LPGA Maternity Policy

In 2019, the LPGA introduced an updated maternity policy designed to provide new moms with more flexibility regarding maternity leave. A few keys of the policy:

- Policy designed to be pro-athlete and pro-mom
- Structured to give moms flexibility and options regarding their maternity leave
- Players can take maternity in year of child’s birth or the year after
- Moms have two years from date of baby’s birth to return to playing
- Once Moms return, they have the same status they had entering the season of maternity and have 12 months (i.e. same number of tournaments) to compete at that status

In addition to the LPGA’s updated maternity policy, all five majors on the LPGA Tour schedule now have maternity clauses that exempt a player into the championship who qualified for the previous year but did not compete due to maternity.

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- Paula Creamer
 - Hilton Kennedy (2022)
- Julieta Granada
 - Gia Granada (2021)
- Jaye Marie Green
 - Paisley Casello (2023)
- Mi Jung Hur
 - Ji-An Wang (2022)
- Cristie Kerr
 - Mason Stevens (2013)
 - Griffin Stevens (2018)
- Brittany Lang
 - Shay Spann (2020)
- Stacy Lewis
 - Chesnee Chadwell (2018)
- Brittany Lincicome
 - Emery Gouws (2019)
 - Sophia Gouws (2022)
- Caroline Masson
 - Benton McDede (2023)
- Gerina Mendoza
 - Ajeo (A.J.) Piller (2018)
- Sydnee Michaels
 - Isla Muncrief (2017)
- Azahara Munoz
 - Lucas Vickers (2022)
- Amy Olson
 - Carly Olson (2023)
- Inbee Park
 - Inseo Nam (2023)
- Hee Young Park
 - Mino Joe (2023)
- Jane Park
 - Grace Godfrey (2020)
- Katherine Perry-Hamski
 - John Hamski (2020)
- Sophia Popov
 - Maya Mehles (2023)
- Mel Reid
 - Kai Reid (2023)
- Rachel Rohanna
 - Gemelia Virgili (2018)
 - Greenlee Virgili (2023)
- Sarah Jane Smith
 - Theo Smith (2019)
- Jackie Stoelting
 - Baren Stoelting (2019)
 - Baylor Stoelting (2022)
- Mariajo Uribe
 - Lucca Bautista (2020)
- Lindsey Weaver-Wright
 - Crew Wright (2023)
- Michelle Wie West
 - Makenna West (2020)
- Cheyenne Woods
 - Cameron Hicks (2022)
 - Maya Hicks (2023)

Additionally, Brittany Altomare, Chella Choi and Jessica Korda are expecting their first child.