

First Tee of South Central Wisconsin

Good golfers, better people.



First Tee mission statement:

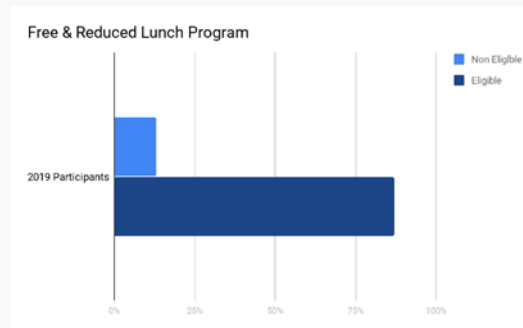
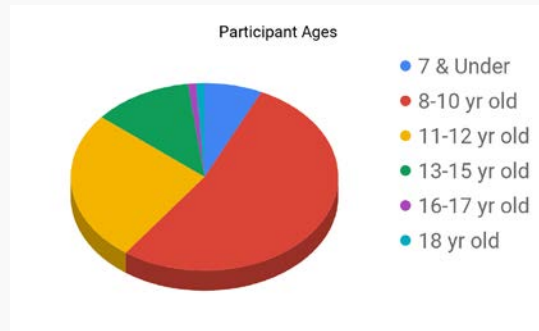
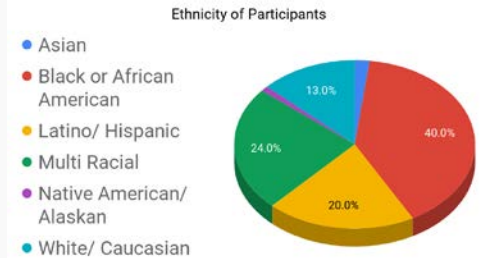
To impact the lives of young people and their families by providing educational programs for youth that build character, instill life enhancing values, and promote healthy choices through the game of golf.

First Tee Year in Review:



17,594
Youth Served

4 Learning Center
Locations
FIFTEEN
School Partners
ELEVEN
Community Partners



1-2.5 grade level(s)
improvements for
students that **attended**
Learning Center
75% or more



The need

1. Wisconsin has the nation's largest racial achievement gap among students.
2. Basic functioning and capabilities have taken a backseat to the values youth are learning leaving a gaping hole in character traits, and social and emotional skills.
3. More sense of community

A close-up photograph of a person's hands using a compass to draw on a white sheet of paper on a drawing board. The background is blurred, showing some green and red lights.

The solution

CORE VALUES

Math & Reading
GOLF/
Remediation
Life Skills

Good golfers,
BETTER PEOPLE

Our First Tee kids

Here is what our youth thinks of our programming:



Kellan - 8

The mentors have a lot of fun with me and teach me about respect and sportsmanship.



Josse - 9

In The First Tee, I have had so much fun and learned a lot about school, the rules of golf, respect, and how to be a better person.



Kamu - 9

Perseverance is my favorite core value because it teaches you to keep going until you become a better golfer, student and person.



Gotti - 8

In the First Tee learning centers we learn how to do school work, golf and how to become a kind friend and good person.

First Tee of South Central Wisconsin Milestones

2014

FTSCW embarked on a mission to **open after school learning centers**

2016-2017 Program

Launched Renaissance software.
78% of participants showed gains in mastery of basic reading skills

January 2020

FTSCW served **17,594 youth** throughout the state of Wisconsin

2015

“**We are in crisis...We are at a point where we cannot go failing another generation of people.**” - Gloria Larson-Billings - Professor of Curriculum & Instruction - University of Wisconsin-Madison

2018-2019 Program

Participants attending **>75% improved from 1.5 -2 grade levels** after a year of programming.

Issues in our current space:

- Have to be adaptable due to other events/ outings that take place at our multiple locations and weather. We/ our kids are not a priority.
- Environment is often difficult to keep our youth's attention with the distractions at Vitense and our other satellite locations.
- We need an environment/ space where we can be able to effectively and efficiently use our model to offer more programming and opportunities to/ in our community.

Searching for a place to call HOME!

First Tee of South Central Wisconsin has come to the realization that for a long term plan, we need a permanent location where we can grow for our youth and community!