

Dear Parents/Guardians of Evans Caddie Applicants,

Thank you for your interest in the Evans Caddie Program at Victoria Golf Club. We are excited that your child is interested in becoming an Evans Caddie and appreciate your support.

Your 9th Grader may have attended an information session at their high school, or may have found us online. Either way, one thing is difficult to make clear to teenagers.

Even though they are applying to be a caddie, **this is primarily a scholarship program.** The requirements for the Evans Caddie Scholarship are set out by the Evans governing body in the US, the Western Golf Association (WGA). **A major requirement is that the applicant must come from a family of limited means.**

The WGA has not determined a specific threshold income. They consider a family's income but also look at special circumstances. For example, supporting extended family or significant medical needs. When a caddie applies for the scholarship in Grade 12 two years of financial records are examined by the WGA to ensure a family qualifies.

As I'm sure you can understand, this is difficult to present to teenagers. Especially because we do not want anyone to feel uncomfortable with their economic situation. Also, many teens do not know their family's financial situation.

Please note that **we cannot have caddies at VGC who are not part of the Evans program.** This is our club's charity and it is highly subsidized by our membership. All caddies need to be participants.

We often have students submit applications who are very disappointed when they discover they do not qualify for the program. If this is the case with your family, please explain to your child why we are unable to offer them a place.

Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,
The Evans Scholarship Committee
Victoria Golf Club