## **USGA Media Center**

LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (May 8, 2018) – The USGA today announced a day of family-friendly activities to introduce youths 18 and under to the game of golf at the 118th U.S. Open Championship. Junior Day will be held on Wednesday, June 13 at iconic Shinnecock Hills Golf Club in Southampton, N.Y.

The free day of events includes interactive stations to spark interest in various aspects of the game. All juniors will be able to track each activity on a complimentary "scorecard," which can be redeemed for a prize at the Merchandise Pavilion throughout the day. Starting at 8 a.m., young fans will also be treated to several unique fan experiences, including:

- LPGA-USGA Girls Golf "Play Station" Kids will have the opportunity to learn or sharpen their golf swing with fun games, including hitting a golf ball into the mouth of a giant shark;
- Learning Science Through Golf Educational Station This interactive course will teach youngsters the scientific principles that influence the game;
- Green screen photo in the USGA Fan Clubhouse;
- 180-degree video experience presented by Deloitte located at Fan Central;
- Visit to the U.S. Open Live set;
- Various opportunities for Instagram-worthy photos.

"Part of the USGA's mission is to provide opportunities for future generations of golfers to experience everything that the game has to offer," said Beth Major, USGA director of Public & Community Affairs. "Junior Day allows youths to interact with the game in a meaningful and engaging way, which we hope will help spark a lifelong interest in golf."

To register or for more information, visit: Inside the U.S. Open Junior Day

Tickets to the 2018 U.S. Open Championship start at \$75 per adult for Wednesday's practice round and can be purchased online at www.usopen.com. Juniors 18 and under receive complimentary admission with a ticketed adult throughout the championship. There is a limit of two junior tickets per adult ticket holder.

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