

## **Joel Kock (Head Golf Coach, Boys and Girls Teams)**



Joel Kock was born and raised in a small town in northern Wisconsin called Minocqua. He grew up in the “Northwoods” area where you will find beautiful lakes and fantastic summer vacation spots. He graduated from the University of Tulsa in 1992 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration / Marketing. Joel pursued a career in professional golf out of college. He was privileged to enjoy roughly 5 years competing as a touring golf professional, earning fully exempt status on the 1995 Jordan Golf Tour and competing at PGA Tour Q-School multiple times. In the years following, he has served in various sales, development, golf, and non-profit leadership roles. Prior to coaching at Concordia, he served as the Executive Director of The First Tee of Omaha – a youth development program centered around the game of golf.

Joel has been coaching youth sports (golf, basketball, baseball) since 2009. He was asked to launch a girl’s golf program at Concordia in the fall of 2018 and take over as head coach of the boy’s golf program in the spring of 2019. He currently works full-time in a sales development role, while serving as the head golf coach for both the boy’s and girl’s golf programs.

Joel is married to Tracey, who has her Master’s degree in social work is currently working in the Center for Children, Families and the Law at UNL. Their son Zach has attended Concordia since 2019, and he will be graduating in the spring 2023. The Kocks moved to Omaha from Tampa, FL in 2013.

Outside of work and coaching, Joel enjoys Green Bay Packer football, singing at church on occasion as a cantor/soloist as well as in the choir, organizing Israel tours for church groups, and simply enjoying God’s creation outdoors camping or playing golf.