2026 Blue Chip Blue Tee Golf Tournament to be named the Tom McKee Memorial Golf Tournament

Achievement Centers for Children's 42nd annual fundraiser to pay tribute to agency's sole Board Member Emeritus

(July 9, 2026 – Westlake, Ohio) – Blue Chip Blue Tee Golf Tournament, one of the signature fundraising events for Achievement Centers for Children (ACC), is being named this year in memory of Tom McKee, the agency's sole Emeritus Board Member, who passed away earlier this year. The event will be held on Monday, August 3, at Kirtland Country Club in Willoughby Hills.

McKee was an ACC Board member from 1998 to 2006 and was named an Emeritus Director in 2008. A highlight of his decades of support for the agency was his leadership of the Blue Chip Blue Tee Tournament.

"It is such a fitting tribute to name this year's Blue Chip Blue Tee Tournament in honor of one of the most impactful Board members in our agency's nine decades," said Jennifer Vergilii, Board Chair for Achievement Centers for Children and Partner and Vice Chairman at Calfee, Halter, & Griswold LLP. "It is especially meaningful to me, as Tom was my professional mentor at Calfee and his passion for ACC inspired me to initially get involved with the agency."

Blue Chip Blue Tee, one of the only play-your-own-ball fundraising golf events in Northeast Ohio, will tee off at 1pm on August 3. After play, a cocktail/dinner reception at 5:30pm will focus on celebrating McKee and his impact on ACC and the broader community. Dinner is included in the foursome sponsorship for golfers and reception-only tickets are available for non-golfers.

"In a life devoted to serving the Cleveland community, there was no organization closer to my dad's heart than Achievement Centers for Children. ACC's mission of making the world accessible at every level truly inspired him and I hope it inspires others to support the agency and this event," said Rhodes McKee, Tom McKee's son.

To learn more about 2026 Blue Chip Blue Tee Tom McKee Memorial Golf Tournament sponsorships and reception tickets, visit www.achievementcenters.org/golf. A limit of 35 foursomes is available for this special event.

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