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Big on experience but small in numbers, four returning letterwinners from last year's girls golf squad will make every competition count.

"We will rely on our lone senior Jeannie Kuskie to provide leadership on and off the golf course," said Coach Troy Kemling.

With lots of golfing experience and competitive spirit, the state qualifier won't have any difficulty showing her teammates how to build up their strengths in the game.

"Jeannie will need to provide a consistent example of working hard on her game every day that the others see and try to duplicate," said Kemling.

Joining her on the course are juniors Emily Kiolbasa and Steph Reichert, as well as younger sister, sophomore Janet Kuskie.

In addition to being a state qualifier, Kuskie had a sixth place finish in Best of the Midwest last season. She also qualified and played at a junior tournament in Norfolk this summer.

Because the number of golfers for the 2009 season is so low, each of their scores will count toward the team score, reminding them to perform their best at each meet.

Each of the players have experience and know what to expect at meets. Another strength is that they're coachable, said Kemling, and always listening to his suggestions.

Their stiffest competition will be during districts coming from Kimball, Valentine and Bridgeport.

First Meet

The golfers had their first competition last Thursday at Bayard.

They travel to Sidney (today)Thursday, Sept. 3, then will be on the road again next Friday, Sept. 11 toward Lexington.

A full schedule of their season appears in this week's issue along with other competitive sports of the season at Perkins County High School.