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**OSCHNER HEALTH LHSAA STATE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS -- Division I Boys First-Day Story
Monday, May 2, 2022, at Cane Row Golf Club (6,291 yards, par 72), New Iberia, La.**

NEW IBERIA – C. E. Byrd of Shreveport and Catholic-Baton Rouge each put three players in the top 10 individuals in Boys Division I and used those performances to grab the top two team spots Monday in the first round of the Oschner Health LHSAA State Golf Championships.

Byrd (291) holds a one-stroke lead over Catholic High of Baton Rouge in the team chase going into Tuesday's final round over the 6,291-yard par-72 Cane Row Golf Club.

Byrd's James Holtsclaw had five birdies in a six-hole stretch to key Byrd's performance and grab the individual lead. Holtsclaw birdied the fourth, fifth, sixth, eighth and ninth holes on a five-under front-side 31 and finished at five-under 67 to lead by two shots entering Tuesday's final round.

Noah McWilliams of Benton stands in second place, posting six birdies on the way to a 35-34—69 score. Walter Anderson of Catholic-Baton Rouge is third, two more strokes behind at one-under 71, while the quartet of Joshua Achord of St. Paul's, David Marsh of Catholic-Baton Rouge, Eli Hill of Airline and Duke Bowen of C. E. Byrd are tied for fourth at even-par 72.

St. Paul's, the defending Division I boys' champion, is in third place in the team chase at 300, nine strokes back of Byrd, while Jesuit stands fourth at 311, Benton fifth at 312 and Brother Martin sixth at 317. Barbe and Sulphur round out the team field in a tie for seventh at 321.

Tuesday's final round gets underway at 8 a.m. off both Nos. 1 and 10 tees at Cane Row.