### ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES July 25, 2025

#### PIERCESON COODY (-12)



### Q. Back-to-back rounds of 65, how are you feeling heading into the weekend?

**PIERCESON COODY:** Yeah, good. I feel like my game has gotten better throughout the year. I've had a lot of solid finishes, been playing well on the Korn Ferry and whatnot, but good golf is good golf. I don't think I was doing much different out there than I did these first two days. I feel like I have a lot to prove out here and I think that I have the game to do it, so excited for the weekend.

#### Q. Where specifically do you feel like your game's grown throughout the year?

**PIERCESON COODY:** Yeah, I struggled mostly with my iron play last year, my iron play and chipping, and that's kind of been the focus. It's just continually gotten a little cleaner, the misses are a little sharper and just leaving myself in better spots around the greens, just a few more from that 10- to 20-foot range that you can run in and kind of stack together a bunch of birdies on a course like this.

# Q. When you get into Tour events, how do you decide between here and KFT, or will you always play the Tour if you get in?

PIERCESON COODY: No, I've turned down at least two, maybe three starts on Tour this year. I want to give myself kind of two pathways to get my full status back for 2026. So I started off on the Korn Ferry. When I wasn't getting into the West Coast events and had some decent finishes, knew I was going to get into kind of, what do you call them, the spring events on Tour, got in there and had a couple decent finishes but nothing really to kind of put myself in an advantageous spot to chase the top 100 out here and stuff like that and Mondays. So stuck to playing the Korn Ferry and rattled off a lot of top-5s, and feel very comfortable with my spot out there and getting my status back now, so going forward I feel like I've kind of earned the freedom to get to choose which event I want to play and that would be playing PGA TOUR events.

## Q. How do you feel like you've grown as a player from last year when it was your rookie year on Tour?

**PIERCESON COODY:** Yeah, last year would have been my second year as a pro, so third year as a pro I feel like I'm doing the right things. I'm trying to kind of almost, you know, cliche but do less, do less especially off the golf course and just enjoy my time practicing, be very focused on my practice so I'm not just out here wasting away hours and stuff like that. I feel like that's kind of been the difference, a little more intentional with how I want to go about my business.



Q. Since you know that you're in like a solid standing with your KFT status, when you're on Tour is it sort of a win or bust mentality or are you working on things or how do you approach that?

**PIERCESON COODY:** Yeah, I don't necessarily think it's a win or bust. Obviously the guys that have secured their status for 2026, maybe the guys that are top-10 in the world or something like that, like they could go with that, but I'm really just trying to stack together as many good rounds as I can. I feel like I'm still early in my Tour career and just trying to get the most out of my rounds, become the best player I can and kind of just see where that takes me over the next 10 to 20 years.

