



## **Arcis Golf Named Second Fastest Growing Company in Dallas Area *Long-Term, Focused Strategic Growth Plan Part of Success Equation***



Cowboys Golf Club is one of six Arcis Golf courses in the Dallas-Fort Worth metro area.

**DALLAS (December 13, 2016)** — Arcis Golf, one of the country's leading golf course management companies, has been awarded the No. 2 ranking on the annual Dallas 100™ list for 2016, by the Caruth Institute for Entrepreneurship at the SMU Cox School of Business.

For 26 years, the Dallas 100™ has celebrated the innovative spirit, determination and business savvy of Dallas-Fort Worth metro area entrepreneurs. The annual rankings are a salute to the diversity, creativity and resolve required to create and sustain a successful business in today's competitive environment.

Owning and operating public and private golf courses and clubs across the United States, Arcis Golf's diversity of product and geography, coupled with the size and scope of this portfolio, differentiates the company from its competitors.

The fast-growing, dynamic start-up was founded 16 months ago by SMU alum Blake Walker, CEO, through his company, Arcis Equity Partners, a leading private equity firm also based in Dallas. Since then, a robust portfolio has been created through strategic acquisitions that build and strengthen the company's leadership position in the golf industry. In this short time span, Arcis

Golf has rapidly grown by 400% to become the second largest owner and operator of golf courses in the U.S., with nearly 70 properties coast to coast.

“Being honored in the Dallas 100 is particularly special for Arcis Golf, given that our executive leadership team is comprised of so many proud SMU alums,” said Walker, ranked by Golf Inc. as one of the most powerful people in the golf industry. “But, what makes this even more meaningful is that this recognition was only possible because of the unwavering commitment and incredibly hard work from all Arcis Golf employees,” Walker continued.

Walker and his management team are pursuing a two-pronged growth strategy, combining strategic acquisitions while strengthening operational infrastructure. A concerted effort has been made to hire and engage best-in-class leadership, fine-tune internal systems and processes, and deliver superior programming and experiences for members and guests.

Investing more than \$55 million in its clubs the past 16 months is an indication of the dynamic direction Arcis Golf is taking and its commitment to exceeding the needs and expectations of members, their families, friends, and guests of all ages. Continued future investment will be evident in superior course conditioning, innovative dining experiences, state-of-the-art facilities, and family-centric programs.

To learn more about Arcis Golf, visit [www.arcisgolf.com](http://www.arcisgolf.com).

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