

THE REALITIES OF RECRUITING

**What you need to know about the
college recruiting process**



ACADEMICS

You need 16 CORE COURSES

4 English

3 math

2 science

2 social science

1 additional English, math, or science

4 additional (any above and language or religion)

To calculate your CORE GPA

A = 4 B = 3 C = 2 D = 1


Total and Divide by 16 = GPA

ACADEMICS

SLIDING SCALE

| <u>Core GPA</u> | <u>SAT</u> | <u>ACT</u> |
|-----------------|------------|------------|
| 3.550 & above | 400 | 37 |
| 3.000 | 620 | 52 |
| 2.500 | 820 | 68 |
| 2.000 | 1010 | 86 |

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After your junior year you must register with
the **NCAA Initial Eligibility
Clearinghouse:**

at www.ncaaclearinghouse.net

or call **1-877-262-1492**

RECRUITING

- Evaluation Periods
 - Exposure Events
- Campus Visits
 - Unofficial/Official
- Contacts
 - Home Visits/School Visits
 - Phone Calls/Email/Letters
- Letter of Intent
 - Verbal Agreement/Signing Period

PARENT-COACH RELATIONSHIP

- Communicate, don't irritate
- Both be honest in evaluation
- Set recruiting rules
- Define realistic roles
- No conflicting messages
- No hint of conflict
- Don't take it personally
- College eliminates the player



COLLEGE SELECTION

ACADEMICS

Reputation

Majors offered

Faculty

CAMPUS

Location

Size

Social

COLLEGE SELECTION

ATHLETICS

| | |
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| Playing Time <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Style of play- opportunity to play | Coaching Staff/Team <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Assistant coaches- Team chemistry |
| Program Commitment <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Budget/ Facilities- Time Commitment- Tradition | Schedule <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Travel Opportunities- Conference Affiliation- Missed class time |
| Scholarship | Walk -on Opportunities |

MARKETING YOURSELF

- Accurate evaluation of ability
- Write to coaches
- The who knows who game (networking)
- Create a video
- Prepare an easy to read fact sheet
- Keep your grades up (SAT/ACT)
- Meet coaches early in career (unofficial visits)
- Keep nose clean

QUESTIONS TO ASK

- **CAMPUS**
 - size/safety/facilities/access/technology/dorms
- **ACADEMICS**
 - Reputation/grad rates/support/missed class time
- **ATHLETICS**
 - PT/style/class mix/commitment/conference tradition /scholarship/walk on
- **SOCIAL**
 - Student satisfaction/cultural/time commitment
- **POST GRAD**
 - Alumni/employment network/internships

COLLEGE COACH PERSPECTIVE

- This is the college evaluation, not yours
- Big eyes, big ears
- Honesty and updates
- Recruiters evaluate everyone
- Numbers game
- Can't control the Internet
- They have to sell

FRESHMAN YEAR

- Meet Guidance Counselor
- Do they know the core course requirement
- Manage your time, work hard and develop good study habits.
- Work on a good GPA
- Lift, condition, skill work
- Play off season
- See some college games

SOPHOMORE YEAR

- Meet Guidance Counselor
- Take college prep courses
- Work on weaknesses (Tutor)
- Research colleges of interest

- Begin unofficial visits
- Go to a college camp at a school on your list

JUNIOR YEAR



- Meet GC - on target?
- School interest list
- Take PSAT in Oct.
- Take SAT/ACT in May and June
- Register with NCAA Clearinghouse in June.
- Contact NCAA for rules
- Send letters of interest
- See practice or game
- Review college list monthly with your coach.
- Make a highlight tape
- May - send summer schedule
- Attend college summer camps - attend exposure events

SENIOR YEAR

- **Meet with your GC**
- **- are you on track to eligibility**
- **Retake SAT's**
- **Review and revise your target schools**
- **Meet all application and Financial aid deadlines.**

- **Set up fall visits**
- **Call colleges -early signing.**
- **Continue to revise your list and contact coaches.**
- **Continue to work on your skills and conditioning**