

NCAA RECRUITING FACTS

College sports create a pathway to opportunity for student-athletes.

490,000 Student-athletes
19,500 Teams
3 Divisions
1 Association

DIVISION I

Division I schools, on average, enroll the most students, manage the largest athletics budgets, offer a wide array of academic programs and provide the most athletics scholarships.

PARTICIPATION

- 179,200 student-athletes
- 351 colleges and universities

ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIPS

59 percent of all student-athletes receive some level of athletics aid

ACADEMICS

2017 Graduation Success Rate: 87 percent*

OTHER STATS

Median Undergraduate Enrollment: 9,629
Average Number of Teams per School: 19
Average Percentage of Student Body Participating in Sports: 4 percent
Division I National Championships: 26

DIVISION II

Division II provides growth opportunities through academic achievement, high-level athletics competition and community engagement. Many participants are first-generation college students.

PARTICIPATION

- 121,900 student-athletes
- 308 colleges and universities

ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIPS

62 percent of all student-athletes receive some level of athletics aid

ACADEMICS

2017 Academic Success Rate: 72 percent*

OTHER STATS

Median Undergraduate Enrollment: 2,485
Average Number of Teams per School: 16
Average Percentage of Student Body Participating in Sports: 9 percent
Division II National Championships: 25

DIVISION III

The Division III experience provides an integrated environment that focuses on academic success while offering competitive athletics and meaningful nonathletics opportunities.

PARTICIPATION

- 190,900 student-athletes
- 443 colleges and universities

FINANCIAL AID

80 percent of all student-athletes receive some form of academic grant or need-based scholarship; institutional gift aid totals \$17,000 on average

ACADEMICS

2017 Academic Success Rate: 87 percent*

OTHER STATS

Median Undergraduate Enrollment: 1,748
Average Number of Teams per School: 18
Average Percentage of Student Body Participating in Sports: 26 percent
Division III National Championships: 28

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*Graduation rate for student-athletes, including those who transfer from one school to another.

NCAA Facts about NCAA sports

Does the NCAA award athletics scholarships?

Individual schools award athletics scholarships. Divisions I and II schools provide more than \$3 billion in athletics scholarships annually to more than 150,000 student-athletes. Division III schools, with more than 190,000 student-athletes, do not offer athletically related financial aid, but most student-athletes receive some form of academic grant or need-based scholarship.

Do many high school athletes earn athletics scholarships?

Very few, in fact. About 2 percent of high school athletes are awarded some form of athletics scholarship to compete in college.

Do NCAA student-athletes have difficulty meeting graduation requirements with the time demands of their sport? While competing in college does require strong time-management skills and some thoughtful planning with academic advisors, on average NCAA student-athletes graduate at a higher rate than the general student body.

Do many NCAA student-athletes go on to play professionally?

Fewer than 2 percent of NCAA student-athletes go on to be professional athletes. In reality, most student-athletes depend on academics to prepare them for life after college. Education is important. There are nearly half a million NCAA student-athletes, and most of them will go pro in something other than sports.

ESTIMATED PROBABILITY OF COMPETING IN NCAA ATHLETICS BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL

Student-Athletes	All Sports	Men's Basketball	Women's Basketball	Football	Baseball	Ice Hockey	Men's Soccer
High School Student-Athletes	7,300,000	546,400	429,400	1,083,300	488,800	35,200	440,300
NCAA Student-Athletes	482,000	18,700	16,600	73,700	34,600	4,100	24,800
Percentage Moving from High School to NCAA	6%	3.4%	3.9%	6.8%	7.1%	11.7%	5.6%
Percentage Moving from NCAA to Major Professional*	2%	1.1%	0.9%	1.5%	9.1%	5.6%	1.4%

*Percent NCAA to Major Professional figures are based on the number of draft picks made in the NFL, NBA, WNBA, MLB, NHL and MLS drafts.



NCAA DIVISION I RECRUITING GUIDE -- SPORTS OTHER THAN FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL
Effective August 1, 2018

	Questionnaires, Camp Information, NCAA Materials and Nonathletic Publications	Other Recruiting Materials	Electronic Correspondence	Telephone Calls	Off-Campus Contact	Unofficial Visits	Official Visits	Evaluations and Contacts
Swimming and Diving	Anytime	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year (all forms)	Beginning 7/1 following junior year (at discretion)	Beginning 7/1 following junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of PSA's junior year	Men's Ice Hockey: Seven recruiting opportunities (contacts and evaluations combined) per PSA between September 1 and May 31. Beginning June 15 at the conclusion of a PSA's sophomore year, not more than three of the seven opportunities may be contacts each year. Lacrosse, Softball & Wrestling: Seven recruiting opportunities (contacts and evaluations combined) per PSA per year. Beginning September 1 of junior year not more than three of seven opportunities may be off-campus contacts. All Other Sports: Seven recruiting opportunities (contacts and evaluations combined) per PSA between September 1 and May 31. During the senior year not more than three of the seven opportunities may be contacts.
Women's Gymnastics	Anytime	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year (all forms)	Beginning 9/1 of junior year (at discretion)	Beginning 7/15 following junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of PSA's junior year	
Women's Ice Hockey	Anytime	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year (all forms)	Following sophomore year one call to an <u>international</u> PSA 7/1-7/31 Beginning 9/1 of junior year (at discretion)	Beginning 7/7 following junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of PSA's junior year	
Men's Ice Hockey	Anytime	Beginning 1/1 of sophomore year	Beginning 1/1 of sophomore year (all forms)	Beginning 1/1 of sophomore year (at discretion)	Beginning 6/15 at completion of sophomore year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of PSA's junior year	
Men's and Women's Lacrosse and Softball	Anytime	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year (all forms)	Incoming and outgoing calls beginning 9/1 of junior year (at discretion)	Beginning 9/1 of junior year Lacrosse only; contact during the junior year only permitted at PSA's educational institution or residence	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of PSA's junior year	
Wrestling	Anytime	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year (all forms)	Beginning 9/1 of junior year (at discretion)	Beginning 9/1 of junior year, contact during the junior year only permitted at PSA's educational institution or residence	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of PSA's junior year	
All Other Sports	Anytime	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year (all forms)	Beginning 9/1 of junior year (at discretion)	Beginning 7/1 following junior year	Beginning 9/1 of junior year	Beginning 9/1 of PSA's junior year	
Two-Year College PSA	Anytime	Anytime	Anytime	Anytime (at discretion)	Qualifier: Beginning 10/15 following PSA's completion of high school Nonqualifier or academic redshirt: following completion of first academic year of enrollment	Qualifier: Anytime Nonqualifier or academic redshirt: Following the completion of first year of enrollment	Qualifier: Five additional beginning 10/15 following PSA's completion of high school Nonqualifier or academic redshirt: Following completion of first year of enrollment	

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Four-Year Colleges PSA	Anytime*	Anytime*	Anytime*	Anytime* (at discretion)	Beginning 10/15 following PSA's completion of high school*	Anytime	Beginning 10/15 following PSA's completion of high school*	Men's Golf: 45 evaluation days (August 1 - July 31). Women's Volleyball: 80 evaluation days (August 1 - July 31). Women's Beach Volleyball: 50 evaluation days (August 1 - July 31). Practice and Competition Site Restrictions (see next page).

*Only after obtaining written permission from NCAA or NAIA institution (other four-year institution not necessary)

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NCAA DIVISION II COACHES OFF-CAMPUS RECRUITING GUIDE

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Freshman/ Sophomore	After June 15 Immediately Preceding Junior Year	Two-Year College Prospective Student- Athletes	Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes	Evaluations and Contacts	After National Letter of Intent Signing or Other Written Commitment
<p>Recruiting Materials:</p> <p>Questionnaires, camp brochures, NCAA materials and nonathletics recruiting publications only.</p>	<p>Official Visits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> After June 15 immediately preceding prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school. <p>There are no limits on the following recruiting functions for prospective student-athletes entering their junior year:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Athletically related recruiting materials. Electronic media and transmissions (e.g., email, facsimiles, text messaging, instant messages, etc.). Must be private between sender and recipient.* 	<p>Official Visits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At any time during an appropriate recruiting period. If prospective student-athlete has previously visited the institution, a second visit may not occur until September 1 following prospective student-athlete's completion of high school. If prospective student-athlete's institution is an NCAA institution, a visit may occur only after written permission to contact has been granted. If prospective student-athlete's institution is an National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) institution, permission to contact is not required; however, the institution's director of athletics (or an individual designated by the director of athletics) must send notification of recruitment to the NAIA institution prior to contact with an NAIA student-athlete. <p>There are no limits on the number or frequency of the following recruiting functions for two-year college transfers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Athletically related recruiting materials. Electronic media and transmissions (e.g., email, facsimiles, text messaging, instant messages, etc.). Must be private between sender and recipient.* 	<p>Official Visits:</p> <p>At any time during an appropriate recruiting period. If prospective student-athlete has previously visited the institution, a second visit may not occur until September 1 following prospective student-athlete's completion of high school. If prospective student-athlete's institution is an NCAA institution, a visit may occur only after written permission to contact has been granted. If prospective student-athlete's institution is an National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) institution, permission to contact is not required; however, the institution's director of athletics (or an individual designated by the director of athletics) must send notification of recruitment to the NAIA institution prior to contact with an NAIA student-athlete.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> No restriction on the number of evaluations. Contacts are restricted at the prospective student-athlete's practice/competition site until such time as the competition has concluded and the prospective student-athlete has been released by the appropriate authority. May have contact with a prospective student-athlete's parents or legal guardians at the competition site during a contact period provided prospective student-athlete has reached June 15 prior to his or her junior year in high school. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Privacy requirement between sender and recipient for electronically transmitted correspondence is no longer applicable (e.g., email, facsimiles, text messaging, instant messaging, etc.). May have contact outside of permissible contact periods.

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	<p>3. Telephone calls.*</p> <p>4. In-person, off-campus recruiting contacts.</p>	<p>3. Telephone calls.*</p> <p>4. In-person, off-campus recruiting contacts.</p>	<p>NCAA and NAIA Institution:</p> <p>Following receipt of permission to contact from an NCAA institution, or notification of recruitment to an NAIA institution, there are no limits on the number or frequency of the following recruiting functions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Electronic media and transmissions (e.g., email, text messaging, instant messages, etc.). Must be private between sender and recipient.* 2. Telephone calls.* 3. In-person, off-campus recruiting contacts. 	<p>4. Electronically transmitted correspondence may not be sent to a prospective student-athlete during the conduct of any of the institution's intercollegiate athletics contests in that sport.*</p>	<p>3. Contact restrictions with the prospective student-athlete and/or the prospective student-athlete's parent or legal guardians at the prospective student-athlete's practice/competition site are no longer applicable.</p>
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*Electronically transmitted correspondence may not be sent and telephone calls may not be made during the conduct of any of the institution's intercollegiate athletics contests in that sport from the time the institution's team reports on call at the competition site at the direction of the coach until the competition has concluded and the team has been dismissed by the coach (NCAA Bylaws 13.1.3.2.1 and 13.4.4.2).

COMMUNICATION, CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS

CONTACTS (Bylaw 13.1)

- Off-campus contacts are not permitted until a PSA has completed his or her sophomore year of high school.
- No number limit on off-campus contacts.
- Contact (including telephone calls if at the event or aware of the competition) may not be made with a PSA before any athletics competition in which the PSA is a participant until the PSA has been released by the appropriate institutional authorities. **Exception:** An athletics staff member may have on-campus contact prior to competition with a PSA, provided the PSA is not scheduled to compete on that day on the institution's campus.
- Contact may occur with relatives, guardian(s) or individual of comparable relationship of a contactable PSA at the site of a PSA's practice or competition (including during the competition).

RECRUITING MATERIALS (Bylaw 13.4)

- There are no restrictions on the timing of providing recruiting materials or letters to PSAs.
- Institutions are permitted to provide any official academic, admissions, athletics and student-services publications or electronic media published or produced by the

institution and other information of a general nature that is available to all students.

EVALUATIONS (Bylaw 13.1)

- There are no restrictions on the number or timing on evaluations of a PSA participating in practice or competition.

PERMISSION TO CONTACT (Bylaw 13.1.1.2)

- Athletics recruitment of any type of an NCAA or NAIA four-year college student-athlete is not permitted without first obtaining written permission from the student's current institution, regardless of who makes the initial contact.
- A student-athlete transferring from a Division III institution to another Division III institution can sign the self-release form for proper permission.
- Permission to contact is not required for a two-year college prospect.

CELEBRATORY SIGNING FORM (Bylaw 13.9)

- Institutions may use a standard, nonbinding athletes celebratory signing form after a PSA has been accepted for enrollment. The standard form shall be made available by the NCAA national office. The form is located on the Legislative Services Database (LSDDB).



Division III

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Athletics Recruiting/Communication Quick Reference Guide

This document is designed to provide a quick reference of NCAA Division III recruiting rules. It is not to serve as a substitute for the legislation in the NCAA Division III Manual. Division III recruiting rules apply to athletics-based recruiting and are not meant to limit an institution's admissions office from the recruitment of prospective students generally.

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CAMPUS VISITS

	Official visits	Unofficial visits
Number of Visits Permitted	One financed visit per institution.	Unlimited.
First Opportunity to Visit	January 1 of the prospective student-athlete's (PSA) junior year in high school.	Any time.
Permissible Length of Visit	Shall not exceed 48 hours. The 48-hour period begins at the time the PSA arrives on campus.	No time limitations.
Meals	Three on-campus meals per day for the PSA and individuals accompanying the PSA. Dessert or after-meal snack also is permitted. May provide meals while in transit to and from visit.	One on-campus meal for the PSA only.
Lodging	Campus or within 30-mile radius of campus and comparable to student life. May include other guests if no additional cost. May provide a separate room for parents/guardians. May provide lodging while in transit to and from visit.	None, unless lodging is generally available to all visiting prospective students.
Entertainment	Maximum of \$40 each day (no cash to the PSA) within a 30-mile radius of campus. \$40 must cover PSA, the PSA's parents, guardian(s), spouse or individual of comparable relationship and student host.	None.
Complimentary Admissions to Home Athletics Event	Admission for the PSA and any individual accompanying the PSA (no limit on the number of tickets). No special seating.	Admission for the PSA and any individual accompanying the PSA (no limit on the number of tickets). May not reserve additional game tickets. May not arrange special parking. No special seating.
Transportation	Round-trip (e.g., airfare, mileage) cost for the PSA only (including other individuals traveling in same automobile). The PSA may receive special on-campus parking. Transportation to view home practice and competition sites in the PSA's sport or other home institutional facilities.	Transportation to view home practice and competition sites in the PSA's sport or other home institutional facilities.

See Bylaws 13.5, 13.6 and 13.7 for more information.

SOCIAL MEDIA TIMING

When	Athletics may	Athletics may not
Before the PSA submits a financial deposit to the institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send private/direct messages to the PSA (or PSA's family) using social media. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send a public message to the PSA (or PSA's family) on social media. Post information about the PSA on social media. Like the PSA's post (or a post the PSA is tagged in). Follow, friend, retweet, tag or post to the PSA's page/timeline.
After the PSA submits a financial deposit to the institution, but before May 1 of the senior year in high school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send private/direct messages to the PSA (or PSA's family) using social media. Use social media to announce the PSA's commitment to attend the institution, without tagging the PSA. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send a public message to the PSA (or PSA's family) using social media. Like the PSA's post (or a post the PSA is tagged in). Follow, friend, retweet, tag or post to the PSA's page/timeline.
After the PSA submits a financial deposit to the institution, and it is after May 1 of the senior year in high school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send private/direct messages to the PSA (or PSA's family) using social media. Use social media to announce the PSA's commitment to attend the institution. Send a public message to the PSA (or PSA's family) using social media. Like the PSA's post (or a post the PSA is tagged in). Follow, friend, retweet, tag or post to the PSA's page/timeline. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send a public message to the PSA (or PSA's family) using social media. Post information about the PSA on social media. Like the PSA's post (or a post the PSA is tagged in). Follow, friend, retweet, tag or post to the PSA's page/timeline.

See Bylaws 13.02.11 and 13.10 for more information.

ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSIONS (Bylaw 13.02.11)

- No restrictions on the number or timing of telephone calls (including videoconferencing and videoconferences) and private electronic correspondence (electronic mail, text messages, private communication through social networking site) to PSAs.