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What Do My Students Need *Before* Taking an Official Visit?

In order to go on an official visit, students must complete their Certification Account registration with the NCAA Eligibility Center (including submitting payment or a fee waiver request), be on that NCAA Division I or II school's Institution Request List (IRL) and present the institution with a high school or college academic transcript. If a student currently has a Profile Page, he/she must convert that account to a Certification and pay the fee/request a fee waiver.

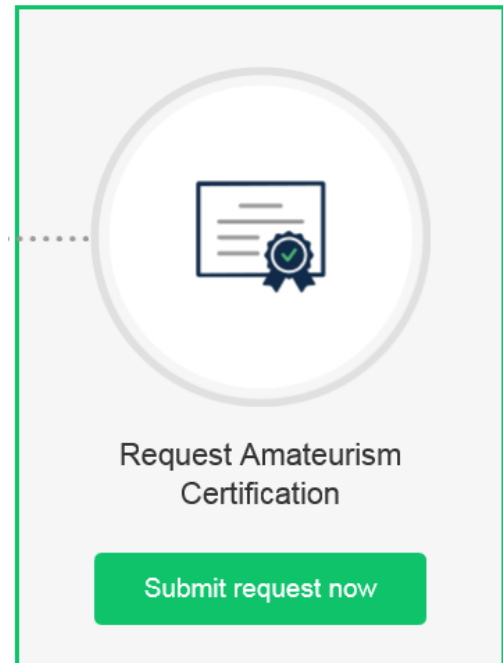


Make sure your students are communicating their NCAA ID numbers to the school(s) recruiting them so the school can find their account and monitor for their eligibility during the recruiting process.

Request Final Amateurism Certification for Winter/Spring Enrollees

Prospective student-athletes with an enrollment period of Winter/Spring 2020 were able to request final amateurism certification starting October 1. In order for an account to be ready-to-process for final amateurism all amateurism tasks must be closed, and final amateurism needs to have been requested. To avoid last-minute delays, please encourage your mid-year enrollees to check their accounts regularly to ensure they are responding to open tasks.

A tutorial on how to request amateurism can be found [here](#). *Still have questions?* Reach out to our staff at 877-262-1492 — we're here for you!



Proactive Calls

Our high school customer service team may be reaching out to your designated school contacts if a student has missing transcripts, programs that need to begin a review, or open tasks. These calls help you in the process, as open issues can affect your student's initial-eligibility status. We appreciate your attention to the open tasks and providing the information so that we may continue reviews for the prospective student-athletes.

What are Nontraditional Courses?

Nontraditional courses include classes taught online or through blended learning, distance learning, credit recovery, independent study or similar means.



For a nontraditional program to be approved, the courses must meet the following requirements:

- The courses must meet NCAA [core-course requirements](#).
- The courses must have ongoing and regular teacher-initiated interaction for the purposes of teaching, evaluating and providing assistance throughout the duration of the course. This may include synchronous or asynchronous instructive interaction, including emails, videoconferencing, online chats, phone calls and feedback on assessments.
- The courses must have a defined time period for completion. This means the nontraditional program must identify the fastest and slowest paths to successfully complete a course (i.e., maximum and minimum time frame for completion).

Click [here](#) to find your program's list of NCAA courses.

Reminder: 9th Grade Starts the Registration Process

The ninth grade is a great time for students to start the initial-eligibility process by registering with the Eligibility Center. The Eligibility Center recommends ninth grade student-athletes register with a free Profile Page at eligibilitycenter.org. Students should expect to spend 15 to 30 minutes to complete a Profile Page. If at any time the student wishes to play at the Division I or II level, they can transition to a Certification Account and pay the registration fee to begin the certification process. Students can find more information and resources about registering on our [How to Register page](#).

NCAA Eligibility Center Login Help High School Administrators

WANT TO PLAY COLLEGE SPORTS?
Creating an account is the first step to becoming an NCAA student-athlete

REGISTER

NOT SURE WHICH DIVISION YOUR SCHOOL IS IN?
Learn more or search NCAA schools.

DIVISION I or II

You need to be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center to compete at an NCAA Division I or II school. Create a Certification Account and we'll guide you through the process.

You need to create a Certification Account to make official visits to Divisions I and II schools or to sign a National Letter of Intent.

DIVISION III or UNDECIDED

Create a free Profile Page if you plan to compete at a Division III school or are not yet sure where you want to compete.

You'll get an NCAA ID, and we will send you important reminders as you complete high school.

Create an Account Create a Profile Page



NFHS "My Staff"

A game-changing tool for the NFHS Learning Center is here. The "My Staff" tool allows you to easily send courses to your coaches, monitor course completions and monitor course progress all within your NFHS Learning Center Dashboard. Click the video to learn more.

2019 High School Survey Results

This month's look at the 2019 High School Survey results highlights responses related to Eligibility Center processes. More than 1,600 survey participants responded as follows:



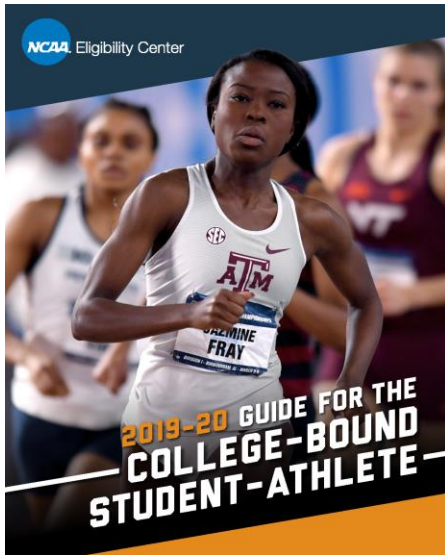
- 66% are satisfied or very satisfied with the core course submission process.
- 67% were satisfied or very satisfied with the account and program review process.
- 80% were satisfied or very satisfied overall with NCAA Eligibility Center.

In the next newsletter, we'll be taking a look at additional results and suggestions submitted as part of the survey. Thank you for participating, and we look forward to continuing the discussion on how we can improve our support and collaboration with the high school community.

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ONE OPPORTUNITY. LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES.

If you want to play sports at an NCAA Division I or II school, you must graduate from high school, complete 16 NCAA-approved core courses, earn a minimum GPA and earn an ACT or SAT score that matches your core course GPA.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
To play sports at a Division I or II school, you must graduate from high school, complete 16 NCAA-approved core courses, earn a minimum GPA and earn an ACT or SAT score that matches your core course GPA.

CORE COURSES
Only courses that appear on your high school's list of NCAA core courses will count toward the 16 core course requirement. Visit eligibilitycenter.org/corecourses for a full list of your high school's approved core courses. Complete 16 core courses in the following areas:

DIVISION I
Complete 16 NCAA core courses, including seven in English, math or natural/physical science, before your seventh semester:

ENGLISH 4 years	MATH (minimum 1 in high school) 3 years	NATURAL/PHYSICAL SCIENCE (your school's list of approved courses) 2 years	ADDITIONAL COURSES (your school's list of approved courses) 1 year	SOCIAL SCIENCE 2 years	ADDITIONAL COURSES (your school's list of approved courses) 4 years
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DIVISION II

ENGLISH 3 years	MATH (minimum 1 in high school) 2 years	NATURAL/PHYSICAL SCIENCE (your school's list of approved courses) 2 years	ADDITIONAL COURSES (your school's list of approved courses) 3 years	SOCIAL SCIENCE 2 years	ADDITIONAL COURSES (your school's list of approved courses) 4 years
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GRADE-POINT AVERAGE
The NCAA Eligibility Center calculates your grade-point average based only on the grades you earn in NCAA-approved core courses.

- DI requires a minimum 2.3 GPA.

SLIDING SCALE
Divisions I and II use sliding scales to match test scores and GPAs to determine eligibility. The sliding scale balances your test score with your GPA. If you have a low test score, you need a higher GPA to be eligible. Find more information about test scores at ncaa.org/high-school.

TEST SCORES
You may take the SAT or ACT an unlimited number of times before you enroll full time in college. Every time you register for the SAT or ACT, use the NCAA Eligibility Center code 5085 to send your scores directly to us from the testing agency. We accept official scores only from the ACT or SAT, and each test score allowed on your high school transcript. If you take either test more than once, the best subsection from different tests are used to give you the best possible score.

Our Three Divisions

The NCAA's three divisions were created in 1973 to align like-minded campuses in the areas of philosophy, competition and opportunity.

NCAA 101

DIVISION 1	DIVISION 2	DIVISION 3
351 SCHOOLS	308 SCHOOLS	443 SCHOOLS
9,895 MEMBER UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT	2,514 STUDENTS WHO ARE ATHLETES	1,736
1 in 25 AVERAGE NUMBER OF YEARS PER SCHOOL	1 in 11	1 in 6
19 PERCENTAGE OF NCAA STUDENT-ATHLETES IN DIVISION 1	16 PERCENTAGE OF NCAA STUDENT-ATHLETES IN DIVISION 2	18 PERCENTAGE OF NCAA STUDENT-ATHLETES IN DIVISION 3
Multiple, most of athletes' scholarships available (80% of athletes receive athletic aid)	Partial athletic scholarships available (50% of athletes receive athletic aid)	No athletic scholarships (50% of athletes receive athletic aid)

What are the eligibility requirements in each division?
College-bound students who want to compete at a Division I or Division II school must meet standards set by NCAA members. For Division II athletes must meet the admissions standards set by the school. Eligibility standards can be found at ncaa.org/student-athlete/future.

How is each division governed?
NCAA schools develop and approve legislation for their own division. Groups of presidents and chairmen lead each division in the form of committees with regularly scheduled meetings.

Did you know?
Division I student-athletes graduate at a higher rate than the general student body.

Division II is the only division with schools in Alaska, Florida, Hawaii and Canada.

Division III's largest school has 24,700 undergraduates. The smallest? 284.

Learn more at ncaa.org/about.

The Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete is our most comprehensive student resource.

[Download](#)

Our Initial-Eligibility Brochure provides a general overview of the NCAA Eligibility Center requirements.

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Students can learn which NCAA division may be right for them by comparing the three NCAA divisions.

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