



# Eligibility

**Instructions:** Go through the steps in this worksheet to create your NCAA Eligibility Account and gather some tips and tricks for ensuring eligibility and speaking with coaches. Schedule an appointment with Ms. Bene for help with any of these steps and to find out the procedure for reaching out to coaches.

## Which Division

Division I

Division II

Division III

## Create an Account

Go to [EligibilityCenter.org](http://EligibilityCenter.org) to register an account.

- Division I & II= select "Certification Account"
- Division III= select "Profile Page Account"

You must have a completed Certification Account before you can make any Official Visits to a University or sign a DI-DII National Letter of Intent.

## Request Amateur Status

When you register a Certification Account with the NCAA Eligibility Center, you will be asked a series of questions about your sports participation to determine your amateur status. [Amateur status](#) is required to be able to compete at a DI or II institution.

Some examples of situations that would need to be verified include:

- Playing with professionals
- Receiving prize money
- Involvement in a recruiting service
- Receiving payment/ preferential treatment for playing sports

When to request Final Amateur Certification:

- Fall enrollment= on or after Apr. 1
- Winter/Spring enrollment= on or after Oct. 1

## Registration Requirements

You will need:

- Valid student email address (not your school email)
- Basic student demographic info
- Basic student education history (all schools and programs the student attended) View academic standards [here](#)
- Student sports participation history (detail awards and expenses to verify amateur status)

Payment or Fee Waiver is only required for Certification Accounts

## Send Info

- Your Test Scores (ACT/SAT) using code 9999
- Your transcripts (ask your counselor to upload your final Official Transcript after graduation)
- If you attended multiple high schools or programs, send ALL official transcripts.

## Reaching out to Coaches

Communicating with coaches can be intimidating and hard to navigate at times, but, ultimately, your discussions with the coach will be the biggest factor in helping you decide where to commit. Here are a few things to keep in mind in email correspondence and Official Visits.

Ask the coach, the athletics director, or admissions:

- What academic resources are available
- How long would my scholarship be for? Renewals?
- Admission requirements?
- Degree programs and graduation rates?
- What support is there for athletic injuries and rehab? Expenses associated with these?
- What are the time demands of the Team?
- Playing time? What position will I play?
- Coaching philosophy and style?
- What on-campus housing options are available?
- What mental health resources are available to me?

Find more questions to ask at [NCAA.org/student-athletes/future/choosing-college](http://NCAA.org/student-athletes/future/choosing-college)