

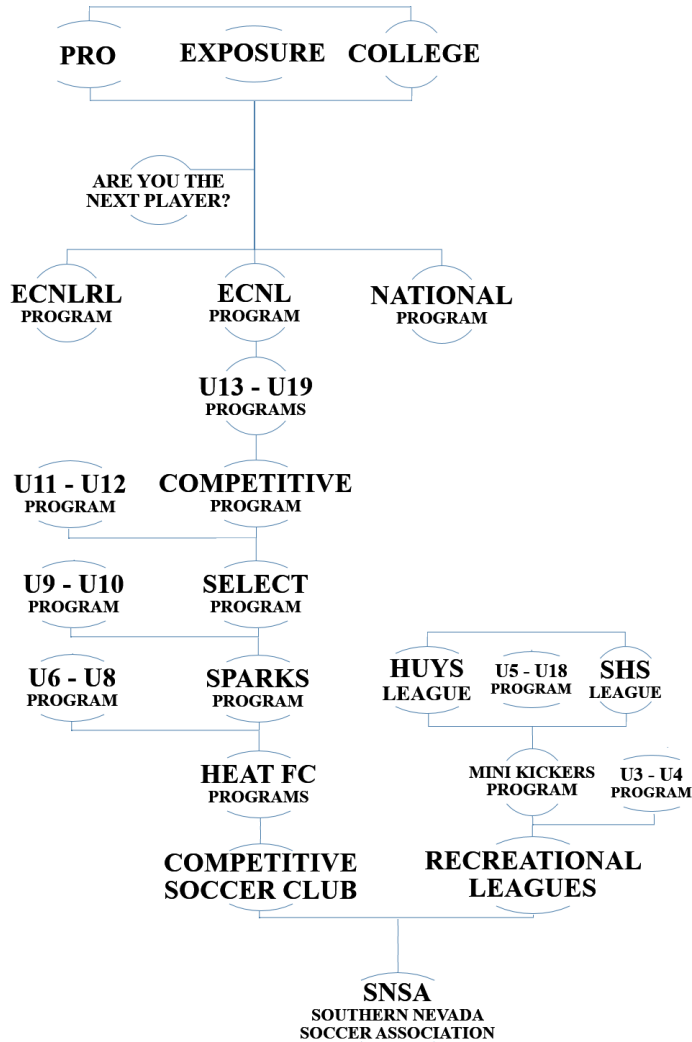


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**PLAY HARD. PLAY SMART. PLAY HEAT.**

# COLLEGE PREP PROGRAM 2020/2021







# HEAT FOOTBALL CLUB

**ARE YOU THE NEXT  
PLAYER?  
COLLEGE & PRO  
PATHWAY**





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## COLLEGE PATHWAY





## MISTAKES MADE BY STUDENT ATHLETES

- They start their recruiting process too late.
- Contact too few schools & target schools that are out of their reach, athletically and/or academically.
- They don't have grades, test scores, player profile or video highlight of their games
- They think that because they are a good athlete, college coaches will discover them.
- They think it's their coach's job to get them a college scholarship.
- They think that by registering with NCAA Initial Eligibility Center that college coaches will recruit them.
- Not understand the scholarship and financial aid process



## MISTAKES MADE BY PARENTS

- Think They Understand the Process
- Think They can Evaluate Your Talent
- Loose Track of the Importance of a College Education and Degree
- Believe “If a College Wants my Child, They will Find a Way to get Him/Her Into School.”
- Think a Letter from a Coach Means a Scholarship
- Expecting the High School Coach or Coach to Guide the Process





## NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR COLLEGE ATHLETES:

**NCAA:** National Collegiate Athletic Association

[www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org)

**NAIA:** National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics

[www.naia.org](http://www.naia.org)

**NJCAA:** NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

[www.njcaa.org](http://www.njcaa.org)



# NCAA: NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

- The National Collegiate Athletic Association is a member-led organization dedicated to the well-being and lifelong success of college athletes.
- NCAA HAS 3 DIVISIONS: D-I, D-II, D-III





## NCAA: WHY ARE THERE NCAA DIVISIONS?

- **NCAA Divisions exist to create parity and level the playing field.** With divisions, schools should be competing against other schools of a similar size and with similar resources. However, in the climate of today's NCAA sports, there can be huge disparities between schools in the same division, especially in Division I.
- For example, from 2006-2011, the athletics revenue for the University of Alabama was \$124,498,616. During that same period, the athletics revenue for Alabama State University was \$10,614,081. **Both are Division I schools.**



## NCAA: DIVISION 'I'

- There are 205 programs for men's soccer colleges
- They offer scholarships, but not all programs are fully funded.
- It's crucial to develop a relationship with the coach to learn more about how each particular program handles scholarship opportunities.





## WHAT MAKES DIVISION I UNIQUE?

- Compared to NCAA Division II and III schools, **NCAA Division I schools have the biggest student bodies, the largest athletic budgets, and the most athletic scholarships.**
- All of the major sports conferences, including the Big 10, Big 12, Pac 12, and ACC, are composed of Division I colleges.
- While Ivy League colleges are Division I, they don't offer athletic scholarships.



## NCAA: DIVISION 'II'

- There are 214 programs for men's soccer colleges
- They offer athletic scholarships but there are fewer to go around than at the D1 level.
- It's crucial to develop a relationship with the coach to learn more about how each particular program handles scholarship opportunities.





## NCAA: DIVISION 'III'

- There are 415 programs men's soccer
- D3 schools generally do not offer athletic scholarships but provide student-athletes with the opportunity to receive merit, need-based or academic scholarships.
- D3 students are on some kind of financial aid and D3 programs can be very helpful in finding scholarship money for athletes.
- Many D3 schools are known for their academic rigor, but schools at this level also field talented soccer programs.
- D3 men's soccer players usually have more flexibility than D1 or D2 athletes to explore interests and activities outside of their sport, similarly to NAIA men's soccer schools.



## NAIA: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

- There are 188 programs men's soccer
- There are NAIA men's soccer scholarships available for athletes.
- The amount of money athletes can receive as part of their NAIA men's soccer scholarship will depend on the school, coach, talent level and position.
- A fully funded NAIA men's soccer program can give out 12 scholarships, compared to the 9.9 scholarships that can be offered by a fully funded D2 program.
- NAIA schools also have other financial aid opportunities outside of athletic scholarships. Potential recruits should look into academic, merit and need-based scholarships to bring down the overall cost of tuition.
- While smaller than the NCAA, the NAIA offers more than 180 four-year institutions with men's soccer programs.





## NJCAA: NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

- Junior colleges are two-year universities that give student-athletes an opportunity to develop their athletic and academic skills in a post-high school program.
- There are 217 junior college men's program
- NJCAA has 3 divisions: DIVISION ( I, II, III)
- Many junior college men's soccer teams have future D1 and D2 athletes on their roster who are there to hone their skills before they commit to a four-year school.
- For athletes who might not have the grades, finances or build for a four-year school, a junior college men's soccer program can be a great way to gain experience competing against collegiate athletes.
- Yes, junior colleges can give out up to 18 scholarships per team to qualified athletes.
- Depending on the school and how funded the program is, qualified athletes might receive a partial or full-ride scholarship.



## UPDATE: NCAA CHANGES DUE TO COVID-19

- **NCAA Division 1: Dead period until January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021**
- **NCAA Division 2: Recruiting resumed on September 1<sup>st</sup> 2020**
- **NCAA Division 3:** No official updates have been announced
- As a result of the coronavirus pandemic, **NCAA has made temporary changes to player eligibility.**
- First, prospective Division I and Division II players initially enrolling during the 2021/2022 academic year don't need to submit [ACT](#) or [SAT](#) scores.
- Their academic eligibility will only be based on their GPA.
- Additionally, the NCAA is granting spring and fall 2020 athletes an additional year of eligibility and season of competition.
- As of September 1, 2020, NCAA D2 and D3 have resumed the [regular recruiting rules](#).





## UPDATE: NAIA CHANGES DUE TO COVID-19

- **NAIA:** No official updates have been announced.
- Incoming Freshman Unable to Take ACT/SAT for 2020-21 Academic Year A student that does not have a satisfactory test score can satisfy freshman eligibility standards and become eligible by having at least a 2.000 final high school GPA.
- The student will receive an eligible determination from the eligibility center.
- However, any student using this exception will be required to earn at least a 2.000 cumulative collegiate GPA prior to their next season of competition in order to maintain eligibility and compete in that following season.
- This additional collegiate GPA requirement is required as part of the student's ability to gain eligibility immediately by use of solely a high school GPA, and is in addition to any applicable continuing eligibility rules that would normally apply.
- All 2020-2021 entering freshmen can still become eligible by satisfying two out of the three requirements, as normal. Any freshmen gaining eligibility this way will not be required to meet a collegiate 2.00 GPA prior to their second season of competition.



## UPDATE: NJCAA CHANGES DUE TO COVID-19

- NJCAA:** In-person recruiting ban is lifted as of May 15<sup>th</sup> 2020





## MEN'S SOCCER PROGRAMS, PARTICIPATION & SCHOLARSHIPS

Schools Offering Soccer		Student-Athlete Participation		Athletic Scholarship Opportunities	
NCAA Division I	<b>205</b>	NCAA Division I	<b>5,607</b>	Division I(per school)	<b>9.9</b>
NCAA Division II	<b>188</b>	NCAA Division II	<b>4,919</b>	Division II (per school)	<b>9</b>
NCAA Division III	<b>415</b>	NCAA Division III	<b>11,075</b>	NAIA	<b>12</b>
NAIA	<b>188</b>	NAIA	<b>4,553</b>	NJCAA (*varies per school)	<b>18</b>
Junior College	<b>217</b>	Junior College	<b>5,024</b>		
Total	<b>1,231</b>	High School	<b>391,839</b>		



## COLLEGE STATS FOR THE STATE OF NEVADA

Schools Offering		Scholarship Opportunities		Athletic Scholarship Opportunities	
Division I – UNLV	1	Division I	9.9	<b>Total Roster Spots</b>	25
Division II	0	Division II	0	Division I	0
Division III	0	Division III	0	Division II	0
NAIA – Sierra Nevada College	1	NAIA	12	Division III	0
JC – CSN- Division I	1	JC – Book Scholarship \$1200	0	NAIA	0
Total	3	Total	39.9	JC	25





## COLLEGE STATS FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Schools Offering		Scholarship Opportunities		Total Roster Spots	
Division I	21	Division I	207.9	Division I	525
Division II	21	Division II	189	Division II	567
Division III	10	Division III	0	Division III	300
NAIA	19	NAIA	228	NAIA	0
JC	79	JC	1422	JC	0
Total	150	Total	2046.9	Total	1392



## COLLEGE STATS FOR THE STATE OF UTAH

Schools Offering		Scholarship Opportunities		Total Roster Spots	
Division I	3	Division I	29.7	Division I	75
Division II	1	Division II	9	Division II	27
Division III	0	Division III	0	Division III	0
NAIA	0	NAIA	0	NAIA	0
JC	3	JC	54	JC	0
Total	7	Total	92.7	Total	102





## COLLEGE STATS FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO

Schools Offering		Scholarship Opportunities		Total Roster Spots	
Division I	0	Division I	0.0	Division I	0
Division II	1	Division II	9	Division II	27
Division III	0	Division III	0	Division III	0
NAIA	1	NAIA	12	NAIA	0
JC	1	JC	18	JC	0
Total	3	Total	39.0	Total	27



## COLLEGE STATS FOR THE STATE OF OREGON

Schools Offering		Scholarship Opportunities		Total Roster Spots	
Division I	2	Division I	19.8	Division I	50
Division II	0	Division II	0	Division II	0
Division III	4	Division III	0	Division III	120
NAIA	7	NAIA	84	NAIA	0
JC	7	JC	126	JC	0
Total	20	Total	229.8	Total	170





## COLLEGE STATS FOR THE STATE OF ARIZONA

Schools Offering		Scholarship Opportunities		Total Roster Spots	
Division I	1	Division I	9.9	Division I	25
Division II	0	Division II	0	Division II	0
Division III	0	Division III	0	Division III	0
NAIA	5	NAIA	60	NAIA	0
JC	11	JC	198	JC	0
Total	17	Total	267.9	Total	25



# HEAT FC PLAYERS

**WHERE ARE YOU NOW?**

**FRESHMAN**

**SOPHMORE**

**JUNIOR**

**SENIOR**





## FRESHMAN YEAR

- ✓ Get settled in. Concentrate on schoolwork
- ✓ Set-up workout schedule
- ✓ If you think you are interested in attending college for a sport:
  - Create a list of potential schools
  - Send a letter of introduction
  - Send an update at the end of your season with your club schedule
  - Register with the NCAA



## SOPHOMORE YEAR

- ✓ Strive for Academic success
- ✓ Begin to research NCAA requirements and make sure you are on target for all core requirements
- ✓ Go to the career center. Start investigating colleges and their admission requirements
- ✓ Prepare your initial contact letters with resume:
  - ✓ Include all schedules
  - ✓ Include a 4-6 minute video of basic skills and game footage
- ✓ Update your academics with the NCAA
- ✓ **Summer after Sophomore Year** - Send contact letters with resume





## JUNIOR YEAR

- ✓ Register with the NCAA
- ✓ Keep up with studies and any changing NCAA requirements
- ✓ Continue to investigate colleges and send additional, updated resumes with schedules
- ✓ Enhance your skills and game tape so you are prepared when requested
- ✓ Visit some of the campuses you are interested in
- ✓ Try to watch the schools you are interested in play



## JUNIOR YEAR

- ✓ In July after your Junior Year
  - ✓ Begin heavy contact with schools you are interested in
  - ✓ Update your academics with the NCAA
  - ✓ Ensure your SAT/ACT scores have been sent to the NCAA
  - ✓ Continue to send resumes and videos to additional colleges of interest
  - ✓ Send your Summer schedule ASAP
  - ✓ Make more UNOFFICIAL visits





## SENIOR YEAR

- ✓ Do not let up on academics
- ✓ Review core requirements with your guidance counselor
- ✓ Send senior team schedule asap
- ✓ Send updated resumes, stats, videos
- ✓ Find out Letter of Intent Date for your sport
- ✓ Take advantage of OFFICIAL visits if offered
- ✓ STUDY HARD, PLAY HARD



## MEMBER OF HEAT FC

Are you late ?

What Should you know?

What should you do?

We are here to help

Never to late to start. Why?

Your college eligibility starts when ?





# WANT TO BECOME A COLLEGE STUDENT-ATHLETE?

You have to have G.A.M.E!

**G**rades & test score

**A**bility

**M**otivation. Are you willing to put in the necessary work?

**E**xposure



# PREPARATION FOR YOUR RECRUITMENT JOURNEY

## Doing the Work!

- This is not an easy or simple process unless you are the top 5% in the Nation
- Have a clear idea of what you want.
- Enjoy the process.
- Who is interviewing who?
- Understanding of the simple rules protect you.





# YOUR PORTFOLIO

- GRADES/TEST
- PROFILE
- VIDEO
- CONTACT LETTER
- CONTACT SCHOOLS
- EXPOSURE
- RECRUITMENT PROCESS
- SCHOLARSHIP & FINANCIAL AID
- COLLEGE COMMITMENT



## GRADES/TEST

- GPA - QUALIFIES ?
- SAT - QUALIFIES ?
- ACT - QUALIFIES ?
- IMPROVE THE SCORES IF NEEDED





# PLAYER PROFILE

1. Relevant info.
2. Contact info
3. Academic info
4. Sports info
5. NCAA info



## VIDEO

1. Length 4-6 minutes
2. 20-25 clips of game action for field play
3. Show enough of the field – at least 1/3 of the field
4. Foot skills/technical ability
5. Runs with and without the ball
6. Easy to access – create a YouTube channel





# TIPS ON CREATING A VIDEO FOR GOALKEEPERS

1. Skills footage and match footage; highlight skills that weren't shown in match footage
2. Shot stopping
3. Extension and collapse diving to both sides, preferably in a variety of situations
4. Collecting, parrying and boxing
5. Breakaways, angle play and sliding saves
6. Distribution: back passes, punts, drop kicks, throws, rolls
7. Punting: follow the ball when filming to see the distance
8. Goal kicks
9. Showing footwork throughout the video



# TIPS ON CREATING A VIDEO FOR DEFENDERS

1. Defending: 1v1, small groups, crosses and corners in the air, chasing down players, blocking shots
2. Intercepting, running forward and getting into the attack
3. Showing timing, defensive shape, technical abilities, a clean first touch
4. Keeping possession with your distribution
5. Wings: making runs forward





# TIPS ON CREATING A VIDEO FOR MIDFIELDERS

1. Both sides of the ball: blocking passing lanes and getting into the attack
2. Reading the game with off-the-ball movement
3. Working hard defensively



# TIPS ON CREATING A VIDEO FOR WINGERS

1. Beating opponents down the line and turning the corner
2. Crossing the ball, preferably with both feet
3. Playing 18 to 18 with a good engine
4. Making well-timed and creative runs
5. Showing change of pace





# TIPS ON CREATING A VIDEO FOR DEFENSIVE CENTER MIDFIELDERS

1. Staying consistent and reliable
2. Winning all balls in the air and distributing them to teammates
3. Clogging up the middle and disrupting opponents' attacks
4. Clean first touch



# TIPS ON CREATING A VIDEO FOR ATTACKING CENTER-MIDFIELDERS

1. Playmaking ability
2. Showing technical control in tight spaces
3. Speed of play
4. Clean first touch





# TIPS ON CREATING A VIDEO FOR FORWARDS

1. Goals and assists
2. Getting behind the back line
3. Dribbling, combining and timing runs
4. Finishing with multiple surfaces
5. Getting on the end of corner kicks and crosses and put them on frame
6. Reading the play to know when your teammate is about to win the ball  
and check back into space to be an outlet pass
7. Playing back to goal and playing others in



# CONTACT LETTER





## CONTACTING COACHES

### **Step 1: Send an introductory email to the coach**

The best way to contact college coaches is through email. An introductory email is an important first step in the process and is a great way to initially send your key information to college coaches.

### **Step 2: Follow-up with a call to the coach**

If the contact period has started for your sport (June 15 after sophomore year or September 1 of junior year), following up with a phone call to the coach is an important step. Since D1 coaches are not allowed to talk to you before the contact period, there is not much value in giving them an early call.



## CONTACTING COACHES

### **Step 3: Respond to recruiting letters from college coaches**

Though recruiting relies primarily on digital methods, coaches may still send different types of recruiting letters to athletes and recruits should respond.

### **Step 4: Keep in touch with coaches and update them with new stats**

Sometimes the most difficult part of the recruiting process is keeping the lines of communication open with college coaches. A few great reasons to reach out to a coach include: when you have new athletic or academic stats, you're planning on visiting their school and want to set up a meeting, or you want to invite them to an upcoming tournament where you'll be competing.





## CONTACTING COACHES FROM HEAT FC

- How we can Help ?
  - We will create a team YouTube channel.
  - All players should sent us their most recent video with their soccer highlights.
  - We will reach out to coaches in our network & new schools



## CONTACT COLLEGES

- LIST OF SCHOOLS – WHICH ONES & WHY ?
  - SHARE YOUR PLAYER PORTFOLIO
  - SHARE YOUR VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS
  - SHARE YOUR GRADES / TEST SCORES
  - NOTIFY ABOUT YOUR UPCOMING EVENTS
  - COMBINE EVENTS OR THEIR ID CAMP





## EXPOSURE EVENTS/ID CAMPS

- Someone is always watching
- Before, during, halftime, and after the game
- Give your best effort and showcase your strengths
- They are watching you not the scoreboard
- Give your team the best chance to showcase well



# EXPOSURE EVENTS

- List of Coaches attending the EVENT.
- Colleges listed are on your list.
- Schedule of events?
- Purpose for attending?
- Locations and hosting clubs.
- Tradition of success?





# EXPOSURE ID CAMPS

- Staff attending an event or working the ID camp?
- Purpose for attending?
- Invitation?
- Soccer Program of choice?
- Breakdown of itinerary and camp schedule.



# EXPOSURE ID CAMP

- Showcase Camp – San Antonio – November 21<sup>st</sup> – Early Bird \$339 , Standard \$400
- Showcase Camp – Denver – November 24<sup>th</sup> – Early Bird \$339 , Standard \$400
- Showcase Camp – Phoenix – November 29<sup>th</sup> – Early Bird \$339 , Standard \$400

## Showcase Games

College coaches want to see you play! Participate in competitive games with an emphasis on 11v11. Games will be coached by current college coaches. All games will be filmed so you have recent game footage to share with college coaches on your recruiting list.

## Digital Video Footage

All games will be filmed using professional-quality cameras from an elevated angle to capture all action. Raw game footage will be provided to you at no extra cost. It will also be accessible to EXACT's Network of College Coaches, which includes top NCAA D1, D2, D3, and NAIA programs.

## In-Person Exposure

Expand your college network by meeting NCAA and NAIA coaches in person. College coaches who are permitted to recruit will be on-site coaching you throughout camp. This simulates a college environment, so you can get feedback in real-time. Coaches listed in the "Confirmed College Coaches" section (below) will be at camp in person.

## Kickstart Your Recruiting

We provide you with critical tools to fast-track your ability to get recruited in a digital age. In addition to game footage access, you will receive a college Performance Report with ratings that can be shared with any college in the country.





# NCAA: RECRUITMENT PROCESS

- School Selection
- NCAA Clearinghouse
- Eligibility
- Finalizing your choice

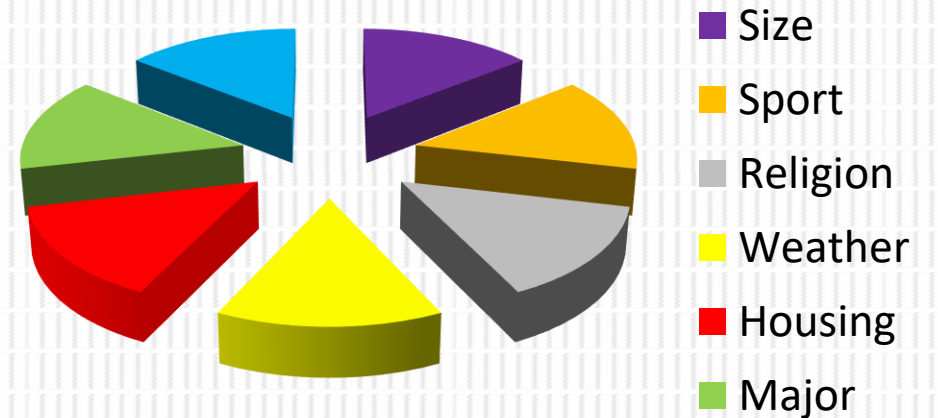


# RECRUITMENT PROCESS

## SCHOOL SELECTION

### Your “Best Fit” College(s)

- Choose a College based on your CAREER aspirations.
  - Post Grad?
- Costs/Scholarship opportunities (NCAA, NAIA, NJCAA?)
- Does the College fit your academic needs?
- What does the Athletic Program look like?
- Coaches within the selected program?
- Alumni?







# RECRUITMENT PROCESS

## NCAA CLEARINGHOUSE

- The NCAA clearinghouse verifies the eligibility of a student- athlete to participate in NCAA sanctioned events.
- Determines what level you are eligible for Div 1 or Div 2.
- Attached with your registration is an NCAA ID Number, this will be your number through your College Recruiting and Playing career.
- There is a one time fee attached to the NCAA Clearinghouse Registration.



# RECRUITMENT PROCESS

## NCAA CLEARINGHOUSE

NCAA Statement on becoming Eligible for NCAA Competition.

### **Becoming Eligible**

“The NCAA membership creates rules in three separate divisions that determine an individual’s eligibility to participate in intercollegiate athletics. Prospective student- athletes must meet minimum academic standards and amateurism criteria in to play college sports. The NCAA Eligibility Center administers the process for prospects seeking initial eligibility. NCAA membership committees composed of faculty members, administrators and other higher education professionals create and apply eligibility standards.”

*NCAA website*





## NCAA: RECRUITMENT PROCESS

- Contact: A **contact** has occurred when an NCAA coach or representative of the institution, has face to face contact with you or your parents that is more than just to say “Hello.”
- Contact Period: A NCAA College Coach may have in-person contact with you or your parents on/off the college campus.
- Dead Period: A NCAA College Coach may **NOT** have in-person contact with you or your parents on/off the college campus during this period.



## NCAA: RECRUITMENT PROCESS

NCAA Terms for Recruiting not commonly known

- Evaluation Period – NCAA Coach may watch you play or visit your High School, but cannot have any in-person conversations with you or your parents OFF CAMPUS. Campus visits are allowed.
- Quiet Period – A NCAA college coach may not have in- person contact with you or your parents off the College campus. The Coach may not watch you play or visit your high school during this period.





# NCAA: RECRUITMENT PROCESS

- Official Visit:

An official visit is when the NCAA College may pay for your expenses.

Expenses are defined as the following:

- Transportation to and from the NCAA College.
- Room and Meals while visiting the NCAA College (\$15 Stipend).

\*Please be wary of amounts and hospitality given. Violations of these rule will forfeit the Recruitment of the Student-Athlete.

\*Unlimited visits, 1 per college; lasting 48 hours per college



# NCAA: RECRUITMENT PROCESS

- Unofficial Visit:

Any visit by you or your parents to a NCAA College paid for by you or your family.

\*The only time the coach cannot talk with you is during a DEAD PERIOD - Unofficial or Official.





# NCAA: RECRUITMENT PROCESS

## Some Good Questions for your Visit

- Academically based – Support during the season, standards, Coaches perception of Academic success.
- Academics vs. Athletics (professional in something other than Sport.)
- Current squad, returners, needs, positional expectations.
- Redshirt Policy for bigger programs, Medical Redshirts.



# NCAA: RECRUITMENT PROCESS TIPS AND ADVICE

- Stay in contact with the coach via email, calls, texts.
  - \*DON'T PANIC!
- Constantly check the NCAA Clearinghouse for updates. Remember to fill out the SAT/ACT correctly.
  - \*Check box for colleges.
- Understand the expectations and requirements going forward.
  - \*Every College/Program has different levels.
- Be aware that you could now be under the spotlight.





# FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP

- Academic Aid (money provided by the school for academics G.P.A,Test Scores) vs.Athletic Aid (At the discretion of the coach very subjective).
- FASFA Aid – Government money based on income, etc
  - [www.FAFSA.org](http://www.FAFSA.org)
- State Aid – Aid provided by the relevant States to help with school.

**\*All this aid has expectations, requirement for you as a Student – Athlete to receive.**

**KEEP YOUR GRADES UP!!!!**



## COLLEGE COMMITMENT

- Are you comfortable with the four year plan?
- Can you be successful in you chosen environment Academically, Socially, Athletically & Emotionally?
- Does the Coaching Staff, College Staff and others at the College have your best interests in mind?
- Can you move forward after your time at your chose college?
- Remember that **YOU** are committing to a plan – don't go into anything **YOU** are not ready to commit too.
- NCAA Clearinghouse – paperwork, forms and finalizing the process.





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**ARE YOU THE NEXT PLAYER?**

**PRO PATHWAY**



# PRO PATHWAY

## **FIFA**

**211 ASSOCIATIONS/COUNTRIES - 6 CONFEDERATIONS**

1. The AFC in Asia
2. CAF in Africa
3. (CONCACAF) in North & Central America & the Caribbean
4. CONMEBOL in South America
5. UEFA in Europe
6. the OFC in Oceania





## **PRO PATHWAY**

### **(USSF) UNITED STATES SOCCER FEDERATION & CANADA**

#### **Pro Leagues**

Division 1: Major League Soccer – 26 clubs

Division 2: USL Championship – 35 clubs

Division 3: USL League I – 12 clubs

Division 3: NISA – National Independent Soccer Association – 8 clubs



# PRO PATHWAY

## **FORMER HEAT FC PLAYERS**

Zico Bailey – Defender – FC Cincinnati – MLS

Daniel Leyva – Seattle Sounders FC – MLS

Azriel Gonzalez - Midfielder – Tacoma Defiance – USL

Gavin Beavers – GK – Real Monarchs – USL





# PRO PATHWAY

**PLAYER EXPOSURE TO MLS ACADEMIES**

LA GALAXY

LAFC

SEATTLE SOUNDERS

RSL

KANSAS SPORTING

PHILADELPHIA UNION

DALLAS FC

PORTLAND TIMBERS



# PRO PATHWAY IDENTIFICATION CAMPS

U.S. SOCCER CENTER PROGRAMS  
PDP PROGRAMS  
MLS ACADEMY ID CAMPS





# PRO PATHWAY PROCESS

**1) Football Scouts:** If you play for one of the best teams in your area and your team gets to the finals of every single tournament they participate in, chances are that scouts will be watching you.

(Looking for special talented player)

**2) Football Agents:** Agents main task is to advertise you to their ‘network’ of scouts and coaches. Some of them would also be able to provide you with career advice. In return they receive 10% of your salary and/or an upfront fee. Our advise would be to not sign an agreement with an agent but if you do it please ensure that is non-exclusive (meaning you can have multiple agents instead of just one). And never pay an upfront fee.

Go to the Registered FIFA AGENTS list and start looking at the list provided. Select agents in the countries where you would like to go for trials.



## PRO PATHWAY PROCESS

**3) Football Trial Days & Football Camps:** Companies will often charge a considerable amount of money to have you play at a venue where supposedly they have scouts watching.

**4) Email:** Emailing can be a great tool if the sender already has a good relationship with the receiver. To contact clubs yourself is a very troublesome path considering how difficult it is to build credibility when speaking for yourself. Clubs get dozens of emails every day with trial requests.





# PRO PATHWAY PROCESS

## **5) Private Full-Time Football Academies**

Full-time private football academies can be a great pathway to professional football. They provide you with the opportunities, but they also prepare you for the challenge, which increases your chances of succeeding on your quest. Unfortunately, in the last couple of years a lot of Academies came to light and most of them don't comply with the necessary requirements.

## **6) Football Coaches – Network**

This method is very effective when it comes to get a soccer trial. A football coach will have a lot of information on you. He'll know your strengths and weaknesses and he'll surely be able to link you to a few coaches. If your coach really believes in you he'll go the extra mile to provide you with opportunities. Soccer Interaction coaches are in permanent contact with our Academy Director and Technical Director.







# PRO PATHWAY PRO SOCCER COMBINE

## PSC – Pro Soccer Consulting

PSC tryout showcases players directly to professional clubs, coaches and agents, as well as PSC Agency Staff. PSC Pro Soccer combines, and agency staff, have produced 450+ professional trials and contract offers.

Date	Location
December 11-12-13, 2020	Phoenix, AZ
December 15-16-17, 2020	New York, NY
December 19-20-21, 2020	Atlanta, GA
January 7-8-9, 2021	Los Angeles, CA
January 11-12-13, 2021	Orlando, FL
January 25-26-27, 2021	Waldwick, NJ
January 29-30-31, 2021	Houston, TX



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