

WELCOME TO COLLEGE NIGHT





AGENDA

- ❑ Welcome/Introduction
- ❑ Goals/Expectation from the Symposium
 - Playing College Soccer
 - Recruitment Process, Information and Examples
 - Summary Of Eligibility
- ❑ College Coach Presentation/Information
 - D1 Derek Burton, SIUE Women's Head Coach
 - D2 John Van Buskirk, McKendree Men's Head Coach
 - D3 Chris Swift, Greenville Men's Head Coach
 - College Soccer as a player - Mark Ward
 - IYSA October 10/5/15 – Caulbert Smith, ADOC
 - NCAA Eligibility 2/16/16 - Katie Zingg, J.D. SIUE AADOC
- ❑ FAQ & Questions



NCAA AND NAIA INITIAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

PRESENTATION TO EDWARDSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

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GENERAL OVERVIEW

- NCAA Division I, II, and III academic eligibility requirements
- NAIA general information
- Basic recruiting information

NCAA

**NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC
ASSOCIATION**

GENERAL OVERVIEW - NCAA

- The NCAA is the largest intercollegiate athletics association with over 1,000 member schools
- Three divisions which are each comprised of similar, like-minded schools
- Local schools by division:

Division I	Division II	Division III (no athletic scholarships)
SIUE	Mckendree College, Maryville University	Greenville College, Fontbonne University
SLU	Lindenwood University (St. Charles)	Washington University in St. Louis
University of Missouri, Columbia	UMSL	Webster University

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

- Responsible for all initial-eligibility certifications for prospective student-athletes entering [Division I and II institutions](#).
- Determines whether the student-athlete is eligible for practice, competition and athletics aid his/her first year of college.

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

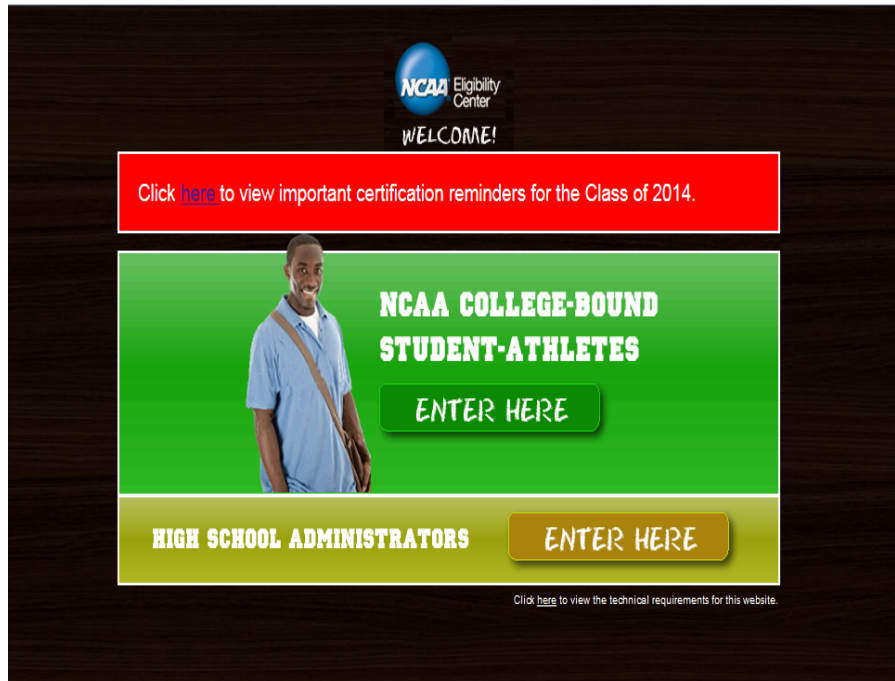
Registration process

- Any student who wants to participate in Division I or II athletics **must register with the Eligibility Center.**
- Students are encouraged to register during their junior year in high school.
- There is no deadline to register; however, a student must be registered before:
 - He/she can make an official visit to a DI or DII institution.
 - He/she can receive an offer of athletics aid at a DI or DII institution.

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER 5 STEP PROCESS

Step #1: Students must complete the registration process.

- Website: www.eligibilitycenter.org



The screenshot shows the NCAA Eligibility Center website. At the top center is the logo for the NCAA Eligibility Center, which includes a blue globe icon and the text "NCAA Eligibility Center" and "WELCOME!". Below the logo is a red banner with the text "Click [here](#) to view important certification reminders for the Class of 2014." Below the red banner is a green banner featuring a photograph of a young man in a light blue shirt and a brown bag. To the right of the photo, the text reads "NCAA COLLEGE-BOUND STUDENT-ATHLETES" and "ENTER HERE" in a white button. Below the green banner is a yellow banner with the text "HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS" and "ENTER HERE" in a white button. At the bottom of the page, there is a small link: "Click [here](#) to view the technical requirements for this website."

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

Step #2: High school must send an official transcript directly to the Eligibility Center.

- Transcript should be mailed in a sealed envelope or submitted through an approved online transcript system.

Step #3: Test scores (ACT, SAT) must be sent directly to the Eligibility Center from the testing agency.

- Test scores on official high school transcript will not be accepted.
- Eligibility Center code is 9999.

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

Step #4: Request final amateurism certification.

- Students must request final certification during senior year (Apr. 1 for fall enrollees).

Step #5: Upon graduation, students must have a final official high school transcript sent to the Eligibility Center.

- Transcript must show graduation date, including month and year at minimum.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

**SIGNIFICANT CHANGES FOR THE CLASS
OF 2016**

DIVISION I & II GENERAL ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Graduate from high school
2. Complete 16 core courses
3. Earn a minimum GPA in the 16 core courses
4. Earn a combined SAT or ACT sum score that matches the core course GPA and test score sliding scale
5. Each Division has Academic Criteria

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION STATUS

The Eligibility Center processes all the data and reports resulting in a Certification Status.

Division I and Division II have a set of different Certification Status results.

DIVISION III ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- No NCAA eligibility requirements.
- Student must meet the DIII school's admissions requirements to be eligible.
- Division III does not use the NCAA Eligibility Center.

NCAA SUMMARY – ELIGIBILITY

- All students planning to participate in Division I or II athletics as a freshman must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center.
- Students must receive both an academic AND amateurism certification.

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RECRUITING –
DIVISION I**

DIVISION I RECRUITING

- When, how often, and through what methods prospective student-athletes can be contacted depends on the sport
- Prospective student-athletes (recruit/student) can call athletic department staff members at any time, but the staff member cannot return the call until after the permissible date

DIVISION I RECRUITING

Soccer

- Unlimited phone calls and text messages beginning September 1 of the student's junior year
- No off-campus contact until after July 1 following the student's junior year
- Recruiting materials and emails may be sent beginning September 1 of the student's junior year

DIVISION I RECRUITING

Campus Visits

Unofficial Visits

- Student receives no expenses (meals, travel, lodging) from the university
- No limit on the number of unofficial visits and can happen at any time

Official Visits

- University pays some or all of the student's expenses relating to the visit
- Student is limited to one official visit per institution and a total of 5 official visits to Division I schools
- Visits can't be made until after 1st day of student's senior year

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RECRUITING –
DIVISION II**

DIVISION II RECRUITING

- June 15 after student's sophomore year:
 - Recruiting materials (Printed or Email)
 - Off-campus contact
 - Unlimited telephone calls and texts
- Official visits can be made beginning June 15 after the sophomore year

**NCAA
RECRUITING –
DIVISION III**

DIVISION III RECRUITING

- No limitations on the number of telephone calls beginning with student's freshman year
- No limitations on printed recruiting materials
- Off-campus contact can occur after conclusion of the student's junior year
- Official visits can be made after the student's first day of classes in senior year

HELPFUL INFORMATION

- **Eligibility Center website:**
www.eligibilitycenter.org
- **NCAA website:** www.ncaa.org
 - Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete
 - (Spanish version is also available)
 - Transfer Guide for Divisions I/II/III
 - www.2point3.org

NAIA

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS**

WHAT IS THE NAIA?

- The NAIA is an intercollegiate athletics association similar to the NCAA
- Only has 13 sports
 - Baseball/Softball, Basketball, Football, Soccer
 - Cross Country/Track & Field, Swimming, Golf, Tennis, Wrestling
- Schools do offer athletic scholarships
- Local schools that are NAIA members:
 - Lindenwood University – Belleville
 - Missouri Baptist University
 - William Woods University

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

- NAIA Eligibility Center – similar to NCAA's
 - www.playnaia.org
- Must receive an academic certification for eligibility
 - Must send high school transcripts and test scores
 - ACT/SAT Code: 9876

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

- Minimum GPA, Test Score (SAT/ACT) and Class Rank in order to be eligible at an NAIA school as a freshman
- No core course requirement like NCAA
- Can receive a certification prior to graduation if you have a 3.0 GPA at the end of the junior year and have met the minimum test score requirement



Questions?

