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COLLEGE RECRUITING BEGINS WITH YOU – SO WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR!

Being Proactive is essential to being successfully recruited. Here are a few things to keep you organized and ensure you are prepared on and off the field.

ACADEMICS – now is a great time to review your academics and ensure you are on track to meet or exceed NCAA Eligibility. Obtain a copy of your transcript from your guidance counselor and compare the classes you are taking to the ones that are required by the NCAA Eligibility Center.

REQUIRED COURSES

NCAA Division I

16 Total Core Course Units Required

- 4 units - English
- 3 units - Mathematics
- 2 units - Natural/Physical Science
(plus 1 unit of Science Lab if your high school offers it)
- 1 unit - Additional English, Math, or Natural/Physical Science
- 2 units - Social Science
- 4 units - Additional Courses
(from any area above, Foreign Language, Comparative Religion, or Philosophy)

All 16 units must be complete before enrolling in college

- 10 units must be complete **before** you begin 12th Grade
- At least 7 of these 10 units must be English, Math, or Natural/Physical Science
- AND**
- 15 units must be complete by your high school class's graduation
- All 16 units are required by then if you do NOT graduate on-time with your class

- 1-Year Course = 1 unit
- 1-Semester Course = 0.5 unit
- 1-Trimester Course = 0.34 unit

NOTICE: These criteria are for students that enroll in an NCAA Division I college or university on or after August 1, 2016.

REQUIRED COURSES

NCAA Division II

16 Total Core Course Units Required

- 3 units - English
- 2 units - Mathematics
- 2 units - Natural/Physical Science
(plus 1 unit of Science Lab if your high school offers it)
- 3 units - Additional English, Math, or Natural/Physical Science
- 2 units - Social Science
- 4 units - Additional Courses
(from any area above, Foreign Language, Comparative Religion, or Philosophy)

All 16 required core course units must be completed before full-time enrollment at ANY college or university

- 1-Year Course = 1 unit
- 1-Semester Course = 0.5 unit
- 1-Trimester Course = 0.34 unit

REMEMBER – YOU ARE A STUDENT-ATHLETE

**COLLEGE COACHES ARE RECRUITING THE
BRIGHTEST AND BEST**

To learn more about the NCAA Eligibility rules, visit www.NCAA.org or login to your Club Champions League College Center and check out the “**What you need to know**” section!

TELL YOUR STORY

College recruiting is just like getting a job – you need to be talented, qualified and you need to apply. Your player resume is the best way to make sure your story stands out and it will give the college coach a glimpse of you academically and athletically.



TIP: Your resume should be no more than 1 page. Focus on your academic and athletic accomplishments starting in grade 9.

If you have not created your resume, login to your **College Center** and use the **Resume Wizard**. It's simple and easy to create a professional resume and tell your story.

Next use **MATCHFIT®** as illustrated in the image next to the resume. Now you can tell your story to college coaches and when you see the green connection bar "Connect with this college coach" – use this to invite college coaches to watch you play.

REMEMBER – Fill out the **My Profile** area when you first accessed your college center. This gives you the power to instantly, link – share and connect to college and include a personal note including your tournament schedule or other information you want to share.

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Often players will take a “wait & see” approach hoping a college coach will “find” them. Are you kidding? There are nearly 1 million young men/women just like you playing soccer and, you are competing against all of them to garner the attention of a college coach.

If you are serious about playing at the collegiate level, you need to tell your story and show interest. As noted in the Resume area on page 2 of this document, a spot on a roster is just like getting a job – you need to be qualified, apply and show interest.

Check out Brown University and Jackson Goebel, he used the College Center and, now he is making a difference on and off the field at Brown University. How did he do it? He told his story to Coach Patrick Laughlin the Men’s Head Coach!



Jackson applied his academic and athletic accomplishments – sized himself up to the roster and identified his opportunity. When he made personal contact with Coach Laughlin, he talked about his college and career goals, and invited the coach to watch him play. Bottom line, he showed interest in the school and made a campus visit.

Why is this important? Jackson treated his opportunity to get recruited like a “job” – he sent his resume, he invited the coach to watch and evaluate him as a prospect and, applied his academic/athletic accomplishments while telling his story.

Remember – it’s about what you do or don’t do – if you do nothing, expect nothing.

BEING PROACTIVE

The fact is your dreams and goals are unique, and your college search should be the same. Consider your goals and create a plan to help you achieve your desired results.

If you want to be a top prospect to a college coach – you will need to make sure it shows on the field and in the classroom.

THE EVALUATION WHILE ATTENDING TOURNAMENTS

When it comes to athletics, and recruiting – a college coach will evaluate a prospect based on a few factors.

First they will examine their current roster. Based on the roster, they will look for prospects that fill the following void: **a.]** Possess the technical, tactical, physical and psychological aspects **b.]** Prospects' that add value, depth and dimension to the current team **c.]** Prospects' who meet/exceed college admissions – and if the college is an NCAA Division I or II program remember, you must registered with the NCAA Eligibility Center and meet Academic Eligibility Requirements.



Most don't realize soccer is considered a non-revenue sport at the collegiate level. So while you might be the best player in your town – you are competing against roughly 1 million players across the USA and around the world.

Check out the video section in your **College Center**. Learn what a college coaches are looking for in a prospect. The What you need to know section in your college center breaks this down by position so you will know how you will be evaluated by a college coach!

THE RECRUITING PROCESS

Each year college coaches will receive hundreds of inquiries for prospects looking to join a team. The problem is the majority of the prospects have not fully evaluated their options/opportunities.

Some players will focus on schools they have heard about or someone they know has attended. Worse they focus only Division I schools. The fact is there are 5800 two and four year colleges and when it comes to men's and women's soccer there are 2,991 possible combinations.

OPTIONS & OPPORTUNITIES



NCAA		NAIA		USCAA		NCCAA		NJCAA	
Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
D1 = 206	D1 = 333	197	196	68	57	D1 = 49	D1 = 48	D1 = 155	D1 = 137
D2 = 219	D2 = 271					D2 = 27	D2 = 19	D3 = 83	D3 = 76
D3 = 416	D3 = 440								

DID YOU KNOW ..



THE COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY CAN:
 elect to eliminate the program
 reduce the number of scholarship
 change the division of play

Consider ALL Options & Opportunities

COLLEGE RECRUITING **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW**

CREATING A ROAD MAP

Start by considering Geographic Location Pick at least 8 states you can see yourself living in for 4 to 5 years.



Consider climate – distance from home and if you would prefer an Urban or Rural setting.

Be realistic and keep your options & opportunity open.

CONSIDER YOUR CAREER –After your playing days have come and gone your education will last a lifetime.



Did you know there are more professional people in the world than – professional athlete? Long after your playing days have come and gone due to old age – injury or retirement –your education will last a lifetime.

THE RIGHT FIT –College coaches are looking for players that excel on and off the field.



Beauty is in the “eye” of the beholder. So it’s important you check out the college roster and find out if you would be a good fit.

TIP: If everyone is 5’10 and you are 5’4 size matters to the coach. If you don’t have size talk about your incredible mental and physical speed

GETTING THE ATTENTION YOU DESERVE AT TOURNAMENTS & SHOWCASE EVENTS



Attending showcase and tournaments like Club Champions League are a great way to get noticed. The tick is standing out from the thousands of other players attending.

If you have created a list of colleges that fit your academic, athletic and geographic goals, then you are on the right track. You should have at least 20 colleges on your list and, with your resume created it’s time to tell your story.

Using this example -- if you are attending the Club Champions League Showcase or College ID Camp, you should invite college coaches to come watch you. Why not make it easy for a college coach to find you and, this is a perfect opportunity to get recruited.

Prior to attending a showcase or tournament, check out the list of coaches attending and, do yourself a favor – use **MATCHFIT®** in your members only college center and invite college coaches that interest you. The more you tell your story the more likely you are to be identified and, recruited.

TIP: While organizations can host great events, if the players are not doing their part by telling a college coach where they are playing – it’s hard for them to recruit you!

REMEMBER YOU MUST SHOW INTEREST!

FOLLOW UP



When you connect to the right college, you will excel academically, graduate with a meaningful degree and, the perfect college offers a collegiate soccer program where you can add value, depth and dimension.

To learn more, visit **Club Champions League College** and, **access your clubs college center**.

Key Member Benefits Include

- **MATCHFIT® NETWORK** – college coaches recruiting for NCAA, NAIA, USCAA, NCCAA and NJCAA
- **College Profiler™ Network** – 5800 two and four year universities in the USA & Canada
- **My Profile College Connector** – instantly link with compatible college coaches
- **Custom Searches** = more options and opportunities to find the right fit
- **NCAA/NAIA Eligibility Calculator** –to ensure student-athletes are on track
- **College Core Course Calculator** – provides students the confidence to get accepted
- **Custom Resume & Cover Letter** – to help student-athletes get the attention they deserve
- **Video Library** – Bring the player & parent closer to the experience with guidance and insight
- **What You Need To Know** – From Admissions to athletics in college to what a coach looks for in a prospect, now players and parents go from the unknown to becoming an insider.
- **Free Practice PSAT** – SAT & ACT test instantly saves families hundreds of dollars
- **Just Ask!** Help Desk providing your families **Free** mentor support
- **Exclusive Quarterly College Tips** that are age/grades specific for student-athletes sent via email

Club Champions League is committed to helping its members provide a proven approach to ensure players are successful on and, off the field.