

The Game Plan

CHECKLIST

- Academic
- Athletic

JUNIOR YEAR

- Continue to take a strong academic course load.
- Make certain you are taking the required core academic courses.
- Register for and take the required standardized tests (i.e. SAT, ACT) during your spring semester.
- Designate the NCAA to receive SAT & ACT scores when registering for test. NCAA- Code is #9999 on SAT & ACT registration form. You can also send your test score to NAIA –Code is 9876.
- Attend college nights and fairs and read literature sent to you by schools.
- Begin to visit college campuses.
- Develop a list of prospective schools with the help of counselors and coaches. Consideration should be given to academic achievement and athletic ability.
- Request college applications as early as possible, preferably the summer after your junior year.
- Develop an athletic resume and continue to update records and lists of athletic and extracurricular activities.
- Familiarize yourself with the rules and regulations governing recruiting, eligibility and financial aid.
- Meet with your coach for a thorough evaluation of your athletic ability and, hopefully, you will receive a recommendation for an appropriate level of competition. **Be realistic.**
- Also, discuss with your coach his/her involvement in your recruitment process. Ask him/her to be proactive on your behalf by responding to questionnaires sent by recruiting coaches.
- Send a letter of introduction and phone call along with your athletic resume; to coaches of schools you are interested in attending.
- Continue to attend sports camps.
- Keep a file on each college/university that shows an interest in you.

- Continue to videotape games. Send video (or preferably DVD) to prospective coaches at the end of the junior year. For spring sports, consider doing this earlier!
- View college games to assess their level of play and compare it to your level.

Students and parents must take the initiative and work on their own behalf. Please do not sit back and wait for someone to do it for you. Staying on top of all the information throughout the high school years makes it easier when the actual time comes to applying for college.

