

HOW TO GET RECRUITED

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THE ROAD TO GREATNESS STARTS WITH A
RECRUITMENT GUIDE

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INTRODUCTION





Ask a hundred people what word comes to their mind when they think about basketball, and there is a fairly good chance that half of them will say “Tall”. Perhaps more than any other sport, basketball is associated with body shape that can put off a lot of young players. This myth makes people think that they can’t ever have a shot at being a pro basketball player because they’ll never grow to six feet tall. While it is true that basketball is dominated by taller men/women, it just isn’t the case that you need to be a six or seven-foot giant. It may help in terms of being able to dunk the ball, but not everyone on court is going to do that anyway.





REAL TALK





- Grit Sports Academy, LLC understands that the process of getting recruited, finding a prep school, or locating a basketball program at an Elementary/Middle/High school or College can be a strenuous task for a basketball player regardless of the age or skill set of the basketball player.
- This booklet is not like most of the other e-books and guides; we will be getting straight down to the point in a step-by-step method to get you started on your journey. Through this guide, we intend to take the guesswork out of the process of getting recruited for basketball players.
- Everyone Says My Coach will do it. **No!** Parents and the Basketball Players must do the work in order to receive the desired outcome.





TRY IT ON AGAIN





You Must Make a Resume about yourself:

We call it **The Imprinting of Who You Are**

Slide1: Your Introduction

You need to include your age, family information, current stats and one sentence to show your passion for basketball.

Note: Do not add too many words but enough to pull in a coach's interest to read on.

Slide2: Your Journey

Include all the information of teams you have played for.

Slide3: Community Involvement

All basketball players should have some experience of community service; this can be any volunteer work at your school or in your local neighborhood.

Slide4: References

Please provide complete name, email address and phone number of your referee, and always inform your references that you are listing them as a reference.

Slide5: Thank You

Show gratitude to the school or organization you are trying to play for. This can be done in a PowerPoint layout up to 6 slides (with cover), Always add pictures to the slides, be sure your full body is seen with playing jersey, etc.

If you don't get recruited by one school, TRY IT ON AGAIN with another school!





CATCH THIS





**Play the Game Because you Love IT!! Get The Scholarship!
Get The Contract! Get what you want!!!**

Know The Prep Basketball Language

Definitions

- **Prep Basketball Programs:** Are design for high school and Post Grad Basketball Players to play a high-level basketball. Post Grad AKA 5th Year (Gap Year) Player; Post Grad Players are players that graduate High School and use 1 more year to play Elite Prep Basketball. **This keeps college eligibility in track.**
- You will pay to attend a prep basketball program.
- You will travel a lot during a prep basketball Program.
- Scholarships are available for these programs if you have talent and ability.
- If the Program is any good, you will train hard, and it should be a professional Basketball level training otherwise you should **move on.**

All Prep Basketball Programs are not created equal, be sure to check the Program out beforehand. Remember the Program needs you as much as you need them.

Everyone Will Tell You have 0.3% change of a Pro Career **SO!!!!!!.**





CONTACT CARD





Contact Cards are Different Than resumes

- Players Contact Cards you should be able to hand these out at tryouts/games or send them digitally.
- Contact Cards should have a picture of yourself, contact information, Basketball STATS, what you are known for in Basketball, A **Quote** from a coach about your basketball ability. Always be sure the card is printed on a heavy stock paper.
- Always remember everything you give out must be in a format that supports your brand no matter if you are a middle/elementary school player, high school, college, or professional player.
- **Ally's Basketball Jewel Message:** If you can get a Coach to comment on your Contact Cards, Letters, social media, ETC. It speaks volumes to who you are as a person and a player to teams and coaches you seek to play for.





CONTACT CARD EXAMPLE





PROFESSIONAL PLAYER
THOMAS GILMORE

**PENN STATE
UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC
CONFERENCE 10TH LEADING
SCORER**

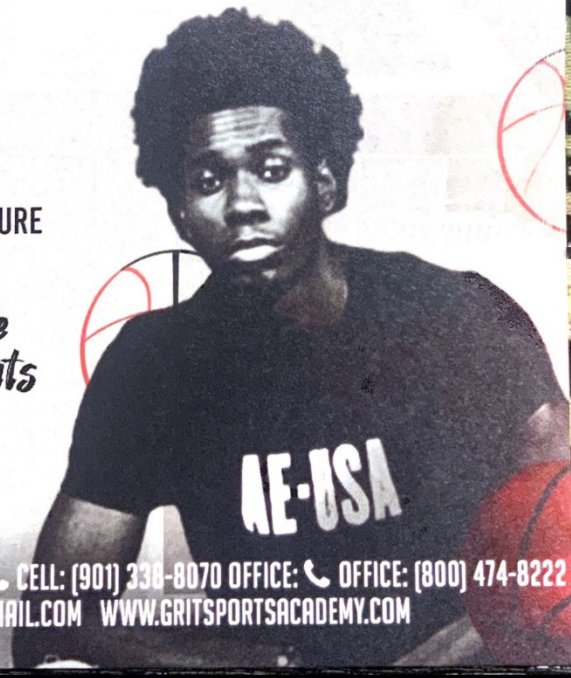
2018 TRIPLE DOUBLE PENN STATE UNIVERSITY
2018/2019 RECEIVED DUAL THREAT AWARD
PENN STATE UNIVERSITY



- ✓ WINGSPAN: 77 ½
- ✓ HEIGHT: 6'5" - SHOES 6'6"
- ✓ MAX VERTICAL LEAP 10'6"

- ✓ HIGH LEVEL BALL PLAYER
- ✓ TOUGH DEFENDER
- ✓ STRONG VERTICAL LEAP
- ✓ SCORE AT WILL
- ✓ ABLE TO PLAY UNDER PRESSURE

*"Thomas is an athlete
that every coach wants
to coach" - TEAM BUILDER*



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MARKETING VIDEOS





Grit leads to greatness!

Know Your Audience: When you market to a Coach, school or private program they will need a video of you.

You can use a video from a school game, playing in a game at a local park, a training session., Etc. Your videos can be Highlights but most importantly include full game videos. **A coach cannot judge your skills off a Highlight video!**

Ally's 3 Point Shot Message! When you send videos watch your music, send a coach a video with music muted. Also be sure your jersey number is identified for the coach and your contact information is listed. You can put on your social media videos with your music.

Remember Be Your Own Brand Representative!!!





RECRUITMENT STEPS





NCAA

[NCAA.org](https://www.ncaa.org)

Student Eligibility Center, you must make an account. This account is needed to play at NCAA basketball at NCAA schools and if you want a scholarship Coaches will need this for **Recruitment!**

There is a Cost to the NCAA Id number, you can request a fee waiver at your **High School Guidance Office.**

NAIA

[Playnaia.Org](https://www.playnaia.org)

Student Eligibility Center and you must make an account. This account is needed to play basketball at NAIA schools and most of all if you want a scholarship the school will need your ID number.

There is a cost to the NAIA ID number, you can request a fee waiver at your **High School Guidance Office.**

COMMON BLACK COLLEGE APPLICATION

[Commonblackcollegeapp.Com](https://www.commonblackcollegeapp.com)

You can apply to 65 HBCU's at one time.

You will be charged an application fee.

This is a one stop shop to some of the most highly sort after programs.





SUGGESTIONS





SCHOLARSHIP SITES

This is a site Grit Sports Academy uses for its students.

[Myscholly.Com](https://myscholly.com)

Scholarship made Easy, no more searching around.

INFORMATION

Please be sure to gather all your information

NCAA or NAIA cannot process your file without a complete file with all High Schools/Teams you have attended.

When in doubt ask questions?

POST-GRAD

Post Grad is a Gap year AKA a 5th Year

If you are thinking about choosing a Prep Basketball Program, please contact us.

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FINAL THOUGHTS





STOP MAKING THIS HARD!

Grits Sports Academy, LLC will continue to educate, dominate, and push basketball players to be their best, no matter their zip codes, country origin, if they live in the hood or the penthouse.

ALLY's Clutch Shot Message: Having the skills to play is not enough; you are a brand competing against 1000's of players. What's going to separate you from the rest; being able to provide correct information about yourself, YouTube, Instagram, Facebook, all good, but you still need direct contact with a coach, and he/she needs to know who you are!

Contact us at any time: www.gritsportsacademy.com

Look to purchase one of our lists of Coaches from JUCO (Junior Colleges), Division One, Division Two, Division Three College Coaches Contact Information. We have done the work for you.

It is not enough to put in a **Recruit Me Form** for a University or College, you must get direct contact.

