Sophomore

# **Your Spring Recruiting Checklist**

Follow these steps to ensure you find the best athletic, academic, social and financial college fit.

# March

### Register for an online recruiting class.

Whether you have specific questions about the recruiting process, need help making quality connections with college coaches or want to explore the benefits of an NCSA membership, there's a recruiting class that's right for you.

### Learn how to communicate with coaches.

Depending on your sport, <u>most D1 and D2 college coaches</u> will be able to contact recruits beginning June 15 or September 1 this year. Make sure you know <u>how to communicate effectively</u> to maximize your recruiting opportunities.

### Clean up your social media accounts.

Social media is a great way to connect with college coaches and learn more about athletic programs you're interested in. Check out our guide on how to use social media for recruiting.



### Start researching summer camps and recruiting events.

Once you figure out what type of recruiting event is right for you, make a list of camps you're interested in attending. Don't forget to reach out to college coaches once you register for their events!

### Learn from our Recruiting Coaches.

NCSA's team of recruiting experts answer thousands of questions a year to help families get the most of their college recruiting journey. <u>Check out the most common questions</u> (and answers!) that our Recruiting Coaches receive throughout the year.

### Continue adding colleges to your NCSA Favorites.

Keep track of schools you're interested in—remember to cast a wide net first and narrow down your options as your preferences and interests change. Don't forget to check out the best schools for student athletes.



### Start getting ready for June 15.

Remember, starting June 15 after sophomore year, most D1 college coaches—excluding women's basketball, football, lacrosse, softball and baseball—will be able to communicate freely with recruits via email, DMs, texts and phone calls (and vice versa).

## Create your highlight or skills video.

<u>Highlight and skills videos</u> play a crucial role in the recruiting process, especially because not all coaches will get a chance to evaluate you in person. <u>Follow these tips for a better skills video.</u>

### Post your summer schedule.

Not only does it help keep you organized if you're participating in multiple camps or showcases, but it also makes it easier for college coaches to add you to their lists of potential recruits to evaluate if they attend.

