

CURRENT 2025 NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTRE REQUIREMENTS AND PROCESS

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For players and parents wanting information on the process for NCAA Division 1 eligibility:

In order for a player to be eligible to play in NCAA Division 1 athletics they need to

- Have graduated from high school on time within 4 yrs of starting grade 9.
- CURRENTLY ONLY REQUIRED BY IVY SCHOOLS - Have an SAT or ACT score. (you register for the SAT at www.collegeboard.com (Eliminated in Feb 2023 but IVY Schools have reinstated it)
- Register with the NCAA Eligibility Centre. (see below)
- Meet the academic standards laid out by the Eligibility Centre. (16 core course credits in grades 9-12, with a minimum GPA of 2.3 (and for IVY schools have an SAT or ACT score that matches their high school GPA on a sliding scale)
- Meet the academic admission requirements of the college or university they chose to attend.
- Maintain academic and Athletic eligibility at the school they attend each year.

The NCAA Eligibility Centre is the gatekeeper for all NCAA athletics. It is the step before a player can apply for admission to an NCAA school. The NCAA Eligibility Centre was formally the NCAA Clearinghouse. The website is www.eligibilitycentre.org . Athletes must be registered through the Centre before an NCAA Division 1 school can officially recruit them and bring them in for a visit. An athlete must ultimately be cleared or approved before they can be admitted to the school to compete in athletics. The process for going through the Eligibility Centre is

1. Set up a registration on the website for the athlete – the athlete needs to create a username and password and pay the fee online (write your ID and password down somewhere.)
2. Request to have official transcripts sent by your grade 9-12 jurisdiction, school or schools, directly to the Eligibility Centre at NCAA Eligibility Center P.O. Box 7110 Indianapolis, Indiana 46206
3. SAT/ACT NEEDED ONLY BY IVY SCHOOLS - Go online to www.collegeboard.com , enter your name and College Board password and request to have SAT scores sent directly to the Eligibility Centre (go to section that asks what schools do you want these sent to and you will find the Eligibility Centre listed)
4. Complete the Amateurism questionnaire online at www.eligibilitycentre.org
5. Periodically check the site to see where your file is at in the process. It can take some time to be cleared and this will not happen until all the steps are completed and approved and likely not before a school requests final approval.
6. Schools recruiting a player will need to know the Eligibility Centre number that an athlete is assigned.

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