

# VICTORIA

Independent School District

## **NCAA INFORMATIONAL POWERPOINT**

# NCAA Division I Eligibility Academic Requirements

For college-bound student-athletes enrolling full time at an NCAA Division I college or university on or after August 1, 2016, there are three possible academic outcomes:

1. Full qualifier = competition, athletics aid (scholarship), and practice the first year.
2. Academic redshirt = athletics aid the first year, practice in first regular academic term (semester or quarter).
3. Nonqualifier = no athletics aid, practice or competition the first year.

# NCAA Division I Full Qualifier: Requirements for Athletics Aid, Practice and Competition

Students will need to meet the following requirements to receive **athletics aid**, **practice** and **compete** their first year:

- ▶ 16 core courses in the following areas:
  - 4 years English;
  - 3 years math at Algebra I level or higher;
  - 2 years natural or physical science (one lab if offered at any high school attended);
  - 1 year additional English, math or natural/physical science;
  - 2 years social science; and
  - 4 years additional from areas above or foreign language, philosophy or comparative religion.
  
- ▶ Minimum required GPA:
  - Minimum GPA of **2.300** required for competition in those 16 core courses.
  
- ▶ Graduate from high school.



# NCAA Division I Full Qualifier:

## Requirements for Athletics Aid, Practice and Competition

- ▶ Core-course progression.
  - Must complete **10** core courses before seventh semester of high school (e.g., senior year).
  - Of the **10** core courses completed, **seven** must be in the area of **English, math, or science**.
  - These 10 core courses become “locked in” for the purpose of core-course GPA calculation.
    - A repeat of one of the “locked in” courses will not be used if taken after the seventh semester begins.

# Classes that are NCAA core courses

English: English 1-4, American Literature, creative writing

Math: Algebra 1-3, Geometry, statistics

Natural or Physical Science: biology, chemistry, physics

Social science: American History, civics, government

Additional: comparative religion, Spanish 1-4

# Classes that are not NCAA core courses

- Classes in non-core areas, fine arts or vocations such as driver education, typing, art, music, physical education or welding.
- Personal skill classes such as personal finance or consumer education.
- Classes taught below grade level, at a slower pace or with less rigor or depth. These classes are often titled basic, essential, fundamental or foundational.
- Classes that are not academic in nature such as film appreciation, video editing or greenhouse management.

# Division I Sliding Scale Changes

## Old

## New

Core GPA	SAT (critical reading/ math only)	ACT Sum		Core GPA	SAT (critical reading/ math only)	ACT Sum
2.725	730	59		2.725	730	60
2.700	730	60		2.700	740	61
2.675	740-750	61		2.675	750	61
2.450	840-850	70		2.450	840	70
2.425	860	70		2.425	850	70
2.150	960	80		2.150	960	81
2.125	960	81		2.125	970	82
2.100	970	82		2.100	980	83
2.075	980	83		2.075	990	84
2.050	990	84		2.050	1000	85
2.025	1000	85		2.025	1010	86
2.000	1010	86		2.000	1020	86

**The full sliding scale can be found at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) under Resources.**

# Academic Redshirt:

## Requirements for Scholarship and Practice.

- ▶ 16 core courses in the following areas:
  - 4 years English,
  - 3 years math at Algebra I level or higher,
  - 2 years natural or physical science (one lab if offered by any school attended);
  - 1 year additional English, math or natural/physical science;
  - 2 years social science; and
  - 4 years additional from areas above or foreign language, philosophy or comparative religion.
  
- ▶ Minimum required GPA.
  - Minimum GPA of **2.000-2.299** in 16 core courses.
  
- ▶ Sliding scale.
  - Minimum ACT sum or SAT score (critical reading/math only) that matches the 16 core-course GPA.





# Academic Redshirt

Student-athletes who fail to meet the required 10 core courses prior to the start of the seventh semester (seven of which must be in English, math, or natural or physical science), will be allowed to retake core courses in the seventh or eighth semester, which will be used in their academic certification for the purpose of meeting the academic redshirt requirements.



# Division I Sliding Scale

(Abbreviated)

Core GPA	SAT (critical reading/ math only)	ACT Sum		Core GPA	SAT (critical reading/ math only)	ACT Sum
3.550 & above	400	37		2.700	740	61
3.500	420	39		2.600	780	64
3.400	460	42		2.500	820	68
3.300	500	44		2.400	860	71
3.200	540	47		2.300	900	75
3.100	580	49		<b>2.299</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>76</b>
3.000	620	52		<b>2.200</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>79</b>
2.900	660	54		<b>2.100</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>83</b>
2.800	700	57		<b>2.000</b>	<b>1020</b>	<b>86</b>

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# How is the NCAA Core GPA Calculated?

The NCAA Eligibility Center calculates the GPA on a 4.000 scale. (A=4; B=3; C=2; D=1)  
To determine points earned for each course, multiply the numeric grade value (4, 3, 2 or 1) by the amount of credit earned. A semester is awarded .5 unit of credit and a trimester is awarded .34 unit of credit.

- The NCAA Eligibility Center does not use plus or minus grades when calculating core-course GPA. For example, grades of B+, B and B- will all be worth 3 quality points each.
- If your high school uses a numeric scale, the high school needs to provide a conversion to a letter grade and communicate that to the NCAA Eligibility Center.

## **Examples of total quality point calculation:**

- An A grade (4 points) for a trimester course (0.34 units):  $4 \text{ points} \times 0.34 \text{ units} = 1.36 \text{ total quality points}$ .
- An A grade (4 points) for a semester course (0.50 units):  $4 \text{ points} \times 0.50 \text{ units} = 2.00 \text{ total quality points}$ .
- An A grade (4 points) for a full-year course (1.00 units):  $4 \text{ points} \times 1.00 \text{ units} = 4.00 \text{ quality points}$ .

## **Calculate the Overall Grade-Point Average:**

To calculate the estimated core-course grade-point average, divide the total number of points for all core courses by the total number of core-course units completed.

# Academic Redshirt:

## Requirements for Scholarship and Practice

If a college-bound student-athlete meets these requirements, he/she can receive an **athletics scholarship** during his/her first year at an NCAA Division I college or university.

After the first term is complete, the student-athlete must be academically successful (successfully completing nine semester hours or eight quarter hours in each applicable term) at his/her college or university to continue to practice for the remainder of the year.



# What If A Student Does Not Meet Either Set of Requirements?

If a college-bound student-athlete does not meet either set of requirements, he/she is a **nonqualifier**.

## A **nonqualifier**:

- ▶ Cannot receive athletics aid during the first year at an NCAA Division I college or university.
- ▶ Cannot practice or compete during the first year at a Division I college or university.



# Division II Academic Requirements

## Core-Course Requirement

- 3 years of English
- 2 years of math (Algebra I or higher)
- 2 years of natural or physical science (including one year of lab science if offered)
- 2 years of social science
- 3 additional years of English, math or natural or physical science
- 4 additional years of English, math, natural or physical science, social science, foreign language, comparative religion or philosophy

# Full Qualifier

- Complete 16 core courses.
- Earn a core-course GPA of at least 2.200.
- Earn the ACT/SAT score matching your core-course GPA on the Division II sliding scale.
- Graduate high school.

**The D II sliding scale** can be found at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)  
under Resources.

# Partial Qualifier

- Complete 16 core courses.
- Earn a core-course GPA of at least 2.000.
- Earn the ACT/SAT score matching your core-course GPA on the Division II sliding scale.
- Graduate high school.

**The D II sliding scale** can be found at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)  
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# NAIA Academic Requirements

**Website- [playnaia.org](http://playnaia.org)**

- **Score 16 ACT or 860 SAT (exclude essay)**
- **Overall high school GPA 2.00**
- **Top ½ of class**

**Need to accomplish 2 out of 3**

# 2018 / 2019 SAT & ACT Test Dates

## SAT Test Dates:

**August 25, 2018** – Register by July 25, 2018

**October 6, 2018** – Register by September 6, 2018

**November 3, 2018** – Register by October 3, 2018

**December 1, 2018** – Register by November 1, 2018

**March 8, 2019** – Register by February 8, 2019

**May 4, 2019** – Register by April 4, 2019

**June 1, 2019** – Register by May 1, 2019

## ACT Test Dates:

**September 8, 2018** – Register by August 5, 2018

**October 27, 2018** – September 21, 2018

**December 8, 2018** – November 2, 2018

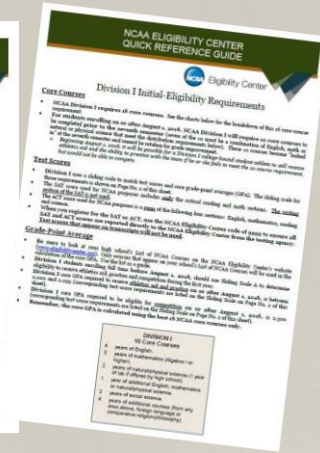
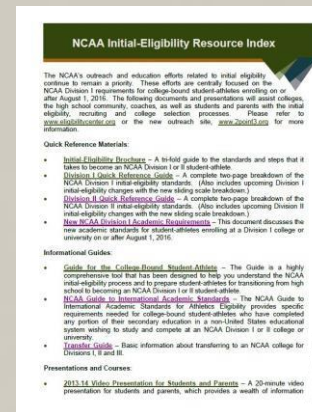
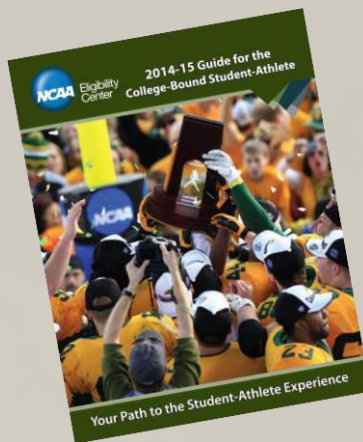
**February 9, 2019** – January 11, 2019

**April 13, 2019** – March 8, 2019

**June 8, 2019** – May 3, 2019

# Resources

- ▶ Resources tab on the NCAA Eligibility Center website ([www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)).
- ▶ Initial-Eligibility Resource Index.
- ▶ Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete.
- ▶ Quick Reference Guide.
- ▶ Initial Eligibility Brochure.





**What Does All This Mean?**

# Start Preparing Realistically

- ✓ First and Foremost a “Student-Athlete” must begin thinking about tomorrow
- ✓ Keep records of Academic Info Current
- ✓ Be thinking what and where is a place you are interested in.

# Work, Work, Work....

- ✓ Academically...What you do today effects what you can do tomorrow.
- ✓ Athletically.. Strength, there is no substitute for it, and no excuse for the lack of it. (You determine your opportunity.)
- ✓ Socially....Be Involved. Multitask.

# Recruiting Fact

**Total, there are around 80,000 scholarships granted each year in men's and women's sports at the NCAA Division I and II level.**

# Be Realistic

- ✓ 51, 000 Football players in Texas....400 received Division I scholarships.
- ✓ Everyone will not get a scholarship.
- ✓ Not to discourage, but to be honest. We want you to enjoy this time and learn lessons that will apply to the rest of your life.
- ✓ Control What you can Control
  - ✓ Academics
  - ✓ Strength Training
  - ✓ ATTITUDE
  - ✓ Being The Best Person You Can Be.



# Number of Scholarships Men's Sports Division I

- ✓ **Football - 85**
- ✓ **Basketball - 13**
- ✓ **Baseball – 11.7**
- ✓ **Cross Country/ Track and Field - 12.6**
- ✓ **Golf – 4.5**
- ✓ **Soccer – 9.9**
- ✓ **Swimming – 9.9**
- ✓ **Tennis – 4.5**
- ✓ **Wrestling – 9.9**

# Number of Scholarships

## Women's Sports Division I

- ✓ **Basketball - 13**
- ✓ **Cross Country/Track and Field - 18**
- ✓ **Golf - 6**
- ✓ **Soccer - 12**
- ✓ **Softball - 12**
- ✓ **Swimming - 14**
- ✓ **Tennis - 8**
- ✓ **Volleyball - 12**

# FAFSA

FAFSA stands for Free Application for Student Aid. Anyone who is planning on attending college is to fill out a form. Forms are available in the counselor's office or on the internet at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). This is very important, because federal student aid is given out on a first come-first served basis.

# What Do The Coaches Do For You?

- ✓ We fill out all questionnaires that come from colleges and recruiting services
- ✓ We provide SAT, ACT, and financial aid information and deadlines
- ✓ We promote you
- ✓ We push you to become the best person, student, and athlete you can be

# What Can You Do To Help Yourself?

- ✓ Be organized and have a plan. Research colleges that interests you.
- ✓ Make your grades!
- ✓ Do as good as you possibly can in all your classes.
- ✓ Have a great off-season.
- ✓ Improve as much as possible on all your testing areas
- ✓ Play great next year and help us have a great season! The further we go in the play-offs, the more exposure you will get.
- ✓ Sign up to take the Tests(SAT/ACT).
- ✓ Let us know when you get your scores in.
- ✓ Be realistic in your expectations.
- ✓ Keep the TEAM first and remember that the more success we have as a Team, the more rewards there are for everyone.
- ✓ Don't get caught up with things you cannot control.
- ✓ Make sure you register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at the end of your Sophomore year.

# In Conclusion

- ✓ Know we are working for your student/athletes.
- ✓ Recruiters - Know we will be honest with all recruiters about our athletes.
- ✓ Letters - Mean they are tracking you and evaluating you.
- ✓ Camps - Are for evaluation not to teach you how to play the game. Chance to showcase yourself.
- ✓ Test Scores - SAT or ACT as a Junior.
- ✓ Scholarships – We don't give out scholarships but, we will do everything possible to help you.

# HELPFUL WEBSITES

- ✓ Go to [THSCA.com](http://THSCA.com); find Resources; then click on Recruiting Webinar. Great information and it's totally free.
- ✓ Go to [corecoursegpa.com](http://corecoursegpa.com); big help for students increasing their grades.

# Resources

## NCAA Initial Eligibility Online Course

The screenshot displays the 'Coaching Education' interface for the NCAA Eligibility Center. The top navigation bar includes the NCAA Eligibility Center logo, the title 'Coaching Education', and user information 'Welcome Demo Account | HELP'. A left-hand menu lists the course units: Unit 1: Overview, Welcome, Introduction, NCAA Divisions, NCAA Eligibility Center, Unit 2: Involvement, Unit 3: Amateurism, Unit 4: Student Responsibilities, Unit 5: Recap and Close, and Course Evaluation. The main content area features a video player with a woman speaking, overlaid with the NCAA Eligibility Center logo and the NFHS logo. The video player controls at the bottom include 'TRANSCRIPT' and 'RESOURCES' buttons.

[www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com)