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## **YOUR CHECKLIST**

If you want to play sports at a Division I or II school, register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org).

### **FRESHMEN**

- Ask your counselor for a list of your high school's NCAA core courses and make sure you take them.
- Study hard and earn good grades.

### **SOPHOMORES**

- Register at the beginning of the year at [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org).
- Make sure you take core courses on your high school's List of NCAA Courses.

### **JUNIORS**

- Check with your counselor to make sure you are on track to graduate on time.
- Take the ACT or SAT and submit your scores to the NCAA using code 9999.
- At the end of the year, ask your counselor to send your official transcript to the Eligibility Center.

### **SENIORS**

- Take the ACT or SAT again, if necessary.
- Request amateurism certification after April 1.
- After you graduate, ask your counselor to submit your final official transcript with proof of graduation to the Eligibility Center.

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**WANT  
TO PLAY  
COLLEGE  
SPORTS?**



## ELIGIBILITYCENTER.ORG

If you want to play NCAA sports at an NCAA Division I or II school, you need to register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org). The Eligibility Center works with you and your high school to certify your initial eligibility.

## CORE COURSES

Not all high school classes are NCAA core courses. A core course prepares you for a four-year college and is taught at or above your high school's regular academic level. Visit [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org) for a full list of your high school's core courses.

## GRADE-POINT AVERAGE

Only classes on your high school's List of NCAA Courses will be used for your core-course GPA.

## TEST SCORES

Division I schools match test scores and core-course GPA on a sliding scale. After August 1, 2018, Division II schools will also use a sliding scale. Find the sliding scales at [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org).

An SAT combined score is calculated by adding your reading and math scores. An ACT sum score is calculated by adding English, math, reading and science scores. You may take the SAT or ACT as many times as you like before you enroll full time in college. If you take either test more than once, the best sub score from each section is used for initial-eligibility purposes.

When you register for the SAT or ACT, use the NCAA Eligibility Center code of 9999 so your scores are sent directly from the testing agency. Test scores on transcripts will not be used in your academic certification.

## DIVISION I GUIDELINES

### Before August 1, 2016

- Graduate high school.
- Complete 16 high school core courses in four academic years.
- Earn at least a 2.000 GPA in your high school core courses.
- Earn the SAT or ACT score that matches your core-course GPA (minimum 2.000) on the Division I sliding scale.

### After August 1, 2016

- Graduate high school.
- Complete 16 high school core courses in four academic years. Ten core courses, with at least seven in English, math or science, must be completed before you start your seventh semester.
- Earn at least a 2.300 GPA in your core courses.
- Earn the SAT or ACT score that matches your core-course GPA (minimum 2.300) on the Division I sliding scale.

### Core Courses

To play sports at a Division I school, you must complete these core courses:

- 4 years of English;
- 3 years of math (Algebra 1 or higher);
- 2 years of natural or physical science (including one year of lab science if your high school offers it);
- 1 additional year of English, math or natural or physical science;
- 2 years of social science; and
- 4 additional years of English, math, natural or physical science, social science, foreign language, comparative religion or philosophy.

## DIVISION II GUIDELINES

### Before August 1, 2018

- Graduate high school.
- Complete 16 high school core courses.
- Earn at least a 2.000 GPA in your high school core courses.
- Earn a combined SAT score of 820 or an ACT sum score of 68.

### After August 1, 2018

- Graduate high school.
- Complete 16 high school core courses.
- Earn at least a 2.200 GPA in your core courses.
- Earn the SAT or ACT score that matches your core-course GPA (minimum 2.200) on the Division II sliding scale.

### Core Courses

To play sports at a Division II school, you must complete these core courses:

- 3 years of English;
- 2 years of math (Algebra 1 or higher);
- 2 years of natural or physical science (including one year of lab science if your high school offers it);
- 3 additional years of English, math or natural or physical science;
- 2 years of social science; and
- 4 additional years of English, math, natural or physical science, social science, foreign language, comparative religion or philosophy.