



## What does my high school timeline look like?

To help navigate the NCAA eligibility process, use this year-by-year breakdown to keep in mind what you should be thinking about in high school to get ready to play college sports.

### Grade 9: Plan

- Take the right courses and earn the best grades you can.
- Ask your counselor for a list of your high school's NCAA approved core courses to make sure you take the right classes.
- Find your high school's list of NCAA core courses [online](#).

### Grade 10: Register

- Register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org).
- If you fall behind, ask your counselor for help with finding approved courses or programs you can take.

### Grade 11: Study

- Check with your counselor to make sure you are on track to graduate on time and complete the required number of NCAA approved courses.
- Take the ACT or SAT and submit your scores to the NCAA by using code **9999**.
- Research what schools you want to apply for that are the best fit for your academic and athletic goals.
- At the end of the year, ask your counselor to upload your official six-semester transcript.

### Grade 12: Graduate

- Complete your final NCAA core courses as you prepare for graduation
- Take the ACT or SAT again, if necessary, and make sure we get your scores by using code **9999**.
- Request your final amateurism certification beginning **April 1** (fall enrollees) or **October 1** (winter/spring enrollees).
- After you graduate, ask your counselor to upload your final official transcript with proof of graduation.
- Only students on an NCAA Division I or II school's certification request list will receive a certification.