Eligible Sports

- Basketball
- Baseball
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Rowing
- Soccer
- Softball
- Tennis
- Volleyball
- Wrestling

Character Matters!

College athletic programs are multi-million dollar endeavors. Coaches look at each student as a potential investment into their program, so they pay close attention to high school student behavior as well as grades and test scores. They can’t afford to take risks on students who may make poor choices and end up leaving their program. Coaches don’t just want student-athletes who stay out of trouble, they want leaders who will make those around them better. They will ask your teachers and high school coaches about your behavior and check your social media accounts. What are you doing to build the sort of character traits that will make you stand out to a coach?

Thinking of Going Pro?

There are more than 480,000 NCAA student-athletes, and fewer than 2% will go pro in their sport.

For the rest, the experiences of college athletics and the life lessons they learn along the way will help them as they pursue careers in business, education, athletics administration, communications, law, medicine, and many other fields. Education is a vital part of the college athletics experience, and student-athletes treat it that way.

Overall, student-athletes graduate at higher rates than their peers in the student body, and those rates rise each year.

2% OF HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES WILL BECOME PROFESSIONALS IN THEIR SPORT

You will need these when you register with the NCAA clearinghouse:

- **CEEB Code**: 391315
- **NCAA Code**: 851331

Information for College-Bound Athletes

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Erie, PA 16508
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Academic Eligibility

Core Courses
Students are required to earn credits in the following areas:

- **English**: 4 credits
- **Science**\(^*\): 4 credits
- **Mathematics**: 4 credits
- **Social Sciences**\(^**\): 4 credits

\(^*\)2 science classes must be lab-based
\(^**\)Up to 2 years of social science may include foreign language

Visit the [www.eriesd.org/eriehigh](http://www.eriesd.org/eriehigh) for a full listing of eligible core classes.

GPA/Test Scores
Student athletes must meet or exceed the GPA and test score minimum requirements.

**Sample**

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You can find full sliding scales for Division I and II sports at [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org).

Students must earn at least a 2.2 in core courses (listed above). Grades and test scores can expand or limit scholarship offers.

Eligibility Clearinghouse
Initial-eligibility standards help ensure you are prepared to succeed in the first year of college. The eligibility process also protects the fairness and integrity of college sports by ensuring student-athletes are amateurs. An amateur, as defined by the NCAA, is someone who has not profited above his/her actual and necessary expenses or gained a competitive advantage in his/her sport.

**9th Grade:**
- Start planning now: take the right classes (required core courses) and earn the best grades possible.
- Ask your counselor for a list of your high school’s NCAA-approved core courses to make sure you take the right classes.
- Start with good study habits and attend study tables with your team to set yourself up for success.

**10th Grade:**
- If you fall behind, ask your counselor for help with finding approved courses you can take.

**11th Grade:**
- Check with your counselor to make sure you are on track to complete the required number of NCAA-approved courses.

**12th Grade:**
- Take the ACT or SAT and submit your scores to the NCAA Eligibility Center using code 9999.
- Make sure you are on track to graduate on time with your class.
- Register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org).

- Ask your counselor to upload your official transcript to the NCAA Eligibility Center.
- Complete your final NCAA core courses as you prepare for graduation.
- Take the ACT or SAT again if necessary and submit your scores to the NCAA Eligibility Center using code 9999.
- Request your final amateurism certification beginning April 1 in your NCAA Eligibility Center account.
- Request a final high school transcript from your counselor.
- Only students on an NCAA Division I or II school’s certification request list will receive a certification.
- Watch for application and scholarship deadlines.