

What do I need to do to play in College?

Freshman

Academics

- *No. 1 Priority.....Grades!!!*
- *Your goal should be to graduate in the top 10% of your Class.*

School Soccer

- *Try out for your High School Varsity Soccer team. If you make JV, work hard for a chance to Swing up to varsity.*
- *Make sure your resume is on the PPSC website.*

Club Soccer

- *Join a club team that has a reputation for being competitive and that has a qualified coach that likes to travel to big tournaments.*

State Select

- *Participate in State Select. This will give you the opportunity to meet club and college coaches, and play with other high level players.*

College Contact

- *Begin to identify what subjects at school interest you, where in the country you may like to live and talk to people about their college experiences.*
- *Being Prepared is everything!*

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Sophomore

* **Academics** *

- *No. 1 Priority.....Grades.*
- *Choose core subjects such as English, Foreign Languages, Math and Science, and ask your councilor about the NCAA Clearinghouse subjects you need to enable you to compete in NCAA athletics.*
- *Start preparing for your SAT/ACT college tests by taking your PSAT and PACT.*

* **School Soccer** *

- *You make your High School Varsity team, or ask your coach what you need to work on to make it, and WORK ON IT!*

* **Club Soccer** *

- *You are with a club team that is getting accepted to tournaments attended by College coaches and showing well.*
- *Your coach is interested in your grades as well as your soccer.*
- *Guest play in tournaments when your team does not travel.*
- *Make sure your resume is updated on the PPSC website.*

* **State Select** *

- *You continue to attend ODP, making the teams in State and Regional competitions.*
- *The coaches begin to recognize you and remember your name.*

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- *Watch some NCAA Div 1 soccer matches. Get to see the colleges that you would like to attend to see if you think you have the skill to play there.*
- *Identify up to 10 colleges that you think you would like to attend. Send them your first resume and a list of major tournaments you are attending. The resume should be one page with only pertinent information. Personal, academic, soccer & references.*
- *Remind the College coaches which tournaments you are going to via e-mail and direct them to:
www.rockymountainnews.com/drmn/prep_boys_soccer for your stats*
- *Some Div 1 & Div 2 College coaches cannot e-mail or call you back at this point, but you need to call and e-mail them.*
- *Find out if the schools that you are interested in have summer camp program, where you can check out the staff, facilities, the campus and talk to players and admissions to find out their requirements.*
- *If you are traveling to and from tournaments, stop by to take an unofficial visit to your prospective colleges.*

College Contact

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Junior

* **Academics** *

- *No. 1 Priority.....Grades.*
- *Keep working hard.*
- *Take your SAT/ACT a number of times to improve scores.*
- *Update the list of schools that you are interested in.*

* **School Soccer** *

- *You are now a starting player for your High School Varsity Team.*

* **Club Soccer** *

- *Your club team is traveling to the big tournaments such as Dallas, San Diego Surf, Nomads etc.*
- *Your team has a player profile book that is taken to each tournament for the College coaches who will be there recruiting.*
- *Make sure your resume is updated on the PPSC website.*

* **State Select** *

- *You make the State Select State or Regional team. Staff and College coaches know you now!*
- *You are playing with some of the best players in your area.*

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Junior

***** *College Contact* *****

- *Update the list of schools that you are interested in. Continue to e-mail and Call these schools around once or twice a month. Make sure you call for a reason.*
- *Write to your prospective coaches with a personalized cover letter, ask for literature about the college and specifically the soccer program.*
- *Every time you update your soccer resume, e-mail it to your prospective coaches.*
- *Collegiate coaches can E-mail you back in your Junior Year but are not allowed to call you on the phone until July 1st. Remind them what your soccer schedule is.*
- *Carefully select your last camp. You want to attend camps that your prospective coaches will be at.*
- *Keep the PPSC staff updated on your selection.*
- *If you are traveling to and from tournaments, stop by to take an unofficial visit to your prospective colleges.*

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Senior

* **Academics** *

- *No. 1 Priority.....Grades, Grades, Grades!!!*
- *Achieve your goal to be the in the top 10% of your Class.*
- *Take ACT/SAT test until you get the score you need. You can take it as many times as you want.*
- *Submit your FAF (Financial Assistance Form) by January 1st. VERY IMPORTANT.*

* **School Soccer** *

- *You are starting every game for your High School Varsity team and are getting lots of play time and exposure.*

* **Club Soccer** *

- *You play in your last club tournament.*
- *Keep your updated soccer resume on the PPSC website.*

* **State Select** *

- *Continue to play State Select if possible.*

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Senior

***** *College Contact* *****

- *Continue to keep contacting your prospective coaches. They can call you once per week.*
- *Send in your records to the NCAA Clearing House at the beginning of your Senior year, so you can be cleared to play NCAA Athletics.*
- *You are allowed 5 official visits to colleges. Official visit means that the college pays for some part of your trip.*
- *Unofficial visits can be taken as often as you want.*
- *If you are not getting much attention from your list of schools, take a look at your choices and evaluate whether your expectations are not too high. Look into other schools that may be more suitable.*
- *Start applying to Colleges that you would like to go to and prove to the coach that you really are interested.*

Reference materials to aid in your pursuit of college playing opportunities.

NCAA Rules:: NCAA Guide for the College-Bound Soccer Player

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NAIA Rules: NAIA Guide for the college bound soccer player

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