If you want to compete in NCAA sports, you need to register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org). Plan to register before your freshman year of high school (or year nine of secondary school). The information below will help guide you through the registration process.

**TO GET STARTED, DETERMINE THE ELIGIBILITY CENTER ACCOUNT TYPE YOU NEED:**

1. **Profile Page Account:** If you are not sure in which division you want to compete, or are a domestic student-athlete who plans to compete at a Division III school, create a free Profile Page account. If at any time you wish to pursue a Division I or II path, you’ll be able to transition to the right [Certification account](#). All international student-athletes who plan to compete at a Division III school should start with an Amateurism-Only Certification account.

2. **Academic and Amateurism Certification Account:** You must receive an academic and amateurism certification from the Eligibility Center to compete at an NCAA Division I or II school. Before you can go on official visits or sign a Division I or II [National Letter of Intent](#), you must have completed the Academic and Amateurism Certification account registration (including payment or [fee waiver](#)).

3. **Amateurism-Only Certification Account:** International student-athletes (first-year students and transfers) must have their amateurism status certified by the Eligibility Center in order to compete at an NCAA Division III school. You must have completed the Amateurism-Only Certification account registration (including payment or [fee waiver](#)) to be eligible to practice or compete at a Division III school. Visit [on.ncaa.com/Amat](http://on.ncaa.com/Amat) for more information.

This account may also be right for domestic student-athletes transferring from a two-year school to an NCAA Division I or II school who have not previously been certified by the Eligibility Center. These students should speak with the compliance staff at the NCAA school they plan to attend to determine which account type is required.

Once you have determined the right account for you, visit [eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org) to start your account. A list of information you will need to complete your account is outlined on the next page. For a Profile Page account, please allow 15 minutes to complete. For Certification accounts, please allow between 30 and 45 minutes to complete. If you need to exit and come back at a later time, you can save and exit once your account is created.

*Nsure which account type you need?* We recommend starting with our free Profile Page account, then consulting with the compliance office at the NCAA school you may attend. If you need additional assistance, contact the Eligibility Center’s Customer Service team at 877-262-1492, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern time Monday-Friday for assistance.
 HAVE ELIGIBILITY OR REGISTRATION QUESTIONS? 
If you have questions about initial eligibility or the registration process not addressed within this guide, reach out to us! We’re here to guide you through your journey. Here’s some additional sources of information that may help:

» Search our frequently asked questions at ncaa.org/studentfaq.

» Domestic students and Canadian students (except Quebec): Call us toll-free at 877-262-1492, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern time Monday-Friday.

» International students: Use our International Contact Form (ncaa.org/contactinternational) to submit questions.

ELIGIBILITY CENTER REGISTRATION ESSENTIALS

Below are some items you should have with you as you create an account at eligibilitycenter.org:

☐ VALID EMAIL FOR STUDENT
To register, you need a valid email address that you check regularly and will have access to after high school. The NCAA Eligibility Center uses email to update you about your account throughout the process. Note: If you have a sibling who has previously registered, you will need to use a different email address than the one in your sibling’s account.

☐ BASIC STUDENT PERSONAL INFORMATION
This includes information such as your name, gender, date of birth, primary and secondary contact information, address and mobile number for texting.

☐ BASIC STUDENT EDUCATION HISTORY
We will ask you to provide details about all secondary and high schools and additional programs you have attended in the United States and internationally. Be sure to include all schools, regardless of whether you received grades or credits. If you attended ninth grade at a junior high school located in the same school system in which you later attended high school, do not list the ninth-grade school.

☐ STUDENT SPORTS PARTICIPATION HISTORY
Select the sport(s) you plan to participate in at an NCAA school. For Certification accounts, we will ask you to provide details for any expenses or awards you received, any teams you have practiced or played with or certain events in which you participated. We also ask about any individuals who have advised you or marketed your skills in a particular sport. This information helps the Eligibility Center certify your amateur status once you request your final amateurism certification.

☐ PAYMENT (CERTIFICATION ACCOUNTS ONLY)
Your Academic and Amateurism or Amateurism-Only Certification account registration is complete only after your registration fee is paid (or upon submission of a fee waiver, if you are eligible). You may pay online by debit, credit card or echeck. For the Academic and Amateurism Certification account, the fee for college-bound student-athletes attending a high school in the United States, a U.S. territory or Canada is $100; the fee for international students is $160. For students for which an Amateurism-Only Certification account is the right choice, the fee for all students is $70. Profile Page accounts do not have a fee.

All fees are nonrefundable 30 days after the fee is paid for your Certification account. If you completed a duplicate registration and paid your registration fee twice, you may be eligible for a refund of the duplicate registration fee. To receive a refund, you will need to complete and submit an NCAA refund form.

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