

NAIA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

More than 30,000 students register each year to gain exposure and an opportunity to play.

EXPOSURE & NATIONAL VISIBILITY

Since opening in 2010, the NAIA Eligibility Center has had hundreds of thousands students register online providing unprecedented visibility and awareness of the opportunities to play intercollegiate sports at NAIA institutions. The exposure gained from partnerships with major testing services and the nation's more than 20,000 high schools has allowed the center to become a platform for reaching high school student-athletes, their families and coaches on a national scale.

LEVEL PLAYING FIELD

NAIA rules help ensure that NAIA student-athletes compete against students with similar levels of training and competitive experience. The NAIA Eligibility Center reviews the experiences of athletes who have competed outside the traditional college setting to maintain a level playing field throughout NAIA competition. Coaches know that the rules are applied consistently to every student, every time.

FOCUS ON THE STUDENT-ATHLETE & CUSTOMER SERVICE

- With NAIA rules, prospective students don't have to worry about navigating a complex web of eligibility and recruiting contact rules. High school students have three academic eligibility criteria to focus on. If a student meets two of the criteria, then the student is eligible upon high school graduation:
 - Cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale
 - Class rank in the top 50% of graduating class
 - ACT of 16 or SAT of 860 Critical Reading and Math*

The NAIA Eligibility Center provides initial eligibility determinations, working with integrity to apply NAIA rules and provide quality customer service for students, parents and NAIA membership.

- Registering with the NAIA Eligibility Center is straight forward. It takes only a few minutes for first-time NAIA students to register.
- High academic performers in high school can even receive a final eligibility determination before high school graduation, if they meet a higher GPA standard and have qualifying test scores.
- The fee to register is \$80 for students coming directly from high school, \$125 for transfer students, and \$135 for international students. For students with demonstrated need, a fee waiver system is in place.
- The PlayNAIA.org website is a one-stop shop for all work related to the NAIA Eligibility Center for students, NAIA members, and high school counselors. Students can track their progress online or through their mobile phones. NAIA coaches can easily monitor their recruits through the registration process through their school's PlayNAIA Manager web access.

INCRED: STREAMLINING FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

With its extensive experience in conducting credential evaluations of international student academic records, the NAIA Eligibility Center now offers InCred, a service for international students that combines the reviews for both admissions and athletic eligibility into a consolidated, cost-effective process.

InCred is a one-stop for international students to consolidate the admissions, transfer credit evaluation and eligibility process, saving students time and money through the submission of electronic international records. International student-athletes receive a quality credential evaluation on par with AACRAO and industry standards. InCred is the only international credential evaluation that provides consistency between the athlete's NAIA Eligibility Center review and a credential evaluation. InCred is helping pave the way for international students.

* Unreliable concordance scores on the redesigned SAT led the NAIA to adjust its eligibility requirements through 2018-19. These minimum scores will increase when new concordance data is available in 2019.

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