NCAA Initial Eligibility and Clearinghouse Issues

Overview

- 4 Parts of initial eligibility

- Clearinghouse registration process

- Accommodations for students with disabilities

Four Parts of Initial Eligibility

1. Graduation from High School.

2. Minimum core grade point average.

3. Minimum ACT or SAT scores.

4. Completion of core courses

Division I Core-Course Requirements

16 Core Courses

- 4 years English
- 3 years Math (Algebra 1-2/IMP1A-1B or higher)
- 2 year Science (@least 1 yr lab science)
- 1 year additional English, Math, or Science
- 2 years Social Studies
- 4 years additional courses (from any above area, foreign language, or nondoctrinal religion/philosophy)
- *Middle school classes MAY NOT count!*

Division II Core-Course Requirements

14 Core Courses

- 3 years English
- 2 years Math (Algebra 1-2/IMP1A-1B or higher)
- 2 year Science (@least 1 yr lab science)
- 2 year additional English, Math, or Science
- 2 years Social Studies
- 3 years additional courses (from any above area, foreign language, or nondoctrinal religion/philosophy)
- *Middle school classes MAY NOT count!*

Division III Core-Course Requirements

- Division III does not use the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse.

- Contact your Division III college regarding its policies on admission, financial aid, practice and competition.

Division I G.P.A. & Test Requirements

■ D-I

– Sliding scale combination of GPA and SAT/ACT scores
(see page 9 of *2007-2008 NCAA Guide for the College Bound Student Athlete*)

Division I Core GPA/Test Score Sliding Scale

Core GPA	SAT	ACT
3.550 & above	400	37
3.5	420	39
3.4	460	42
3.3	500	44
3.2	540	47
3.1	580	49
3.0	620	52
2.9	660	54
2.8	700	57
2.7	730	60
2.6	780	64
2.5	820	68
2.4	860	71
2.3	900	75
2.2	940	79
2.1	970	82
2.0	1010	86

SAT= Critical Reading + Math

ACT=English + Math + Reading + Science

Divisions II & III

- D-II
  - Minimum
    - 820 SAT Critical Reasoning and Math
    - 68 sum ACT
    - AND 2.00 core GPA
- D-III
  - No minimum; contact colleges

The Clearinghouse Process

- Download the
  NCAA Guide for the College Bound Student-Athlete at:

  http://www2.ncaa.org/portal/media_and_events/ncaa_publications/general_interest/cbsa.html

  or

  Request one copy free by calling
  1(800)638-3731

How to Register

- Online: www.ncaaclearinghouse.net
  - Prospective Student Athletes
- Complete the Domestic Student Release Form and pay the $50 registration fee.
  - Fee waivers are available for students who take the SAT or ACT with a fee waiver.

How to Register

- Print out a copy of your completed form and Copy 1 and Copy 2 of the Transcript Release form. Sign both copies of the form and take them to the counseling office.

Transcript Accuracy is Vital!

- Once the clearinghouse receives a <u>final</u> transcript a revised transcript will NOT be used.

- All transcript changes after graduation must be handled through the initial-eligibility waiver process.

When Should Students Register?

- At the beginning of the junior year of high school.
  - This is because of the <u>*new*</u> Certification of Amateur Status process.
- Update your athletics participation section regularly.
- The clearinghouse will NOT process a transcript with less than 6 semesters presented.

When Will the Student Receive a Preliminary Report?

The Clearinghouse prioritizes incoming information as follows:

- Students who are being actively recruited by an institution and are on an institutional request list.

- Students with disabilities who are registered with NCAA disability services.

- Students who request a report.

How to Check Your Status

- Call the Clearinghouse
  - 877/262-1492
  - You will need your Social Security number and your Clearinghouse PIN.

Important Information About the PIN

- Students self-select a PIN when they register.
- Choose a PIN that is easy to remember.
- WRITE IT DOWN WHERE YOU WILL FIND IT WHEN YOU NEED IT!!!
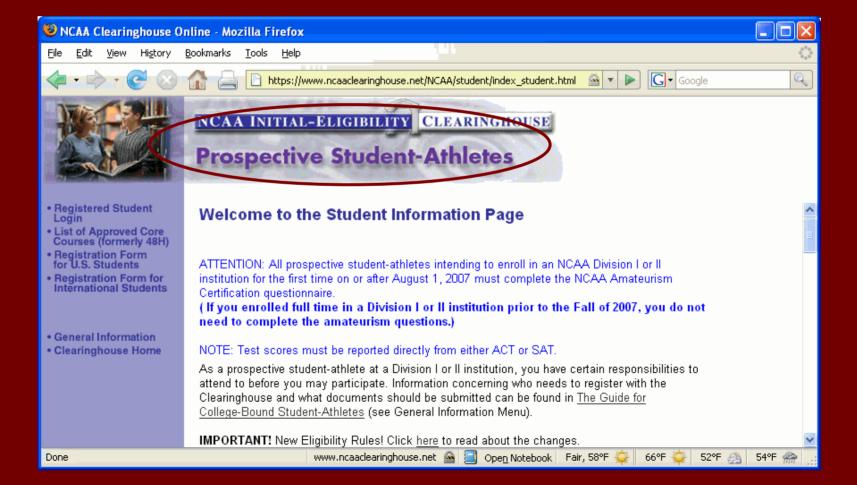- If that fails, contact the Clearinghouse to get a new PIN.

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

- **Eligible students:**
  - Must take the SAT or ACT with accommodation
    - Talk with the building SSD Coordinator (Mr. Burns)
  - Must take courses specifically designed for students with disabilities
    - e.g. Special Education classes
  - File an initial-eligibility wavier on their own behalf
- See page 13 of the *Guide*

NCAA Disability Services Process

■ Send the following information to the Clearinghouse:
  – Copy of your professional diagnosis
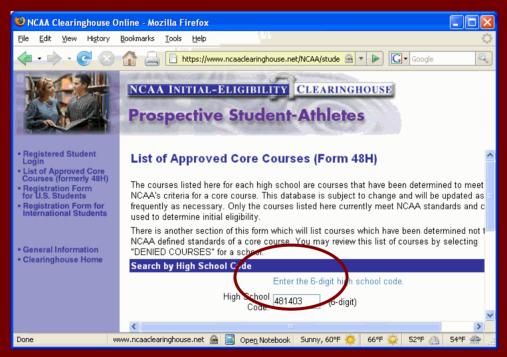 – Copy of your IEP or 504 Plan dated within the last 3 years

List of Approved Core Courses

■ Go to Prospective Student-Athlete Page

List of Approved Core Courses

■ **Click on List of Approved Core Courses (formerly 48H)**

List of Approved Core Courses

- Enter your school code – Wilson = 481403

- Click Submit at bottom of page

List of Approved Core Courses

■ Click Continue

Review

- Four parts to initial eligibility

- How to register with the Clearinghouse

- Students with disabilities

- Web pages

Clearinghouse Customer Service

Before 11/1/07

- Clearinghouse mailing address:
  NCAA Clearinghouse
  301 ACT Drive
  Box 4043
  Iowa City, IA 52243-4043

- Clearinghouse customer service hours:
  8 a.m. to 5 p.m. *Central* Time Monday through Friday

- Toll Free phone numbers (domestic callers only):
  Customer Service Line - 877/262-1492

- Phone numbers (international callers):
  Customer Service Line - 319/337-1492

- Fax Number: 319/337-1556

Clearinghouse Customer Service

After 11/1/07

- Clearinghouse mailing address:
  NCAA Eligibility Center
  P.O. Box 7110
  Indianapolis, IN 46206

- Clearinghouse customer service hours:
  8 a.m. to 5 p.m. *Eastern* Time Monday through Friday

- Toll Free phone numbers (domestic callers only):
  Customer Service Line - 877/262-1492

- Phone numbers (international callers):
  Customer Service Line - 317/223-0700

- Fax Number not available