



FC Europa

College Soccer Planning Guide

Agenda

- ▶ Welcome and Orientation
 - ▶ Barry Davey - DOC
 - ▶ Lee Bishop - Phase Director, 11v11
 - ▶ Jeff Waples - Dir. College Recruiting
- ▶ Change in College Coordinator Role
 - ▶ John Gregg
- ▶ College Recruiting Overview
- ▶ College Coach Panel



Is College Soccer for You?

- ▶ What is your ability level:
 - ▶ *NCAA - National Collegiate Athletic Association*
 - ▶ *Divisions I, II, & III*
 - ▶ *NAIA - National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics*
 - ▶ *NJCAA - National Junior College Athletic Association*
- ▶ What is your commitment level:
 - ▶ *Are you prepared to make soccer your primary extra-curricular activity?*
- ▶ How important is soccer to your college experience:
 - ▶ *Does it depend on acceptance?*
 - ▶ *Is it to help with tuition?*
 - ▶ *Only 2% of athletes receive scholarships for athletics*



Player Volumes

Student-Athletes	Men's Basketball	Women's Basketball	Football	Baseball	Men's Ice Hockey	Men's Soccer
High School Student-Athletes	541,054	433,344	1,093,234	482,629	35,393	417,419
High School Senior Student-Athletes	154,587	123,813	312,353	137,894	10,112	119,263
NCAA Student-Athletes	18,320	16,319	71,291	33,431	3,976	23,602
NCAA Freshman Roster Positions	5,234	4,663	20,369	9,552	1,136	6,743
NCAA Senior Student-Athletes	4,071	3,626	15,842	7,429	884	5,245
NCAA Student-Athletes Drafted	47	32	255	638	60	72
Percent High School to NCAA	3.4%	3.8%	6.5%	6.9%	11.2%	5.7%
Percent NCAA to Professional	1.2%	0.9%	1.6%	8.6%	6.8%	1.4%
Percent High School to Professional	0.03%	0.03%	0.08%	0.53%	0.04%	0.06%

*Percentages based on estimated data.

Division	# of Schools	# of teams		Total Athletes		Average team size		Scholarship limit per team		Average Athletic Scholarship *	
		Men's	Women's	Men	Women	Men's	Women's	Men	Women	Men	Women
NCAA I	335	204	333	5,926	9,383	29	28	9.9	14	16,199	17,121
NCAA II	267	213	265	6,575	7,244	31	27	9	9.9	6,364	7,756
NCAA III	447	416	441	12,119	10,869	29	25	-	-	-	-
NAIA	196	188	189	5,672	4,632	30	25	12	12	6,539	7,011
Other 4 year	76	73	47	1,508	877	21	19	-	-	622	797



College Expectations

- ▶ Your education is your number one priority
 - ▶ *You cannot, and will not play if your grades are not up*
 - ▶ *You will miss class, and have more independent study time*
 - ▶ *Early scheduling is offered to athletes to schedule around practices*

- ▶ Your day will be regimented:
 - ▶ *Classes, lunch, and then 2-3 hour training daily*
 - ▶ *Daily competition for your starting position*
 - ▶ *No guarantee to play immediately, regardless of what the coach promises*
 - ▶ *You are replaceable, or can be improved*
 - ▶ *Off-season is short*



Resources Available

- ▶ Director of College Recruitment
- ▶ Director of Coaching
- ▶ Club and High School Coaches
- ▶ High School Counselors
- ▶ NSCAA Official College Guide - link in resources
- ▶ Internet Searches



Player Responsibilities

- ▶ Commit to the team
- ▶ Take care of their body and academic performance
- ▶ Own the recruitment process
 - ▶ Emailing coaches and schools
 - ▶ Creating videos (assistance can be provided)
 - ▶ Keep track of stats
- ▶ Own the school selection process
- ▶ Create a player profile page (template can be provided)



Parent Responsibilities

- ▶ Assist the player with team commitments
- ▶ Support the player
- ▶ Set realistic expectations
 - ▶ Financial
 - ▶ Geographic location
 - ▶ Level of soccer in conjunction with club coach
- ▶ Let the player make the decision on school and program



College Coord. Responsibilities

- ▶ Liaison between college coaches, club coaches and families
- ▶ Email college coaches team profiles prior to events
- ▶ Research ID camps within a 2-3 hour radius
- ▶ Cultivate college relationships to build the Europa brand of player
- ▶ Enrich and establish connections with college coaches
- ▶ Give every player who wishes to play in college the best opportunity to
- ▶ Provide team and player profile templates



Class of 2020

Ht: (6' 0")
Wt: (175 lbs)

High School: (West Chester Henderson)
GPA: (4.0) **Weighted:** (95.7)

SAT:
ACT:

High School Courses:
(AP English, CP Math, etc)

Academic Interest:
(Major – Physical Therapy, Nursing)

Extra Curricular:
(Clubs, Volunteer, Programs)

#10 **Players Name**

Midfielder

FC Europa United, Coach Lee Bishop

Player Information

Player Email: (xxxxxx@mmm.com)
Player Cell #: (717-555-1212)
IG Account: (elite_socceracademy)
Twitter Account: (@elitesocker)

Parent Information

Parents Name: (Tom and Becky Smith)
Parents Address: (717171 Marathone Blvd., Philadelphia PA 17000)
Parents Cell #: (717-555-1212)
Parents Email: (xxxxxx@mmm.com)

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HEAD COACH/DOC

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DIRECTOR OF COLLEGE RECRUITMENT

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Roster

Number	Name	Position
1	Jacob Rivers	GK
2	Brett Northeimer	F
7	Chase Wurth	M
8	Manish Patel	M
9	Ryan Hoffman	D
10	Will Snarponis	M
12	Rahul Bhuma	F
13	Spencer Milanek	M
14	Cameron Trites	WD
15	Evan Medley	F
16	Kevin Campoverde	M
18	Tianbo Yang	M
21	Henry May	F
24	Graham Pease	D
41	Tyler Andorn	GK
44	Kyle Kernen	D
49	Will Pless	D
61	Sean Murphy	M
80	Will Carney	F



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2017-18 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

PA Classics Winter College Showcase
12/2-12/3

Penn Fusion Showcase
12/9-12/10

FC Europa Turf Cup
3/3-3/4

Baltimore Mania
3/17-3/18

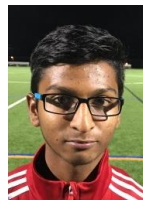
PAC Challenger Tournament
5/12-5/13

Bloomsburg Showcase
6/2-6/3



#1 JACOB RIVERS

GOALKEEPER | HT: 5'10"
Email: cooljake@gmail.com
Phone: 484-925-9998
High school: Conestoga
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 3.8



#12 RAHUL BHUMA

FORWARD | HT: 5'3"
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High school: Conestoga
Grad year: 2020 | GPA:



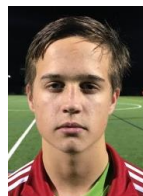
#24 GRAHAM PEASE Captain

DEFENSE | HT: 5'6"
Email: 20Peasec@student.wcasd.net
Phone: 484-695-1672
High school: West Chester East
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 4.85



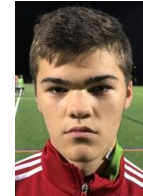
#2 BRETT NORTHEIMER

FORWARD | HT: 5'11"
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Phone: 215-327-3660
High school: Conestoga
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 3.5



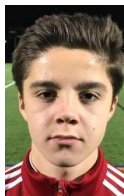
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MIDFIELD | HT 5'11"
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High school: Conestoga
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 5.01



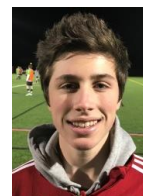
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GOALKEEPER | HT: 5'10"
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Phone: 215-694-9231
High school: Methacton
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 3.7



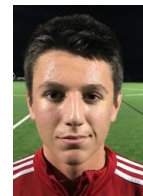
#7 CHASE WURTH

MIDFIELD | HT: 5'6"
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Phone: 267-309-3489
High school: Conestoga
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 4.64



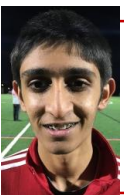
#14 CAMERON TRITES

DEFENSE/MIDFIELD | HT: 5'8"
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Phone: 484-515-1670
High school: Conestoga
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 4.5



#44 KYLE KERNEN

DEFENSE | HT: 5'6"
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High school: Spring-Ford
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 4.0



#8 MANISH PATEL

MIDFIELD | HT: 5'10"
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High school: Conestoga
Grad year: 2019 | GPA: 4.74



#16 KEVIN CAMPOVERDE

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High school: Upper Darby
Grad year: 2020 | GPA:



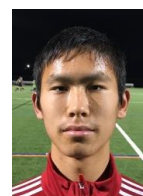
#49 WILL PLESS Captain

DEFENSE | HT: 5'10"
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Phone: 484-888-1461
High school: Conestoga
Grad year: 2019 | GPA: 4.3



#9 RYAN HOFFMAN

DEFENSE | HT: 5'7"
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High school: Archbishop Carroll
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 4.5



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Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 4.4



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Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 3.9



#10 WILL SNARPONIS

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Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 3.97



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High school: Malvern Prep
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 3.88



#80 WILL CARNEY

FORWARD | HT: 5'7"
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High school: Central
Grad year: 2020 | GPA: 3.9



Recruiting - Step 1

- ▶ Understand the Recruitment Process & Guidelines:
 - ▶ *Who can recruit?*
 - ▶ *Recruiting can only be performed by members of the athletic/soccer staff*
 - ▶ *When can you be recruited?*
 - ▶ *Start of your freshman year*
 - ▶ *College coaches may officially contact you as of July 1st following your junior year*
 - ▶ *Register for the NCAA Clearinghouse by your junior year - link in resources*
 - ▶ *NCAA Division standards & eligibility:*
 - ▶ *Review the guidelines set forth by the NCAA, failure to comply could leave you ineligible - link in resources*



Recruiting - Step 2

- ▶ Work toward & maintain a positive student track record:
 - ▶ *Attendance record*
 - ▶ *Grades (2.3 GPA or higher is needed)*
 - ▶ *4 years of English*
 - ▶ *3 years of math (Algebra 1 or higher)*
 - ▶ *2 years of science and 1 year lab science*
 - ▶ *5 extra years combined English, math, science or languages*
 - ▶ *Test scores (SAT, ACT)*
- ▶ Remain active with enrichment programs:
 - ▶ *Community service*
 - ▶ *Team leadership*
- ▶ Being a good student and athlete will open more doors for you as well as your prospective coach



Recruiting - Step 3

- ▶ Develop & maintain an exemplary reputation as a soccer player:
 - ▶ *Commitment to your team*
 - ▶ *Commitment to showcase tournaments, state, regional, and ODP events*
 - ▶ *Develop consistency with training and game performance*
- ▶ Be aware of observations by club coaches for your team dynamic and leadership ability:
 - ▶ *Commitment*
 - ▶ *Passion*
 - ▶ *Reliability*
 - ▶ *Responsibility*
 - ▶ *Team mindset*



Recruiting - Step 4

- ▶ Learn what college coaches are looking for:
 - ▶ *Physical ability*
 - ▶ *Psychological ability*
 - ▶ *Tactical ability*
 - ▶ *Technical ability*
 - ▶ *Intangibles (leadership, will power, desire)*
- ▶ Refer to your club coach for honest evaluations on strengths and weaknesses



Recruiting - Step 5

- ▶ Learn what you are looking for in a college
 - ▶ *Academics - does the school have majors your are interested in?*
 - ▶ *Climate - how does the campus look and feel while being there?*
 - ▶ *Geographical location - Urban/Rural, North/South, East/West, distance to home*
 - ▶ *Public vs Private*
 - ▶ *Size*
 - ▶ *Soccer Program:*
 - ▶ *Coaches*
 - ▶ *Direction of the program*
 - ▶ *Program history*
 - ▶ *Style of play*



Recruiting - Step 6

- ▶ Introducing Yourself to College Coaches
 - ▶ *Make a good first impression:*
 - ▶ *Do your homework on the school and the program*
 - ▶ *Personalize your greeting*
 - ▶ *Explain why you're interested in the school and the program*
 - ▶ *Additional ways to meet coaches:*
 - ▶ *Attend college summer camps*
 - ▶ *Unofficial college visits*
 - ▶ *Notify coach prior to trip*
 - ▶ *Go during school*
 - ▶ *Bring a soccer resume*
 - ▶ *Write a thank you letter as follow up*
 - ▶ *FC Europa's Director of College Recruitment*



Recruiting - Step 7

▶ Player videos

- ▶ Not a requirement
- ▶ Have two versions:
 - ▶ Highlight video
 - ▶ 15 minutes of unedited play
- ▶ Field players include:
 - ▶ Receiving air and ground balls
 - ▶ Passing, short and long distances
 - ▶ Shooting, power and finesse
 - ▶ Dribbling and agility with the ball
- ▶ Keepers include:
 - ▶ Crosses and shot stopping
 - ▶ Footwork
 - ▶ Verbal communication
 - ▶ Goalie drills



Selecting a College

- ▶ What you should be asking yourself about a school:
 - ▶ *Would I want to attend this school if I was not playing soccer?*
 - ▶ *Would I be happy to sit my first and maybe second year?*
 - ▶ *Would I still be interested in the school with a different coach?*
 - ▶ *Am I comfortable both academically and athletically?*
 - ▶ *Did I observe a good team dynamic?*



College Evaluation

Category	Good	Average	Below Average
School			
Academic Support			
Admission Standards			
Campus Size			
Field of Study			
Rank in Major			
Soccer Program			
Coaching Staff			
Competitiveness of Team			
Difficulty of Schedule			
Facilities			
Potential Playing Time			
Travel Commitment			
Other			
Campus Atmosphere			
Coach's Interest in Recruiting Me			
Geographical Location			
Size of School			



Resources

- ▶ [NCAA Prospective Student Athlete Guide](#)
- ▶ [NCAA Eligibility Center](#) - \$80 registration fee (DI & DII)
- ▶ [NCAA Course Site](#)
- ▶ [FC Europa](#)
- ▶ Director of College Recruitment
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