



RECRUITING TIPS FROM THE CONNECTICUT SEAHAWKS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Use these 5 tips to help with your softball scholarship recruiting:

GET THE BEST GRADES POSSIBLE: This is an easy aspect of your recruiting to control. Coaches have a much easier time recruiting an athlete that leaves no questions to their academic ability in college. Colleges are tightening admission standards for athletes each year. Don't let your grades leave you sidelined.

PLAY MULTIPLE POSITIONS: With limited amount of money for scholarships to hand out, if you can play two positions well, the coach saves money by recruiting you. You are a two-for-one deal in the coaches eye. Even if your high school coach only lets you play one position, play another during your summer season.

GET EXPOSURE: You have to let the coaches know you exist. Even if you are from a rural high school or school that hasn't had a scholarship athlete in years past, you can get your name out there if you contact schools early.

DON'T WAIT: Coaches are offering scholarships earlier every year. Start your recruiting during your sophomore year to get a jump on the competition. Junior year is critical for softball and you should have been contacting colleges all year. Don't wait for your high school coach or college to contact you. Get out there and make it happen.

BE AGGRESSIVE: There is a lot of competition. Be aggressive with contacting schools, sending out personal recruiting packets and picking up the phone. It often comes down to who did more work during the recruiting process, not who is the most talented softball player.

USE THESE TIPS AS A STARTING POINT FOR YOUR COLLEGE SOFTBALL SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH. YOU NEED TO START DEVELOPING A RECRUITING GAME PLAN AND EDUCATING YOURSELF ABOUT THE RECRUITING PROCESS. **TAKE ACTION AND YOU CAN GUARANTEE YOURSELF SUCCESS.**