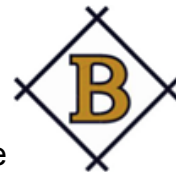


PLAYING AT THE NEXT LEVEL



- Evaluate the pros and cons of the demands of being a college student-athlete
 - Establish what you want to get out of college (your priorities)
 - If you got injured, where would you be happy just going to college?
 - Academic goals, Athletic goals, Cost of tuition, Location of country
- Create a diverse portfolio of schools that fit those priorities and goals
 - There are more ways to play college baseball than just the top D1 programs
 - Choose programs of different levels and caliber: DI-DIII & JUCO
- Consider Location: Lots of competition in CA, TX, FL, The Southeast & AZ regions
 - Use your academics to help land a spot on a team or get academic money
- Create a valuable brand for yourself
 - Coaches recruit people, not just athletes
 - How will coaches perceive you? Professionalism is a must
 - Social Media- use it wisely or it could cost you
- Get better in all aspects as a person and always play like someone is watching
 - Prepare yourself for what it takes to manage athletics, academics, & social life in college
 - Coaches look for your actions in between plays and how you respond to failure
 - You never know when they're watching you
- Showcases
 - See what schools are attending the showcase
 - Are you interested in any of those schools?
 - Tell coaches if you are going to be at certain showcase even if their school isn't scheduled to be there (Coaches share info with each other)
 - Look for showcases that send you an assessment and/or video afterward
- Play on a fall travel team- Try to get into the Arizona Fall Classic
- Go to prospect camps of the schools you are really interested in
- Get started recruiting yourself early
 - Establish your priorities and goals & make a spreadsheet of 25-50 schools with head and assistant coaches contact info
 - Make a video - Nothing fancy, keep it short and to the point
 - Include game/practice footage, a quick 20-30 sec. personal introduction & baserunning times (if you're a position player, H→1B & H→2B)
 - Create a FieldLevel/NCSA type of account - Fill out profile, upload video, ask a coach to assess you - Maybe create a YouTube channel too
- Contact Coaches Directly
 - Send email with video & FieldLevel/NCSA account/YouTube channel link
 - **Pick up the phone and follow up with a call-** Don't just send emails
 - Coaches get hundreds of emails and most of them get ignored
 - Ask your current coach(es) to follow up with a call to the college coach as well
 - Recommendations go a long way
 - Ask coaches to come watch you if you are playing in their area of the country

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