

Playing College Sports in the NAIA

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#NAIAEligibilityCenter

About the NAIA



The NAIA exists to advance character-driven intercollegiate athletics

- The NAIA provides high school student-athletes the opportunity to keep playing sports while receiving an outstanding education
- Every student-athlete matters and receives the personal attention they need to succeed
- The NAIA intentionally teaches character and prepares student-athletes to be tomorrow's leaders

Keep playing

- 60,000 student-athletes play in the NAIA today
- The NAIA has colleges and universities throughout the U.S.
- Student-athletes have the chance to compete in 23 national championships
- NAIA student athletes receive more than \$450 million in athletic scholarships annually

Connect with the NAIA

- www.facebook.com/PlayNAIA 
- www.twitter.com/Play_NAIA 

Game on.



The NAIA Eligibility Center

The screenshot shows the homepage of the NAIA Eligibility Center. At the top left is the NAIA logo with the text "NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS". To its right is the text "THE NAIA ELIGIBILITY CENTER" and social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, and a "RSS BLOG" icon. A navigation menu below the header includes "Students", "Parents & Coaches", "High School Administrators", and "NAIA Members". On the right side, there is a red "Eligibility Center Login" box with fields for "E-mail" and "Password", a "SIGN IN" button, and a "Forgot Password?" link. The main content area features a background image of a softball player in a white and blue uniform. Overlaid on this image is the large "PLAYNAIA" logo and the tagline "Your college sports experience starts here." A yellow sticky note graphic with the text "Register now to Play!" is positioned in the upper right of the main image. Below the main image are three yellow call-to-action buttons: "WHAT IS THE ELIGIBILITY CENTER?" (with a sub-link to "Discover the academic and athletics opportunities offered at an NAIA school."), "REGISTER TO PLAY" (with a sub-link to "Register to have your eligibility determined to play in the NAIA!"), and "ARE YOU AN ADMINISTRATOR?" (with a sub-link to "High school administrators: Create a school profile to help students through the process.>").

The NAIA Eligibility Center

- The NAIA Eligibility Center determines the academic and athletic eligibility of all prospective student-athletes
- It delivers on our larger promise of integrity by ensuring not only inbound eligibility but a level of fairness among competitors
- Student-athletes who register have a unique opportunity to connect personally with NAIA coaches before choosing their college

Register with the NAIA Eligibility Center

- All first-time NAIA athletes must register
- NCAA and NAIA are different; if you want to play at an NAIA college or university you have to register with the NAIA Eligibility Center
- Register at [PlayNAIA.org](https://www.playnaia.org)

Registration fees and waivers

- Fee = \$70 for U.S. students and \$120 for international students
- Fee waivers are available based on need
 - HS students – ACT/SAT fee waiver or participation in free/reduced school lunch
 - College transfer students – Pell Grant of at least \$4,500

NAIA eligibility requirements

- Graduating HS seniors must meet 2 out of 3:
 - Minimum GPA of 2.0 on 4.0 scale
 - 18 ACT or 860 SAT
 - Graduation in top 50% of class

Submit ACT/SAT test scores

- List the NAIA as one of the places you want your scores sent
- Use our code: 9876
- Contact ACT or College Board to have scores sent if you have already taken the test

More about the ACT and SAT

- SAT score is the combined math and reading scores
- ACT is the composite score
- Writing sections are not used for eligibility
- Score must be achieved in one sitting

Need more information?

- Visit www.PlayNAIA.org
- Email ECinfo@naia.org
- Call 866-881-6242

Are you ready to PlayNAIA?
Get started today:

