



# **Recruiting 101**

## **FACTS**

- **1,006,000 total high school football players**
- **73,000 total NCAA football players (D1, D2, and D3)**
- **2.9% play D1**
- **1.9% play D2**
- **2.5% play D3**
- **YOU HAVE A .02% OF MAKING IT TO THE NFL**

# Recruiting 101: LEVELS

**FBS/POWER 5 (UGA):** 85 Total Scholarships (All Full Scholarships)

**GROUP OF 5 (Georgia Southern):** 85 Total Scholarships (Full)

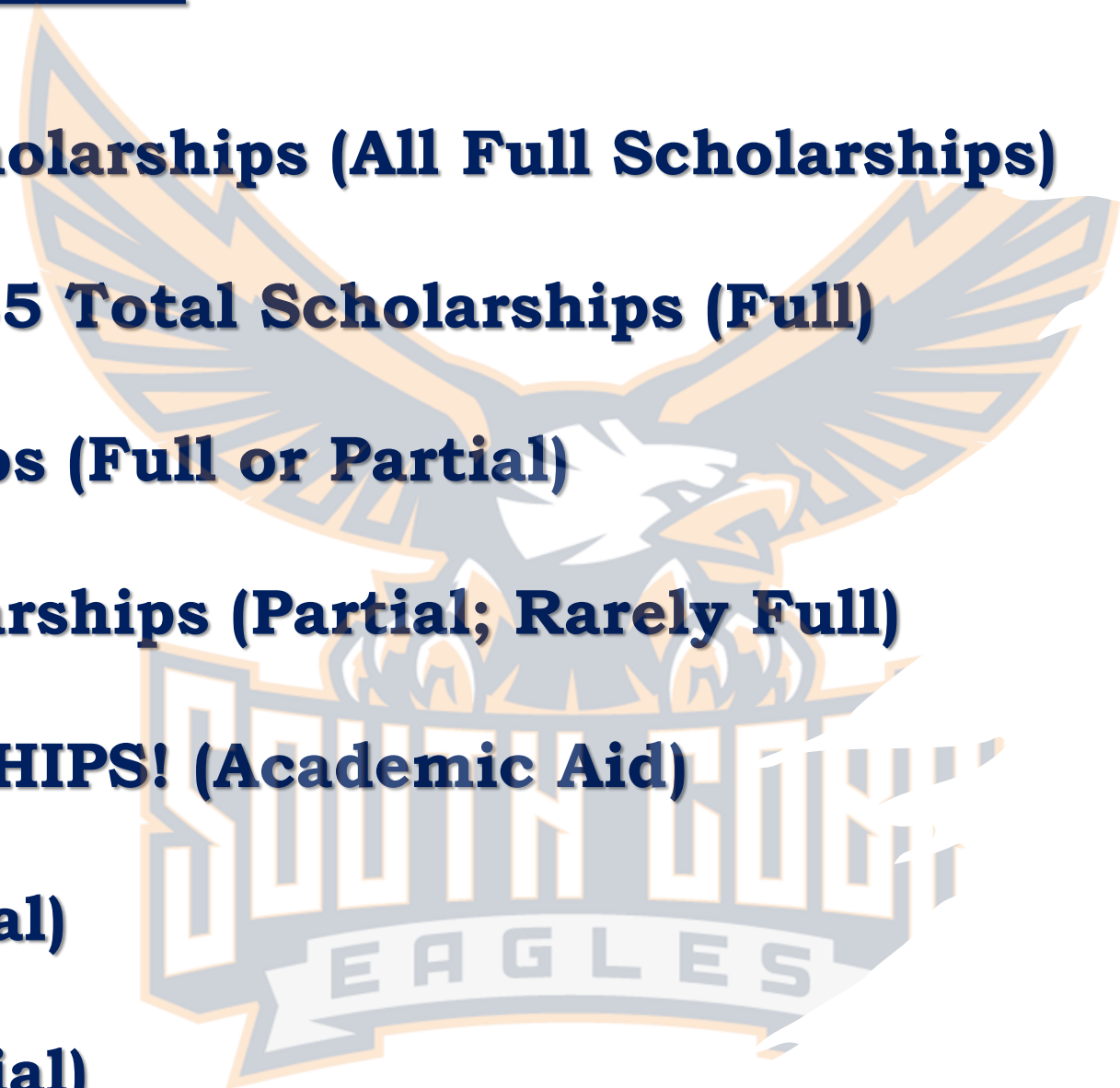
**FCS (Mercer):** 63 Total Scholarships (Full or Partial)

**D2 (West Georgia):** 36 Total Scholarships (Partial; Rarely Full)

**D3 (Berry College):** NO SCHOLARSHIPS! (Academic Aid)

**NAIA:** 24 Total Scholarships (Partial)

**JUCO:** 85 Total Scholarships (Partial)





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## **SIZE MATTERS**

### **Player Measurables:**

**OL (FBS/Group of 5) Think Texas:**

**6'5" 280; 5.0/40 (All-State/3,4,5★)**

**OL (D3/NAIA) Think Rhodes College:**

**6'1" 250; 5.4/40 (1-2 yr. Starter)**



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## **SIZE MATTERS**

### **Player Measurables:**

**QB (FBS/Group of 5) Think Alabama:**

**6'4" 220; 4.6/40 (All-State/3,4,5★)**

**QB (D3/NAIA) Think Mary Hardin (TX):**

**5'11" 180; 4.8/40 (1-2 yr. Starter)**





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## SIZE MATTERS

### Player Measurables:

RB (FBS/Group of 5) Think Florida St.:

6'0" 210; 4.4/40 (All-State/3,4,5★)

RB (D3/NAIA) Think LaGrange College:

5'9" 170; 4.7/40 (1-2 yr. Starter)



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## **SIZE MATTERS**

### **Player Measurables:**

**WR (FBS/Group of 5) Think Florida:**

**6'2" 190; 4.5/40 (All-State/3,4,5★)**

**WR (D3/NAIA) Think Randolph-Macon:**

**5'8" 155; 4.7/40 (1-2 yr. Starter)**



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## **SIZE MATTERS**

### **Player Measurables:**

**DL (FBS/Group of 5) Think Kentucky:**

**6'4" 280; 4.8/40 (All-State/3,4,5★)**

**DL (D3/NAIA) Think Mount Union (WI):**

**6'1" 220; 4.9/40 (1-2 yr. Starter)**



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## SIZE MATTERS

### Player Measurables:

LB (FBS/Group of 5) Think Georgia:

6'2" 220; 4.6/40 (All-State/3,4,5★)

LB (D3/NAIA) Think Lindsey Wilson (KY):

5'10" 190; 4.8/40 (1-2 yr. Starter)





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## **SIZE MATTERS**

### **Player Measurables:**

**DB (FBS/Group of 5) Think Auburn:**

**6'0" 185; 4.45/40 (All-State/3,4,5★)**

**DB (D3/NAIA) Think Randolph-Macon:**

**5'9" 160; 4.7/40 (1-2 yr. Starter)**



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## **ACADEMICS**

### **OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Unweighted GPA: 3.1 or Higher (90%+)**

**Unweighted GPA: 2.9 to 3.09 (70%)**

**Unweighted GPA: 2.7 to 2.89 (60%)**

**Unweighted GPA: 2.5 to 2.69 (50%)**

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## ACADEMICS



### REQUIREMENTS:

- A student **MUST** graduate with 16 Core Courses.
- 7 of the 10 core courses must be in English, Math, or Science.
- Core GPA MUST be 2.300 – Math, English, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Language (PE/CTAE DO NOT COUNT!)
- 4 YEARS of English
- 3 YEARS of Math (Alg. 1 or Higher)
- 2 YEARS of Natural or Physical Science
- 1 EXTRA YEAR of English, Math, OR Natural/Physical Science
- 2 YEARS of Social Studies
- 4 YEARS of EXTRA Core Courses
- Student **MUST** earn an ACT/SAT sum score matching your core-course GPA on the Division 1 sliding scale.

<http://www.ncaa.org/student-athletes/future/test-scores>

**Core GPA: 1.898 (No PE!!!)**

**Cumulative GPA:  
2.536 (PE Counts!)**

Cumulative Weighted GPA:  
Cumulative UnWeighted GPA:

2.536  
2.536

Active  
12

Attempted Credits:  
Total Credits Earned:

28.000  
28.000

**NO NCAA FOOTBALL**

**Mathematics**

2019\S1	09	27.1481011	GSE Foundations of Algebra Y
2019\S2	09	27.1990023	GSE Algebra I Y
2020\S1	10	27.1991011	GSE Geometry Y
2021\S1	11	27.1992011	GSE Algebra II Y
2022\S1	12	27.1850011	Advanced Mathematical Decision Making Y

72	1.000	1.000
71	1.000	1.000
71	1.000	1.000
74	1.000	1.000
73	1.000	1.000

**PE/Health**

2019\S1	09	36.0540099	Weight Train Y
2019\S2	09	36.0540099	Physical Conditioning Y
2020\S1	10	36.0540099	Weight Train Y
2020\S2	10	36.0540099	Weight Train Y
2020\S3	11	36.0540099	Health and Personal Fitness Combined Y
2020\S4	11	36.0540099	Adv Wt Training Y
2021\S1	12	36.0540099	Weight Train Y
2021\S2	12	36.0540099	Weight Train Y
2021\S3	12	36.0540099	Weight Train Y
2022\S1	12	36.0540099	Physical Conditioning Y

91	1.000	1.000
92	1.000	1.000
99	1.000	1.000
98	1.000	1.000
92	1.000	1.000
98	1.000	1.000
90	1.000	1.000
90	1.000	1.000
100	1.000	1.000
IP	1.000	0.000

**A = 4  
B = 3  
C = 2  
D = 1  
F = 0**



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## **TIMETABLE**

### **Freshmen:**

- **Ask your counselor for a list of South Cobb's NCAA CORE COURSES to make sure you are taking the right courses.**
- **MAKE A 3.0 GPA! DO NOT LIMIT YOUR OPPORTUNITIES. If you start with at least a "B" Average as a 9<sup>th</sup> Grader, it is so much easier to maintain this GPA throughout high school.**





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## TIMETABLE

### Sophomores:

- Register with the NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)
- CONTINUE TO MAKE A 3.0 GPA!

## Juniors:

- Check with your counselor to make sure you will graduate **ON TIME** with the **REQUIRED** number of **NCAA CORE COURSES**.
- Sign up to take the SAT or the ACT.
- Submit your scores to the NCAA Clearing House using Code 9999.
- At the end of the year, ask your counselor to upload your transcript to the NCAA Clearing House.
- **CONTINUE TO MAKE A 3.0 GPA!**

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### **TIMETABLE**





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## **TIMETABLE**

### **Seniors:**

- **Finish your NCAA CORE COURSES.**
- **Take the SAT or ACT again.**
- **Complete your academic and amateurism questions in your NCAA Eligibility Account.**
- **Have your counselor submit your final transcript along with proof of graduation.**



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## **CAMPS AND COMBINES**

### **College One Day Camps:**

- **Communicate with Coach Hanson and Coach Wilson about what camps you want to visit.**
- **BE REALISTIC!**
- **Schools want to watch you workout and interact with you in person, then offer or move onto the next prospect.**
- **\$40 - \$70 is a lot less costly than going for an entire week and paying \$350.**





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## **CAMPS AND COMBINES**

### **Winter/Spring Combines:**

- **Communicate with Coach Hanson and Coach Wilson about which combine you want to attend. We will VET it!**
- **Be ready to showcase your skills and be prepared for testing (40; L-Drill; 3-Cone; Height; Weight; Wingspan)**
- **UNDERSTAND THE RISK: A slow 40 time can hurt your recruiting; however, a fast 40 time can make you a superstar.**



## Guidelines:

- **Make sure your contact information is correct. MAKE IT EASY FOR COLLEGE COACHES TO CONTACT YOU.**
- **Your BEST 10 Plays FIRST.**
- **Highlight or circle yourself unless you are a QB.**
- **NO MUSIC.**
- **NO SLOW MOTION/INSTANT REPLAYS.**
- **NO MORE THAN 4 MINUTES. NOT EVERY CATCH OR TACKLE IS A HIGHLIGHT.**
- **Ask your position coach for his opinion.**

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### **HIGHLIGHT FILMS**





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## **RECRUITING SERVICES**

### **Be Careful:**

**DON'T FALL VICTIM TO FALSE PROMISES AND GUARANTEES. If someone guarantees that they will get you a scholarship for a specific price, RUN!**

- **Please use your coaches and your own ability. WE ARE VERY CONNECTED TO COLLEGE COACHES, AND WE DO NOT CHARGE A FEE.**
- **Remember, we have the same databases that the services have.**



**BEFORE YOU POST...**

**THINK!**



**T** - is it true?

**H** - is it hurtful?

**I** - is it illegal?

**N** - is it necessary?

**K** - is it kind?



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## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

### **Remember:**

- **College Coaches WILL follow you on SOCIAL MEDIA and monitor what you post.**
- **They are potentially investing hundreds of thousands of dollars in you.**
- **If you post something that makes you look bad, they will TAKE AWAY your OFFER!**
- **IS IT WORTH THE RISK???**



# Recruiting 101

## ADVICE

### Player:

- **Be PROACTIVE.** If a coach asks you to fill out a Recruiting Form on-line, **DO IT**, regardless of the level!
- **When you meet coaches, be friendly and articulate. YOU are selling YOURSELF and OUR SCHOOL to these coaches.**
- **MAKE A PLAN.** Where do you see yourself playing? Is that realistic? What level does that school play? Are there similar schools? Is there a fall back plan?
- **Put TEAM first and the REWARD will follow. The later WE play in the season, the more EXPOSURE you will get.**



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## ADVICE

### Parent:

- **Be SUPPORTIVE.** This is your son's decision, but you need to be there to guide him. Remember, this is a 40-YEAR decision, not a 4-YEAR decision.
- **When you meet coaches, your FAMILY is being evaluated.** Coaches want to know how your child will fit into their respective programs.
- **Educate yourself about the schools and coaches you will visit.**
- **MONITOR GRADES especially CORE COURSES.**
- **LEAN ON OUR COACHING STAFF.** We are here to help.
- **TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE ENTIRE PROCESS.**





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## **ADVICE**

### **Potential Parent Questions:**

- 1. What does the scholarship pay for?**
- 2. How long is the scholarship for?**
- 3. What kind of academic support do you give your players?**
- 4. Where is my son on your recruiting board?**
- 5. What is the time commitment for football vs. academics?**
- 6. What majors do you offer in his field?**





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## **A COACH'S ROLE**

### **I WILL...**

- **MAKE SURE THAT PARENTS UNDERSTAND THAT I CANNOT GET YOUR PLAYER A SCHOLARSHIP!**
- **Create a list of current prospects.**
- **Distribute this list to all coaches that visit our campus and send emails to all college coaches.**
- **Follow up with coaches and use Social Media as a Recruiting Tool.**
- **Make recommendations based on Measurables and University/College Requirements.**



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## **A COACH'S ROLE (cont.)**

### **I WILL...**

- **Present our players in a favorable light, but also be extremely candid. REMEMBER, WE WANT TO FOSTER RELATIONSHIPS WITH COLLEGE COACHES, NOT BURN THEM WITH MISINFORMATION.**
- **Vouch for the following things that ALL College Coaches ask about:**
  - 1. Academics**
  - 2. Work Ethic**
  - 3. Character**

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## **FACTS**



- **In 2019, TENNESSEE made 440 offers to rising Seniors. REMEMBER, THERE ARE MANY OFFERS THAT ARE NOT COMMITTABLE, SO BE CAREFUL!**
- **DON'T GET CAUGHT UP IN THE SOCIAL MEDIA GAME....Many "OFFERS" are nothing more than fancy invitations to a college or university's summer camp.**
- **BEST PRACTICE: Ask, "Is this offer committable? If so, for how long?"**



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## **FACTS**



- **YOU ARE NOW COMPETING AGAINST COVID-19 HOLDOVERS AND BOUNCE-BACKS. If you have a COMMITTABLE OFFER, take it or it might not last.**
- **REMEMBER, A VERBAL COMMITMENT IS NON-BINDING FOR AN ATHLETE. The only thing that binds an athlete to a school is when he/she signs a NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT.**