

Far Post College Presentation



Each Player's Path is Unique

The background of the slide is a dark blue-grey color. It features a large number of small, semi-transparent images of people in various poses, appearing to be jumping or falling. These images are scattered across the entire page, creating a sense of movement and individuality. The overall aesthetic is modern and dynamic.

- Setting realistic expectations
- The importance of academics
- Timeline of Recruiting
- Identify Process
- Communication Process
- Evaluations
- Scholarships

Why Play College Soccer?

Could assist with admissions process

Could get athletic scholarship to help costs of college

Team can help with transition into college

Structured schedule: academic and social monitoring

Road trips and experiences

Competition

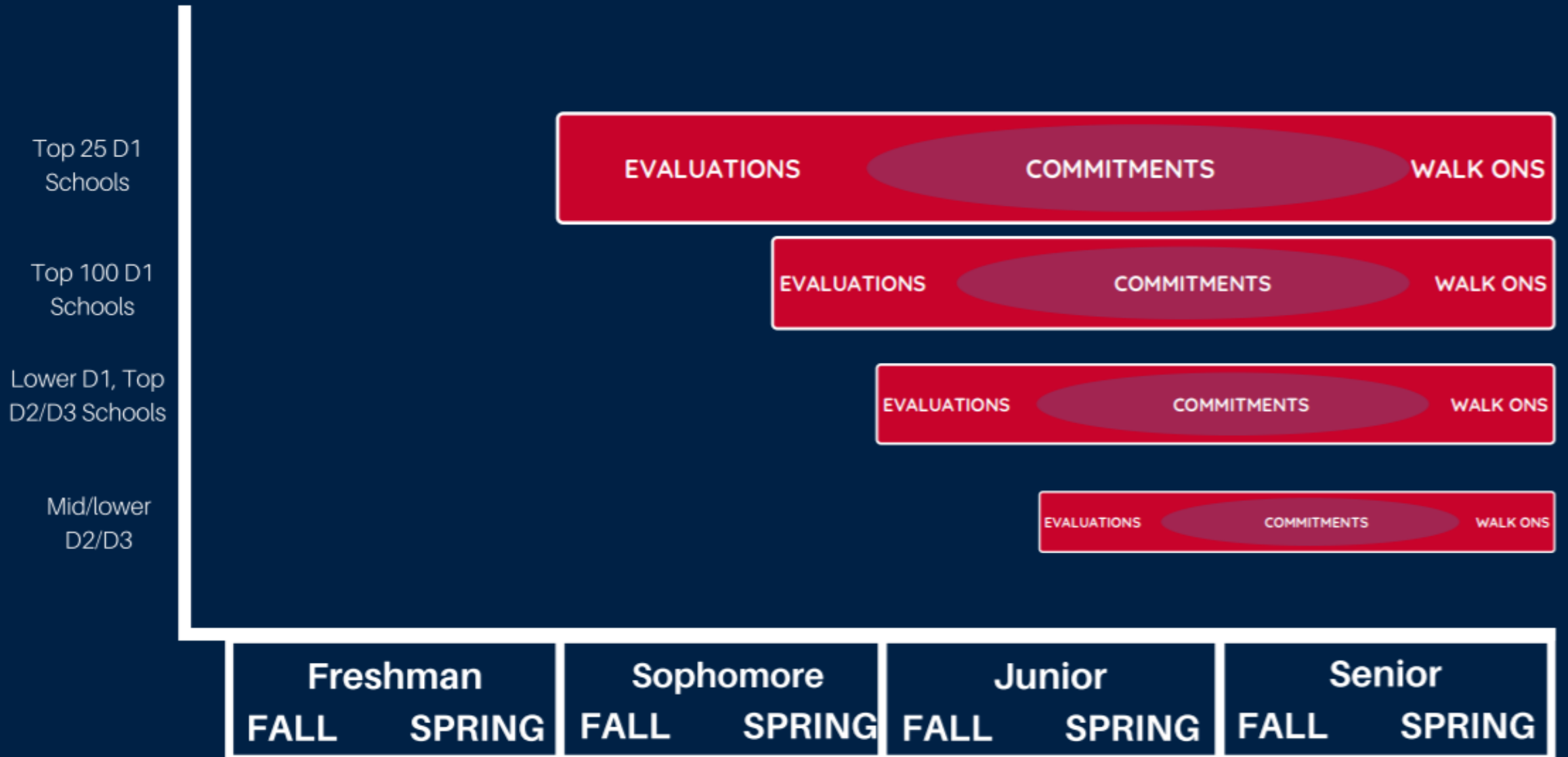
Get to play the game you love

Difficulties of college soccer

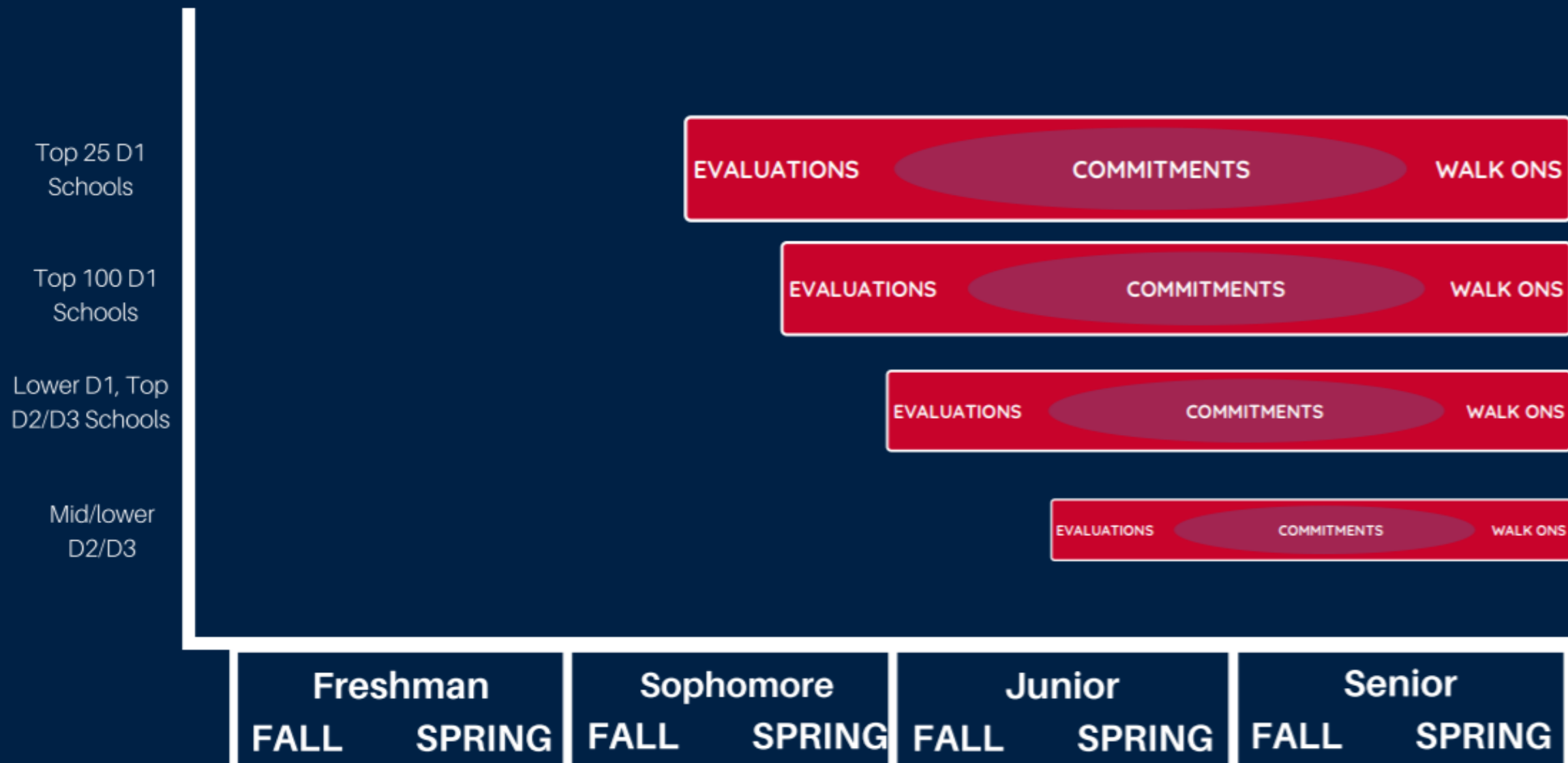


- Sacrifice social life
- Class options become limited
- Loss of class time due to team functions
- Standards- academic, athletic, and social standards
- Accountability
- Sacrifice other hobbies
- It will be your full-time job

Timeline- Girls



Timeline- Boys



TimeLine

Freshman / Sophomores:

- Visit Schools, watch a game, go to camps
- Begin communication with college coaches

Juniors:

- Identify and shorten college list
- Heavy communication with college coaches
- Take SAT/ACT
- Book ID camps at identified colleges

Seniors:

- Heavy communication with college coaches
- Finalize NCAA amateurism
- Sign NLI or verbalize commitment
- Apply to your school of choice and get accepted
- Final preparations for college

Identify and Researching Schools

TARGETING SCHOOLS

SET ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

Consult with HS Guidance office

Use educational matching software

SET ATHLETIC EXPECTATIONS

Consult with club coaches

Utilize soccer specific recruitment software

WATCH COLLEGE SOCCER

CONSIDER RECRUITING TIMELINE

STUDENT-ATHLETE NOT ATHLETE-STUDENT

ASK: IF I GOT INJURED WOULD I BE HAPPY

ASK: HOW DO I RESPOND IF I DONT PLAY

UNDERSTAND YOUR POTENTIAL ROLE

RESEARCHING SCHOOLS

VARIABLES TO CONSIDER

- ACADEMIC LEVEL
- ACADEMIC OFFERINGS
- GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION
- CLIMATE
- SIZE OF SCHOOL
- URBAN VS RURAL
- COST
- LEVEL OF SOCCER PROGRAM
- IMPACT ON THE SOCCER PROGRAM

Communication

You need to self recruit and take the lead on the process

Personalize all emails to “identified” college programs

Send reminders, be persistent, don't be discouraged with response time

NCAA Rules:

D3 Coaches can communicate at any time

D1/ D2 can't actively recruit until you become a junior

What Initial Email Should Include:



INTRODUCTION
PARAGRAPH –
QUICK AND SIMPLE



SOCCER RESUME
AND HIGH LIGHT
VIDEO



HIGH SCHOOL
TRANSCRIPTS



SAT/ ACT SCORE



NCAA AMATEURISM
NUMBER

Scholarships

D3 – not athletic scholarships, but can give out merit scholarships

D1/D2- can give athletic and merit scholarships

- Full scholarship
- Partial scholarship
- Likelihood of getting athletic aid?
- Important to be a great student to maximize aid

DIVISION	WOMEN	MEN
NCAA Division 1	14	9.9
NCAA Division 2	9.9	9
NCAA Division 3	X	X
NAIA	12	12
NJCAA	24	24

GETTING EVALUATED

BEST WAYS TO GET EVALUATED



VIDEO

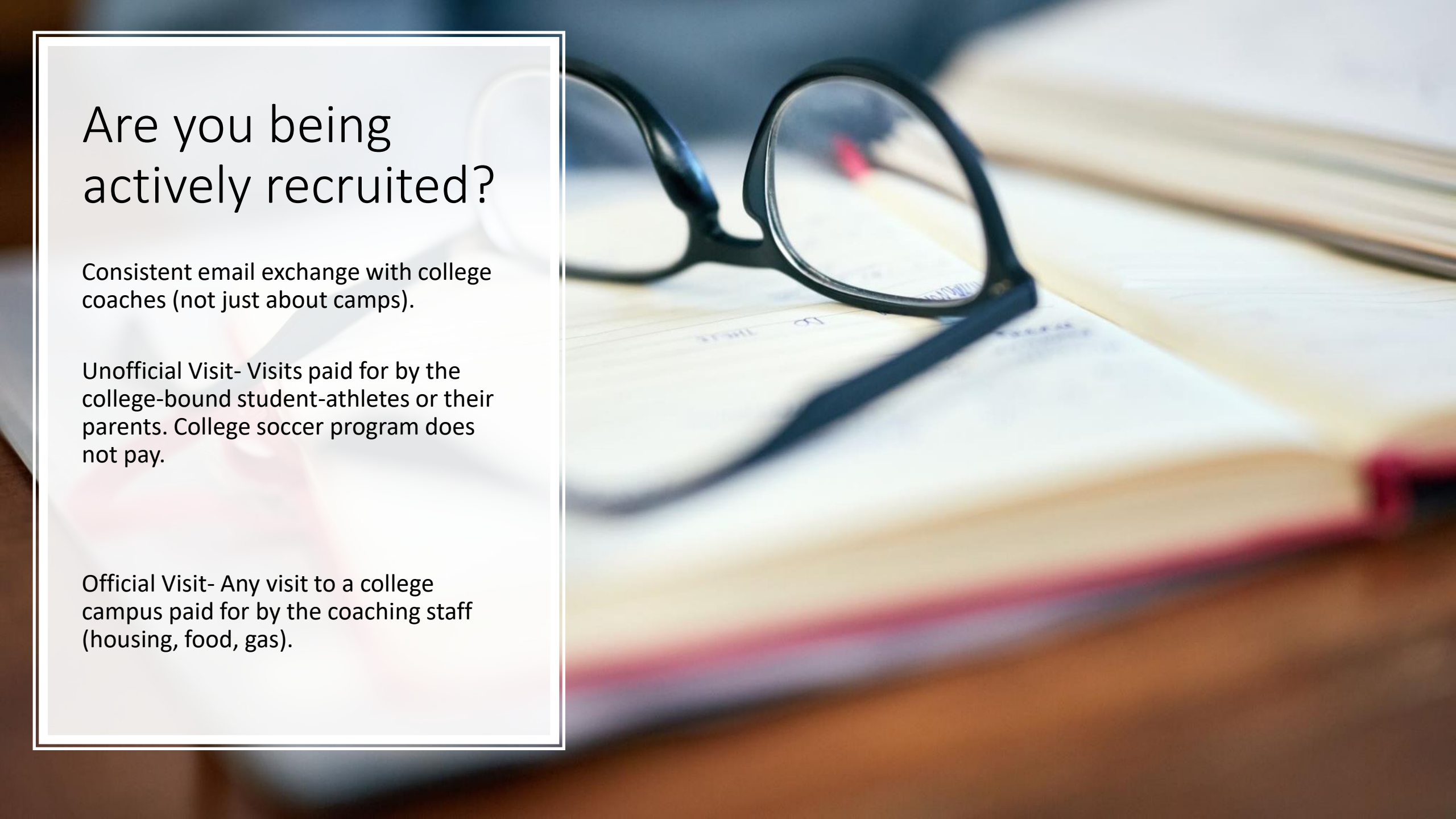
Providing video (highlights and full game) provides the initial selling digitally for coaches and entices the next steps in the evaluation process

ID CLINICS

Attending school specific ID CLINICS (not the mass 3rd party clinics) provide a targeted identification environment with peers interested in that school like v like.

SHOWCASES

Puts players in a competitive environment in a slightly more pressure filled situation than ID Clinic



Are you being actively recruited?

Consistent email exchange with college coaches (not just about camps).

Unofficial Visit- Visits paid for by the college-bound student-athletes or their parents. College soccer program does not pay.

Official Visit- Any visit to a college campus paid for by the coaching staff (housing, food, gas).

UNDERSTANDING OPPORTUNITIES

Matching Expectations to Reality

FOCUS ON
YOUR JOURNEY
NOT WHAT
OTHERS ARE
DOING

ASK HARD
QUESTIONS
AND ASK FOR
FEEDBACK

REJECTION IS
PART OF THE
PROCESS

STUDENT-
ATHLETE
NOT
ATHLETE-
STUDENT

WHEN YOU
COMMIT YOU
COMMIT
WITHOUT ANY
DOUBT