



8 HURDLES WITH THE RECRUITING PROCESS

1 Identifying Who to Trust

The people in your circle should be those who absolutely know you and who will be completely transparent and honest with you. Identifying these people early can help you prepare for when the pressure of the process builds and research becomes even more important.

2 Becoming Enamored Too Early

Avoid picking a college just because they pick you. You have to do a LOT of research to know if a college is the right fit for you. Starting your research early will help.

3 Feeling "Less Than" If It's Not Division I

There are great things about all colleges. Finding your fit could mean going to a college that isn't Division I. Just work to make sure that the colleges you are looking at have the things that are important to you.

4 Social Media

College coaches are paying more attention to student athletes' social media now. Be careful what you post, who you follow, what you like and how you manage your accounts. Know that whatever you post can be found and seen even after you delete it.



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5 Finding Trusted Information

Find people close to you who have gone through this process and see what has worked for them. Listen to the Find My Team athletes who have talked about their process. Most former players are willing to share their experiences. It never hurts to learn from others.

6 Honesty

Honesty with yourself, your parents, your high school, club programs and college coaches is the best way to handle the process. Always be honest and stay true to yourself and your goals. The rest will take care of itself.

7 Access to College Campuses

It pays to visit colleges. You can learn a lot by physically being on campus. There may be obstacles in getting to some campuses, but there are creative ways you can overcome these obstacles. Don't be afraid to ask for help.

8 Getting Help

Seek help from a local college coach, a friend of a friend who went to college or a coach who has players who have gone to college. These are only a few options, but remember there are always ways of finding help. If you still can't find someone, email us at hello@findmyteam.com and we'll be happy to step in.