

# **NCAA NAIA Eligibility Requirements**





## NCAA

### Two Different Divisions

- **Division I**
  - Eastern Washington, University of Washington, Gonzaga, Montana State, University of Montana
- **Division II**
  - Central Washington, Minot State, Northwest Nazarene, MSU-Billings



# Division 1 Eligibility

## Core-Course Requirement

Complete 16 core courses in the following areas:

**ENGLISH**

4 years

**MATH**  
(Algebra I  
or higher)

3 years

**NATURAL/  
PHYSICAL  
SCIENCE**  
(One year of lab,  
if offered)

2 years

**ADDITIONAL  
ENGLISH,  
MATH OR  
NATURAL/  
PHYSICAL  
SCIENCE**

1 year

**SOCIAL  
SCIENCE**

2 years

**ADDITIONAL  
COURSES**  
(Any area listed to  
the left, foreign  
language or  
comparative  
religion/philosophy)

4 years

# D-1 Cont.

## Full Qualifier

- Complete 16 core courses.
  - Ten of the 16 core courses must be completed before the seventh semester (senior year) of high school.
  - Seven of the 10 core courses must be in English, math or science.
- Earn a core-course GPA of at least 2.300.
- Earn the ACT/SAT score matching your core-course GPA on the Division I sliding scale (see back page).
- Graduate high school.

## Academic Redshirt

- Complete 16 core courses.
- Earn a core-course GPA of at least 2.000.
- Earn the ACT/SAT score matching your core-course GPA on the Division I sliding scale (see back page).
- Graduate high school.

## Full Qualifier:

College-bound student-athletes may practice, compete and receive athletics scholarships during their first year of enrollment at an NCAA Division I school.

## Academic Redshirt:

College-bound student-athletes may receive athletics scholarships during their first year of enrollment and may practice during their first regular academic term, but may NOT compete during their first year of enrollment.

## Nonqualifier:

College-bound student-athletes cannot practice, receive athletics scholarships or compete during their first year of enrollment at an NCAA Division I school.



# Test Scores D1

- A combined SAT score is calculated by adding reading and math subscores.
- An ACT sum score is calculated by adding English, Math, Reading and Science subscores.
- If a student takes either test more than once, the best subscore from different tests are used to meet initial-eligibility requirements.

[http://www.ncaa.org/sites/default/files/2017\\_DI\\_Requirements\\_Fact\\_Sheet\\_20170103.pdf](http://www.ncaa.org/sites/default/files/2017_DI_Requirements_Fact_Sheet_20170103.pdf)

DIVISION I FULL QUALIFIER SLIDING SCALE		
CORE GPA	SAT* READING/MATH	ACT SUM
3.550	400	37
3.525	410	38
3.500	420	39
3.475	430	40
3.450	440	41
3.425	450	41
3.400	460	42
3.375	470	42
3.350	480	43
3.325	490	44
3.300	500	44
3.275	510	45
3.250	520	46
3.225	530	46
3.200	540	47
3.175	550	47
3.150	560	48
3.125	570	49
3.100	580	49
3.075	590	50
3.050	600	50
3.025	610	51
3.000	620	52
2.975	630	52
2.950	640	53
2.925	650	53
2.900	660	54
2.875	670	55
2.850	680	56
2.825	690	56
2.800	700	57
2.775	710	58

DIVISION I FULL QUALIFIER SLIDING SCALE		
CORE GPA	SAT* READING/MATH	ACT SUM
2.750	720	59
2.725	730	60
2.700	740	61
2.675	750	61
2.650	760	62
2.625	770	63
2.600	780	64
2.575	790	65
2.550	800	66
2.525	810	67
2.500	820	68
2.475	830	69
2.450	840	70
2.425	850	70
2.400	860	71
2.375	870	72
2.350	880	73
2.325	890	74
2.300	900	75
2.299	910	76
2.275	910	76
2.250	920	77
2.225	930	78
2.200	940	79
2.175	950	80
2.150	960	81
2.125	970	82
2.100	980	83
2.075	990	84
2.050	1000	85
2.025	1010	86
2.000	1020	86

ACADEMIC REDSHIRT

<div>ENGLISH</div> <div>4 years</div>	<div>MATH (Algebra I or higher)</div> <div>3 years</div>	<div>NATURAL/ PHYSICAL SCIENCE (One year of lab, if offered)</div> <div>2 years</div>	<div>ADDITIONAL ENGLISH, MATH OR NATURAL/ PHYSICAL SCIENCE</div> <div>1 year</div>	<div>SOCIAL SCIENCE</div> <div>2 years</div>	<div>ADDITIONAL COURSES (Any area listed to the left, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy)</div> <div>4 years</div>
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# Find your High School's Approved Core Course List

[https://web3.ncaa.org/hsportal/exec/hsAction  
?hsActionSubmit=searchHighSchool](https://web3.ncaa.org/hsportal/exec/hsAction?hsActionSubmit=searchHighSchool)



# Division 2 Eligibility

## Core-Course Requirement

Complete 16 core courses in the following areas:

**ENGLISH**

3 years

**MATH**  
(Algebra I  
or higher)

2 years

**NATURAL/  
PHYSICAL  
SCIENCE**  
(including one  
year of lab science,  
if offered)

2 years

**SOCIAL  
SCIENCE**

2 years

**ADDITIONAL**  
(English, math, or  
natural/physical  
science)

3 years

**ADDITIONAL**  
(English, math,  
natural/physical  
science, social  
science, foreign  
language, compar-  
ative religion  
or philosophy)

4 years



## D-2 Cont.

### Full Qualifier

- Complete 16 core courses.
- Earn a core-course GPA of at least 2.200.
- Earn the ACT/SAT score matching your core-course GPA on the Division II full qualifier sliding scale (see back page).
- Graduate high school.

### Partial Qualifier

- Complete 16 core courses.
- Earn a core-course GPA of at least 2.000.
- Earn the ACT/SAT score matching your core-course GPA on the Division II partial qualifier sliding scale (see back page).
- Graduate high school.

### Full Qualifier:

College-bound student-athletes may practice, compete and receive athletics scholarships during their first year of enrollment at an NCAA Division II school.

### Partial Qualifier:

College-bound student-athletes may receive athletics scholarships during their first year of enrollment and may practice during their first regular academic term, but may NOT compete during their first year of enrollment.

### Nonqualifier:

College-bound student-athletes may not practice, compete or receive athletics scholarships during their first year of enrollment at an NCAA Division II school.

# Test Scores D2

- A combined SAT score is calculated by adding reading and math subscores.
- An ACT sum score is calculated by adding English, Math, Reading and Science subscores.
- If a student takes either test more than once, the best subscore from different tests are used to meet initial-eligibility requirements.

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DIVISION II FULL QUALIFIER SLIDING SCALE		
USE FOR DIVISION II BEGINNING AUGUST 2018		
CORE GPA	SAT* READING/MATH	ACT SUM
3.300 & above	400	37
3.275	410	38
3.250	420	39
3.225	430	40
3.200	440	41
3.175	450	41
3.150	460	42
3.125	470	42
3.100	480	43
3.075	490	44
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2.525	710	58
2.500	720	59
2.475	730	60
2.450	740	61
2.425	750	61
2.400	760	62
2.375	770	63

DIVISION II PARTIAL QUALIFIER SLIDING SCALE		
USE FOR DIVISION II BEGINNING AUGUST 2018		
CORE GPA	SAT* READING/MATH	ACT SUM
3.050 & above	400	37
3.025	410	38
3.000	420	39
2.975	430	40
2.950	440	41
2.925	450	41
2.900	460	42
2.875	470	42
2.850	480	43
2.825	490	44
2.800	500	44
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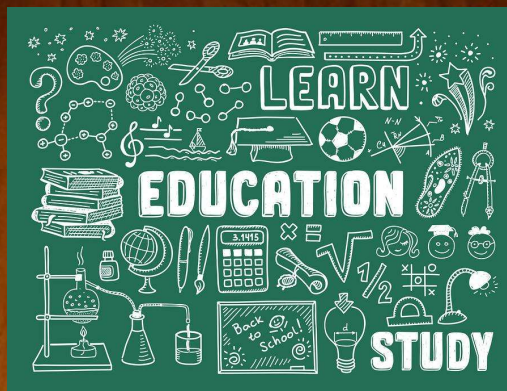
# What does that look like at Helena High?

- Freshman Year

- English I, Math, Earth Science, World Cultures, PE, 2 Electives

- Junior Year

- English III, Math, Science, US History, 2-3 Electives



- Sophomore Year

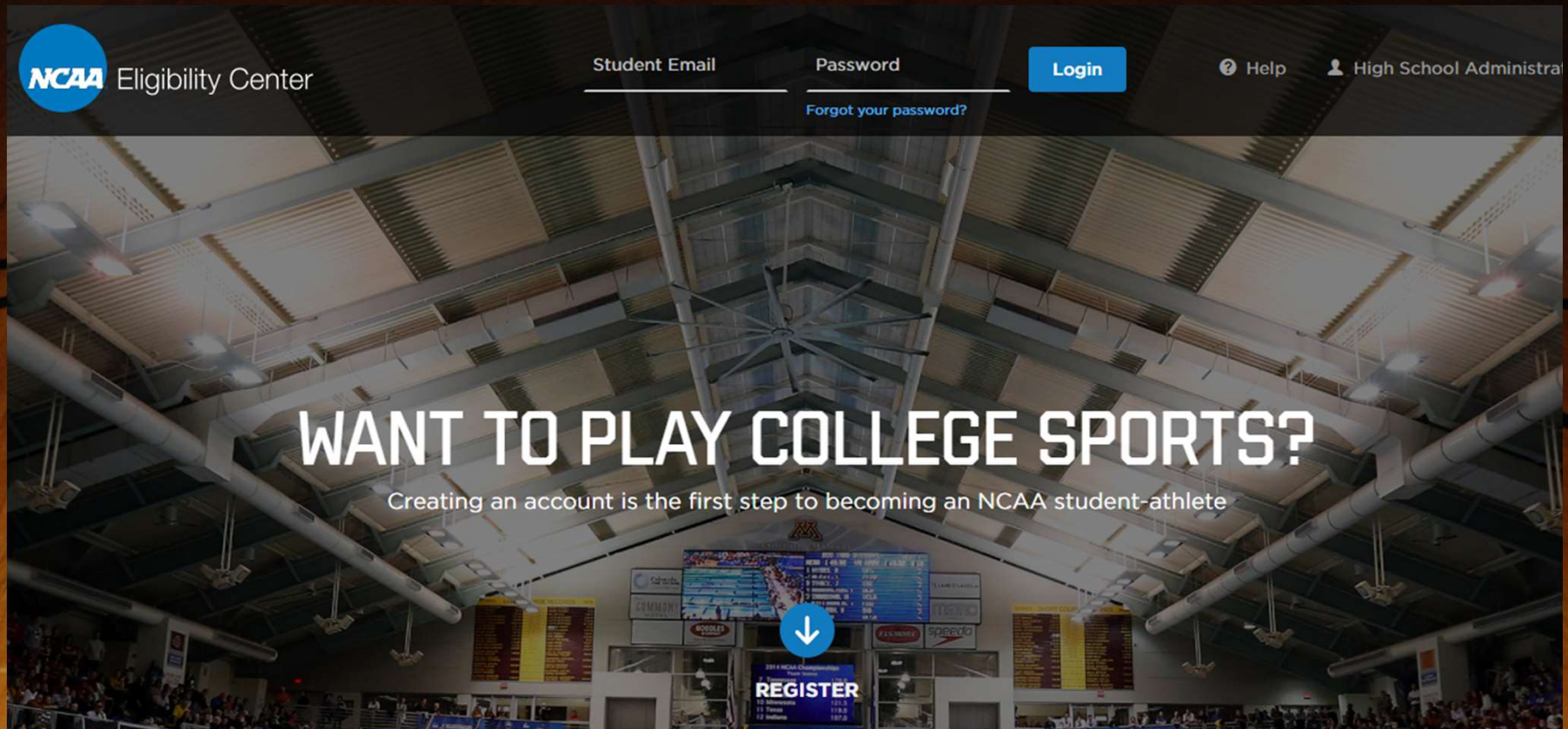
- English II, Math, Biology, PE/Health, 3 Electives

- Senior Year

- English IV, Math/Science, US Government, 2-3 Electives



# Register with NCAA Eligibility



<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>





## NAIA

- Carroll College
- Montana Tech
- UM-Western
- MSU-Northern
- University of Providence
- Eastern Oregon
- Southern Oregon

# NAIA Eligibility

- 1- Graduate from an accredited High School
- 2- Meet 2 of the 3 following requirements.
  - \*\*If entering as a Freshman and you do not meet 2 of the 3, you cannot participate in athletics for the first full year of attendance.

## MUST MEET TWO OF THE THREE

1. TEST SCORE REQUIREMENT	2. HIGH SCHOOL GPA REQUIREMENT	3. CLASS RANK REQUIREMENT
Achieve a minimum of 16 on the ACT or 860 on the SAT.	Achieve a minimum overall high school grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.	Graduate in the top half of your high school class.
Tests must be taken on a national testing date; score must be achieved on a single test. The SAT must be achieved on the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing & Math section only; the Writing score cannot be used. You must meet the score requirement on a test date prior to the start of the term in which you intend to participate in athletics.  *These minimum ACT and SAT score are in place for 2017-18 and are subject to change moving forward.	The NAIA accepts the grade point average determined by the high school, provided it is recorded and awarded in the same manner as for every other student at the school.	If a student's class rank does not appear on the transcript, a signed letter from the principal or headmaster, vice principal or guidance counselor written on the school's letterhead and with the school's official seal, stating the student's final class rank position or percent may be submitted.



# Register with NAIA Eligibility



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 header "THE NAIA ELIGIBILITY CENTER" and social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, and a NAIA Blog. A navigation bar below the header lists "Students", "Parents & Coaches", "High School Administrators", and "NAIA Members". On the top right 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 banner features a photo of a softball player in a white and blue uniform, with the large text "PLAYNAIA" and the tagline "Your college sports experience starts here." A yellow sign in the background of the banner says "Register now to Play!". At the bottom, there are three colored boxes: a blue box titled "WHAT IS THE ELIGIBILITY CENTER?" with a description and a red arrow; a yellow box titled "REGISTER TO PLAY" with a photo of a woman and a description; and a yellow box titled "ARE YOU AN ADMINISTRATOR?" with a description and a red arrow.

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**WHAT IS THE ELIGIBILITY CENTER?**

Discover the academic and athletics opportunities offered at an NAIA school. 

**REGISTER TO PLAY**

Register to have your eligibility determined to play in the NAIA! 

**ARE YOU AN ADMINISTRATOR?**

High school administrators: Create a school profile to help students through the process. 

<https://www.playnaia.org/eligibility-center>