How to get an Athletic Scholarship

Proactive and Plan

Athletic Scholarships are awarded by coaches based on their program's needs.

Not your needs!!!

Create a Target-list of School

Make a list of 10 schools that you would like to attend.

Take the following into consideration:

- Your academic level
- Your athletic level
- Your location preference

Set your goals

- Know the discipline that you want to study.
- Have clear goals and aspirations set.
- Coaches need to see that you are serious and have a plan in place.

 Gather all information about school you want to attend.

Contact Information

- School's location
- Coach's e-mail and telephone number.
- Contact the coach as soon as you know when you want to begin your Freshman year.

Provide Information to Coaches

- Email your resume
- ➤ Make a professional resume
- > Include transcripts and test scores
- Video....if you have high quality videos include it or the links
- > Include schedules
- Phone if asked by the coach
- Have a professional email address:
 <u>humptydumpty@yahoo.com</u> is not a great address

Communicate with the Coach

- Emails: have a professional writing style. Be sure to have your work edited. Your writing style can leave a lasting opinion on the reader.
- Fill out Athletic Questionnaire/Recruit's Questionnaire on the school's Athletic Website

Learn the NCAA Rules and Regulations

- Learn the Academic Requirements of the Clearinghouse and the specific institution
- 16 Core Credits
- Do not let a coach or advisor tell you that you can take easy courses and still receive an athletic scholarship.
- Learn how contact may be made
- Learn how visits can be arranged

Start the Process Early

- Make a plan
- Don't be afraid to start planning in Grade 9
- By Grade 10 you should have statistics and grades ready to be sent to Coaches
- By Grade 12, you will be able to show how your grades have improved.
- Your chances of success increase exponentially with higher grades

Know who will recommend you

Provide multiple referees: athletic and academic

Nationally Recognized Tests

- SAT Reasoning Test
 offered several times a year
 <u>www.collegeboard.com</u>
- ACT
 offered several times a year
 www.actstudent.org
- Check your school's admission requirement to decide which test to write.