

# COLLEGE RECRUITING TIMELINE "BY AGE & YEAR"

## AGES 13-14-15

- Focus on becoming the best player you can be by training hard year-round on your baseball techniques, learning how to be a team player, and at the same time training to get a baseball physique that creates explosive power and allows the athlete to max out his speed and quickness. Great baseball players eventually have great baseball techniques, a great baseball body, a great baseball mind, and an exceptional desire to drive their tea to victory. They have a fearlessness that is off the charts! These things can only be acquired by focused, supervised workouts over a long period of time. Parents must "Cut the Cord!"
- Visit some D1 baseball schools, watch college baseball, and learn as much about college baseball as you can.
- Work hard on your schoolwork right from the beginning as a HS freshman. The better the marks, the more doors open to you. Don not wait until your junior and senior year to apply yourself.
- Become an expert on planning, goal setting, self-evaluation, and adjustment. Write down your targets, measure your progress, and keep a daily logbook. Do not confuse activity with accomplishment.
- Apply your goal-setting skills to everything you do.
- Play in the best events you are ready for. Arsenal. Perfect Game. PBR.
- Instructional Camps with the HD in your specialty.
- Create a presence and a video on online.

### SOPHOMORE YEAR

- Get the SPORTS SOURCE book.
- Identify colleges of interest, as many as 75 to 100.
- Write an intro-letter to college coaches.
- Let college coaches know what major showcase events and tournaments you will be attending in the upcoming season. Piggy-back summer tournaments with visits to surrounding colleges that interest you.
- Identify special scholarships at various schools you have interest in. Some may offer tuition scholarships for certain ethnic groups or majors, or minority grants, scholarships for art, music, and other special talents, as well as grants for special needs students and athletes who are classified as having 'learning disabilities." There are always President's scholarships and such for students of high achievement!
- Meet with HS guidance counselor, get transcript, and apply to the NCAA Clearinghouse.
- SATs and SAT courses if needed.
- Update your website and video.

#### **JUNIOR YEAR**

- Narrow your targeted schools to 15 Favorites and 15 Fallbacks.
- Continue letter-writing.
- Update your online account and video.
- Visit schools on your lists of interest.

#### **SENIOR YEAR**

- Continue letter-writing.
- Do day visits to colleges of interest and save paid visits to go to far-away places.
- In the fall, focus on participation in showcase and tournament events as directed.
- Apply to colleges. Coach will often get the fee waived.

#### **AFTER SIGNING**

• Write and thank every college coach that wrote or showed any interest in you.

