

General Long Snappers Recruiting Information

- Size of a collegiate Long Snapper will vary by coach preference and their special teams (i.e. a bigger sized kid for schools that require a snapper to block after snapping vs. a taller, quicker long snapper for schools that want their athlete to be the first one down the field).
- Snap time (moment a long snapper moves the ball to when the punter catches it) should be .75 or better.
- D1 programs prioritize a snap time that is .75 or better. Though, slower but more consistent snappers are also prioritized in the recruiting process. Comparing 2 long snappers, if 1 snaps a .7 and the other snaps a .78 but is more accurate, the coach will take him every time.
- For more information, visit the Long Snapping Player Reference Page:
<https://longsnap.com/division-one-college-snappers/>

Highlight Video Tips

- Include an intro with your name, state, height, weight, grad year, GPA and contact info.
- You should have footage of you snapping with shoulder pads on.
- Provide continuous tape with 10 straight snaps for punt and 10 straight snaps for field goals/point after touchdown to demonstrate consistency.
- Include footage of you blocking and running down field, especially if you're applying to a school with a blocking scheme. Show them your footwork going up against another player.
- If you are looking at programs with a scheme that allows you to snap and run, make sure you can get a wide angle of you running 40 yards down field and breaking down for a tackle.
- Length of film should not be more than five minutes long.

Additional Recruiting Tips to Know

- Jumpstart your game plan to get recruited to play in college by focusing on creating highlight film, attending college camps and position specific camps, and researching/generating a list of target schools.
- Being proactive and getting on a coach's radar is key. Sending film and an introductory email is a great start.
- Unless you are ranked in the top 10 or position as the number 1-20 long snapper in the country, recruiting is going to start later in high school.
- Going to college camps should be your main focus during sophomore and junior summers.
- College Special teams' camps are a great way to not only see the campus, but also snap in front of college coaches.
- Going to big D1 Special Teams camps will give the snapper an opportunity to snap in front of smaller coaches, since bigger schools invite coaches from mid-level schools in the area to attend.
- Attend sport-specific camps (such as Rubio Long Snapping Camps) and work with knowledgeable staff.

For an overview of Football recruiting guidelines please see the backside of this sheet.

Football Recruiting Calendar

Dead period: No in-person contact with coaches; coaches and recruits can communicate via all digital communication channels

- **Division 1 FBS:** Aug. 1–31, 2020; Dec. 14, 2020 – Jan. 14, 2021; Feb. 1–28, 2021; June 28 – July 24, 2021
- **Division 1 FCS:** Aug. 1–31, 2020; Dec. 14, 2020 – Jan. 14, 2021; Feb. 1–4, 2021
- **Division 2:** Dec. 14 (7 am) – Dec. 16 (7 am), 2020; Jan. 11–13, 2021; Feb. 1 (7 am) – Feb. 3 (7 am), 2021

Quiet period: Talk to college coaches on their campus but no in-person contact off the college campus

- **Division 1 FBS:** Sept. 1 – Nov. 28, 2020; Dec. 13, 2020; Jan. 8–10, 2021 (only National Service Academies); Jan. 31, 2021; March 1 – April 14, 2021; All days in April & May not used for an athletic or academic evaluation; June 1–27, 2021; July 25 – July 31, 2021
- **Division 1 FCS:** Sept. 1 – Nov. 28, 2020; Dec. 13, 2020; Jan. 31, 2021; Feb. 5 – April 14, 2021; June 1 – July 31, 2021

- **Division 2:** June 1 – start of recruit's first scheduled football practice; March 9 – May 31, 2021 (except for evaluation period dates)

Evaluation period: Coaches can watch a game/practice or visit a recruit's school but no in-person communication off the college campus

- **Division 1 FBS and FCS:** Coaches have 42 evaluation dates during Sept., Oct., & Nov.; April 15 – May 31, 2021 (except for Memorial Day and Sundays)
- **Division 2:** During the recruit's football season, starting with the first scheduled practice; Nov. 1–30, 2020; April 15 – May 31, 2021 (four weeks designated by school as an evaluation period, excluding Memorial Day and Sundays)

Contact period: All communication is fair game

- **Division 1 FBS and FCS:** Nov. 29, 2020 – Dec. 12, 2020; Dec. 13–19, 2020 (national service academies only); Jan. 15–30, 2021; During these periods recruit can have 6 in-person, off-campus contacts with college coaches, can't meet with a coach more than once/week
- **Division 2:** Dec. 1, 2020 – March 8, 2021 (except for dead period dates)

Football Recruiting Rules

Type of contact	Division 1	Division 2	Division 3
General recruiting materials	Any time	Any time	Any time
Digital communications	Sept. 1 of junior year	June 15 before junior year	Any time
Calls from college coaches	April 15 - May 31 of junior year: coaches can call athletes one time; additional calls can be made after Sept. 1 of senior year	June 15 before junior year	Any time
Official visits	Junior year from April 1 - Sunday before last Wednesday in June: athletes can take one official visit; more visits can be taken senior year	June 15 before junior year	Any time
Off-campus contact	July 1 before senior year	June 15 before junior year	Any time
Evaluations	Senior year of high school: one in the fall, two in the spring between April 15 - May 31	June 15 before junior year	Any time

College Football Stats

Division	Number of teams	Scholarship limit per team
NCAA 1 - FBS	130	85
NCAA 1 - FCS	130	63
NCAA 2	162	36
NCAA 3	250	-
NAIA	96	24
NJCAA	65	85