

Imperial Soccer Club

College Timelines

3/19/2024



Seniors (Current 2024 Grad Year)

What you should be doing:

- Going for official visits
- Deciding to make an official commitment
- Receiving offers on college roster

What coaches are doing:

- Finalizing roster spots
- Evaluating players in games who are committed or in consideration
- Allotting for future roster spots and scholarships for the upcoming senior and junior classes
- Scholarship offers and acceptance (National Letter of Intent)

Juniors (Current 2025 Grad Year)

What you should be doing:

- Conversations with coaches (phone calls, texts, in person interaction)
- ID camps and showcase events for schools on your list
- Unofficial visits to campuses
- Potential verbal commitments
- Narrowing down your list to more serious consideration based on your interest, and interaction and conversations with the coaching staff.
- NCAA Clearinghouse Number for D1 and D2 schools

What coaches are doing:

- Personal conversations (phone calls and texts)
- Invitations to campus and ID camps
- Offering roster spots (verbal commitments)
- Hosting campus visits
- Scholarship offers (verbal)

Sophomores (Current 2026 Grad Year)

What you should be doing:

- Getting together and finalizing a target list of schools and game plan (location, division level)
- Sending out e-mails to coaches to start interaction and to get on their prospect list with highlight film and interest
- Going to ID camps and showcase events (you can have direct conversation at in person events)
- ****Direct contact (phone calls and texts) can happen June 15th after your sophomore year, the summer before going into your junior year of high school****

What coaches are doing:

- Putting together prospect lists for camp invites before contact dates are open
- Finalizing recruiting classes to reach out to for direct contact and unofficial visit dates
- Offering roster spots for verbal commitments (mostly at the Division 1 level)

8th grade and Freshman (Current 2028 and 2027)

What you should be doing:

- Putting together a list of schools that you are interested in, taking into account location, division level, public or private.
- Sending out introductory emails to coaches on that list, doing the same before any tournaments if coaches are present as well as ID camps
- Putting together a highlight reel included in your email, so coaches have an idea of your skill set

What coaches can be doing:

- Putting together prospect lists of student-athletes that are interested in their program or that they have identified
- Reaching out to club coaches or contact to have interaction (YOU can call coaches, they can NOT reach directly out to you)
- The NCAA outlines that generic contact in form of questionnaires and camp invites can happen as early as the 8th grade.