

What's Important If I Plan To Play College Soccer?

1. Club: Find a program which has a good reputation for developing players and participates in a number of state, regional, and national tournaments.
2. ODP: The Olympic Development Program can be important part of pursuing a college soccer career. Give yourself the most exposure you can by attending ODP camps and having a chance to be on a Regional or National team. This is where many of the top Division I Players are recruited.
3. Camps: During your high school years choose some schools that you might be interested in or a camp that a coach you are interested in having see you will be participating.
4. High School: The level of high school programs varies greatly. Include a copy of your high school schedule with other information you send to college coaches if you believe that to be a good forum to showcase your talent.

If Pursuing a Soccer Scholarship

1. Evaluate early
2. Market yourself
 - a. A one page resume is best
 - b. Schedule that includes any major tourneys (this enables a coach to see you in more than one game situation)
3. Video can help, but some coaches do not take it seriously (depending on school/location)

If Pursuing a Walk-On Status

1. Find a match academically
2. Find realistic soccer level match
3. Write coach that you want to pursue walk-on possibility
4. Have a coach call before preseason that will be a good reference
5. Be in great shape so that you can show your best
6. Keep in mind, some walk-ons have become great players