

# Player's Choice

Opening College Doors for Today's High School Athletes

## *Individual Player Registration*

### *Girls' College Bound Basketball Education, Evaluation & Exposure Shootout*

Girls - Grades 9 to 12

**DII, DIII, JUCO, & NAIA College Coaches and Local & National College Recruiting Services will be invited  
(Subject to Recruiting Regulations)**



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# Player's Choice Mission

## WHO ARE WE:

Player's Choice staff is made up of former players, coaches, recruiting and marketing professionals who are passionate about the game of women's basketball. We are all committed to helping women succeed from the classroom to the court, to the board room. We are just like you, only more experienced in the recruiting process and willing to share that experience with you. If you do not have a recruiting plan then you are just hoping to get recruited. Let us help.

## OUR COMMITMENT:

Player's Choice has consistently hosted some of the largest, most innovative, highly organized, best attended shootouts and showcases in the Northeast. We continue to draw the attention of college coaches and players from throughout the eastern seaboard. Player's Choice is committed to helping young women to achieve their dreams of playing basketball in college. Every player who attends one of our events can contact us throughout the year to assist them with the recruiting process. Our staff has teaching, coaching, college admissions, financial aid and college planning experience. Enrollment in Player's Choice Events are limited to ensure maximum exposure for each player in attendance. We strive to provide a complete recruiting experience.

## OUR COACHING STAFF:

Are you being coached on the day of the shootout by kids, players, moms, dads or the janitors? That will not be the situation at Player's Choice Shootouts. Player's Choice coaches will provide EVERY player with instruction and guidance and encouragement throughout the event. Player's Choice Girls Exposure and Evaluation Basketball Shootouts are designed to provide maximum exposure in a competitive environment for each and every player in every game. On the day of the event you will be coached by some of the best coaches to coach at top high schools, colleges, and major AAU programs. Several of our coaches have international playing and coaching experience. Our coaches have extensive coaching resumes. They will emphasize team play. At the same time they will instruct each player on how to showcase their abilities in order to be best evaluated by the College Coaches and Scouts. Getting recruited to play at the next level is much more than just scoring points.

## PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:

All High School aged players are eligible to participate in the Player's Choice Individual Shootout. Select 8<sup>th</sup> graders are eligible to participate in the Shootout with the prior approval of the Player's Choice staff. If you have any question on Eligibility please call the Player's Choice prior to registering. No individual is registered in any event until we have received their completed Personal Player's College Profile, their Shootout Registration request and the Registration Fee payment. These events usually sell out early. It is important that you complete/update your Player Profile and register on line ASAP.

## ACADEMIC ALL AMERICAN ATHLETE:

We at Player's Choice are committed to education as well as athletics. Players Choice Academic All American designation draws College Coaches from all over the country, whose admissions policy requires student athletes to have above average test scores to gain admissions to their institutions. We recognize all athletes with a minimum combined SAT score of 1700 out of 2400 or a minimum combined PSAT score of 170 out of 240 or a minimum ACT score of 27 out of 36 or be a current member of the National Honor Society as *Player's Choice Academic All American Athletes*. Players who qualify as Players Choice Academic All Americans will be awarded Gold Basketball Shorts with the Player's Choice Academic All American Logo. The shorts have become synonymous with high academic student athletes and are highly recognized by college coaches. At the Shootout the gold shorts help College Coaches and Scouts to easily identify those players with above average academic accomplishments. The Players Choice Academic All American status will help you in the recruiting process. You can now "UPLOAD" Written Verification of SAT scores, PSAT scores, ACT scores or National Honor Society Membership directly to your Personal Player's College Profile.

## IT'S THE PLAYER'S CHOICE:

As a high school age players, you are about to make one of the most important choices of your life. You are going to choose where you will go to college and where you will continue to play basketball! You must get involved in the process and that process starts today. Do not let other people make your choice for you. It is not the coach's choice. It is the *Player's Choice*. Ultimately it is the choices that you make today which will affect you on and off the court tomorrow and for the rest of your life. Make your choice wisely.



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## EXPOSURE:

Congratulations, you have taken the first step by attending a college shootout. The more you play in front of college coaches, the more they get to see how talented you are. Just playing your regular school schedule is not enough to be seen by coaches. Understand the recruiting calendar! There are specific times that College Coaches can contact you. Be aware of when this is. Start now getting in touch with College Coaches

## THE RECRUITING PROCESS:

The recruiting process is misunderstood by many high school athletes and their parents. They are under the impression that they need to wait for the College Coach to find them. If you want to be a basketball recruit you can't sit back and "WAIT" for the letters to come in or for the phone to ring. You must understand the process yourself! Do not wait until your junior or senior year to learn about the college basketball recruiting process. Start as early as your freshman year or sooner investigating the recruiting process.

## EDUCATION:

Only a small percent of college basketball athletes receive athletic scholarships that pay for all of their tuition, room & board, and books (Full Scholarship). Players and parents must become knowledgeable about academic scholarships, financial aid scholarships, corporate/private scholarships and the Personal Default Scholarship. The Personal Default Scholarship is what you and your family will pay from current income or savings to attend college. The more you know and the more you plan the lower your Personal Default Scholarship can be.

## EVALUATION:

As potential college recruit you will be evaluated on and off the court. You will not always be aware of who is evaluating you. Best to act like someone is always around. Your verbal and non verbal actions will be evaluated. How you interact with teammates, coaches and officials will be evaluated. Be very careful of the things you post and write on social media sites, it is being evaluated.

## WHAT MAKES THE PLAYER:

Did one person raise you? Did one person coach you? Did one person teach you? Did one person mentor you? We all know that the answer to each of these questions is no. You are an individual and you are unique. That is because you are a reflection of all of the people that have ever been part of your academic, athletic, & spiritual life. Many people have helped you to become the person and the athlete you are today. Players Choice does not replace all of these wonderful people. Players Choice wants to join existing recruiting team. Player's Choice looks forward to working with you and helping you and your advisors with the recruiting process.

## PLAYER'S CHOICE ALUMNI:

You are the most important player. You are the player who is being recruited; not all of the players who have come before you. You are the one who must perform to your maximum potential every time you step foot on the court. You are the one who must perform to your maximum potential every time you step foot in the classroom. We could tell you all about the successes we have had in getting all of the players who came before you to play in college. There are many hundreds of players who have participated in Players Choice events who have or are playing at every level of college basketball. There are many hundreds of players who have participated in Player's Choice events who are or have been awarded full or partial scholarships and assistance with their college tuition. Player's Choice can publish an impressive list of players who have participated in Player's Choice events who are now coaching at every level of women's college basketball. All of those players's success will not get you recruited. Ultimately it is the choices that you make today that will determine the success that you have in the recruiting process. Make your recruiting choices wisely.



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# Recruiting

## COLLEGE COACHES:

College Coaches need to hear about you, they need to read about you and they need to see you in person in order to evaluate you. The more times each season a College Coach hears about you, reads about you and sees you play, the better your chances are of being recruited by the right college. You need to start the recruiting process early. 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade is not too early. This is a journey that will take time to complete. The College Coach needs to know that you are interested in their program and their school. Getting on campus early through an unofficial visit is a great way to get in front of a college coach. It give you an opportunity to meet the coach, ask questions and let them know about yourself. Coaches' care about their players and recruit players they enjoy having around. The College Coach needs to know that you can help them win and that you will graduate. The easiest way for them to know these things is for you to tell them about you and tell them often. Keep in touch until the coach tells you "NO" I am not looking to recruit you or you say YES you want to play for them.

DI, DII, DIII, NAIA 1, NAIA 2 and JUCO College Coaches and recruiters receive information about the players and teams at Player's Choice events in one or more of the following ways (subject to recruiting regulations):

- They will receive a Player's Event Invitation.
- They will receive a High School Coaches' Event Invitation
- They will receive an AAU Coaches' Event Invitation
- They will come in person and evaluate the players.
- They will receive a player evaluation profile.
- They will receive a post event player evaluation recruiting report.
- They will receive a video of the event.

No shootout or showcase can promise you which coaches will be at an event to evaluate you. Every coach today is suffering from reduced recruiting budgets and reduced staff. Coaches are going to go where the players are that they know about. Last season more than 300 college coaches evaluated players who participated in Player's Choice events.

## HOPING OR PLANNING:

Do you register early for showcases and shootouts? Do you send Player Event Invitations to your target list of college coaches at least 3 weeks before each event to let them know where you are going to be playing? Do you have a formal Player Recruiting Plan? Do you have a Recruiting Monitoring Program? You can increase the chances of being recruited by the right college if you stop hoping to be recruited and start planning on being recruited.

## REGISTRATION:

Player's who want to participate must register on the Player's Choice web site. After the player is registered, they must also complete or update their player profile. The final step to is to opt-in to participate and pay the registration fee.

## SCHEDULE:

The schedule for each shootout will be posted on the website. Parents/guardians are welcome to attend all of the events of the day including the Recruiting Process Meeting. There will be no more than 10 players assigned to each team. Each team will play 3 games. There will be a 1 or 2 game layoff between games.

## CONTACT:

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# Player's Choice College Bound Basketball Shootout Registration

## SHOOTOUT DATES & LOCATIONS:

To find out the dates and locations for upcoming Players Choice Shootouts go to our web site: [www.playerschoice1.com](http://www.playerschoice1.com) and click on the "EVENTS" Tab, then click on the "INDIVIDUAL SHOOTOUTS" tab.

## CLUB CODE

A club who is sending 5 or more players to a shootout will qualify for a club Multi Player Discount. In order to receive the club discount the club must contact Players Choice to receive their personal club code. The club code must appear on the registration form and be submitted by the EARLY REGISTRATION SIGNING DEADLINE

## EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNT

There is a \$15.00 discount for players who register, pay and complete/update their Player Profile by the EARLY REGISTRATION SIGNING DEADLINE

## DISCOUNT POLICY:

In order for a player to qualify for Early Registration Signing discount and/or the club multi player discount Player's Choice must receive the completed web based player profile, a completed registration form and the total registration fee no later than by the EARLY REGISTRATION SIGNING DEADLINE. We will close registration prior to the posted deadlines if we reach our maximum capacity.

## WHAT DO YOU BRING

A Player's Choice jersey with a unique 3 digit number will be issued to each player. This number identifies who you are and your year of graduation. If you are an Academic All American you will be given the Gold Basketball Shorts with the Player's Choice Academic All American logo. All others will need to bring their own basketball shorts. You will also need to bring your sneakers and a basketball to warm up with.

## PLAYER PROFILE:

All individual players must complete or update (for returning players) their On-Line "Player Profile" prior to registering for any Individual Shootout. You must provide complete, accurate, and current information. There is no fee to establish the Player Profile and it will be used to assist Player's Choice & the College Coaches in the recruiting process. If a player wants to get recruited to play in college, they must provide complete, accurate, and current information. This information will be provided to the college coaches in the [College Coaches Player Guide](#).

## REGISTRATION:

Once the player profile has been established or updated (for returning player) the player must register for the event through the On-line registration system or by mail. Payment may be made on the web site by credit card or my mailing in a check. The mail in registration form is attached. However, it may not reach our office prior to the registration deadline.

## SCHEDULE:

On the day of the event, plan on arriving on time.

8:00 AM:	Coaches Meeting
8:00 AM:	Player Check-In
9:00 AM:	Players/Parent General Meeting
9:40 AM:	Meet Your Coaches
9:50 AM:	Player Warm Ups
10:00 AM:	First Games Of The Day Begin
4:00 PM:	Last Game of the day ends

Parents/guardians are welcome to attend all of the events of the day including the Recruiting Process Meeting. There will be no more than 10 players assigned to each team. Each team will play 3 games. There will be a 1 or 2 game layoff between games. Player's who do not arrive by the end of the registration period risk losing their spot on a team.



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# Important Registration Information

Payment of the registration fee alone will not register you for Players Choice Shootouts. You are not registered in any Players Choice Shootout until you have completed the following requirements:

- Completed/Update your personal web based Player Profile at: [www.playerschoice1.com](http://www.playerschoice1.com). We must have academic information; at a minimum we must have your official GPA and Class Rank if your school ranks their students. This information can be obtained from your guidance counselor.
- Opt in to the Shootout(s) you are going to attend.
- Pay the Registration Fee on line via Pay Pal
- Upload to your Personal Player Profile your Academic All American credentials, if applying for Academic All American Status.
- Check you On-Line status to be sure that your status has been changed from “PENDING” to “COMPLETE”

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**REFUNDS:** will be permitted if the Player’s Choice receives written notice no later than 2 weeks prior to the shootout. There are no refunds or credits for players that cancel within 2 weeks of the event or do not show on the day of the shootout.

**PLAYER CHECK-IN:** occurs from 8:00AM to 9:00AM on the day of the shootout. On the day of the shootout, you must CHECK-IN during the *PLAYER CHECK-IN* Period. If a player does not CHECK-IN during the *PLAYER CHECK-IN* Period, Player’s Choice reserves the right to assign your place to another player who may be on our waiting list. There is no refund should this occur.

## Academics Matter

Be a Student First

