

RECRUITING

Program Development Plan 2026

	Phase	Dates	Focus
OFF-SEASON	Base	Apr 1 – Apr 4	Dead Period (Final Four) , finalize recruiting board priorities, roster needs evaluation, staff alignment, portal strategy preparation
	Cycle 1	Apr 5 - May 2	Transfer Portal (Apr 6–20) , Signing Period (Apr 14) , Contact Period (Apr 15) , portal evaluation, outreach, unofficial visits
	Cycle 2	May 3 - May 23	Contact Period continues, off-campus evaluations, home visits, portal follow-up, official visit scheduling
	Assessment 1	May 24 - May 30	Nonscholastic Evaluation Period , AAU scouting prep, staff territory assignments, class evaluation
	Cycle 3	May 31 - Jun 27	June Scholastic Evaluation Periods , high school events, campus visits, relationship building
	Cycle 4	Jun 28 - July 25	July Live Periods , AAU evaluations, College Basketball Academy , nightly staff evaluations
	Assessment 2	July 26 - Aug 1	Post-live period debrief, update recruiting board, scholarship planning
PRE-SEASON	Cycle 5	Aug 2 - Sept 5	Quiet Period (Aug 1–Sep 8) , campus visits, official visits, relationship building
	Cycle 6	Sept 6 - Oct 17	Contact Period (Sep 9) , off-campus visits, open gyms, commitment tracking
	Assessment 3	Oct 18 - Oct 24	Pre-signing evaluation, NLI preparation , priority recruit push
IN-SEASON	Cycle 7	Oct 25 - Nov 28	Dead Period (Nov 9–12) , Early Signing Period (Nov 11–18) , game-day visits
	Cycle 8	Nov 29 - Dec 26	Recruiting Period , junior evaluations, home game visits, Holiday Dead Period (Dec 24–26)
	Assessment 4	Dec 27 - Jan 2	Recruiting board review, portal planning , scholarship assessment
	Cycle 9	Jan 3 - Feb 20	Conference season recruiting, junior class evaluation, relationship maintenance
POST-SEASON	Cycle 10	Feb 21 - Mar 20	Spring recruiting preparation, transfer identification , visit scheduling
	Transition	Mar 21 - Mar 31	Roster retention meetings (upon conclusion of postseason), portal strategy, next cycle preparation