



NJCAA WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

THE LEADER IN 2-YEAR COLLEGIATE ESPORTS



IMPORTANT COMPETITION REMINDERS

- While the National Office presets a schedule, teams can and should work with each other to find dates and times that work best for them!
- Matches need to be finished by the end of the season.
- Students can play from their homes when needed!

[Review the Match Day Reminders!](#)

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CVAL & CLOL

As we normally do, the NJCAAEE will have a partnered conference for CVAL and CLOL this year!

We are running it a little differently than usual.

What's Different:

- The NJCAAEE will be running the Regular Season activity and still host NJCAAEE National Championships for League of Legends and Valorant.
- Due to time constraints, there will not be a Regional Postseason for League of Legends and Valorant. Instead, the Regional Champions will come directly from the Regional regular season.
- Registration will be extended and seasons will be shortened for these titles to meet the requirements.
- **Teams will have to register through CVAL, CLOL, and PlayVS!**

**Your ggtech CLOL
CVAL
registrations are
due on:**

**January 12th @
8:59pm PT /
11:59pm ET**

[CLICK HERE TO
FIND YOUR
CLOL
REGISTRATION!](#)

[CLICK HERE TO
FIND YOUR
CVAL
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PlayVS
REGISTRATION!](#)

NJCAA Sport Opportunity Grant

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The NJCAA Sport Opportunity Grant is available for NJCAA member colleges who have not yet purchased jerseys. This includes programs that will purchase new jerseys, replacement jerseys, or even alternate jerseys, increasing engagement and a sense of belonging. These jerseys must be purchased through CRIT Apparel. The grant will be awarded based on need and allotted funding.

Program Timeline

November 1, 2025	Application opens for submissions.
January 16, 2026	Deadline for submitted grant applications.
March 31, 2026	Grants awarded and recipients notified.
June 12, 2026	Programs and grant announced in public press release.
February 1	Written report on the status of the program reported to NJCAA Foundation (Report due bi-annually for next four years)
August 1	Written report on the status of the program reported to NJCAA Foundation (Report due bi-annually for next four years).



To apply for the Sport Opportunity Grant, please click [HERE](https://www.njcaaesports.org).

INSTRUCTIONAL WEBINAR HEARTHSTONE

Learn how to expand the teams and students you support by watching the Instructional Webinar series found on the NJCAAE YouTube channel.

WATCH NOW!



Did you know that Hearthstone is a great activity to grow your program? It is a 1v1 activity, meaning you only need one player to field a team! There are countless educational materials online that can help your students improve their play.

FALL 2026 NEW COMPETITIVE ACTIVITIES

Below are the activities that will be moved up to Competitive Levels, meaning participants must meet student eligibility requirements, for the Fall 2026 - Spring 2027 year of activity.

Rocket League 2v2

Chess

SSBU Crew Battles 3v3

**Start recruiting your Fall 2026 teams
for these activities**

TODAY!

RECRUITING HAPPENS NOW

Now is the time for you to recruit for your future teams! Just like traditional athletic teams, filling your teams for next fall now will create a more competitive team.

Grow your program!

Recruit multiple rosters for one activity so that you create a strong internal competitive system.

- Multiple rosters gives programs flexibility on participation and engagement opportunities.
- It helps students create stronger lasting bonds.

Expand to activities that you may not be comfortable with.

- You can support students with pre-made practice schedules, learning materials, and expectations.
- All games have a wealth of training videos, influencers, and more online.

Recruit into the future.

- Setting up your teams for future seasons at least one year in advance of the season helps to create a strong training environment.

SPRING 26 REGISTRATIONS ARE OPENING

Its time to begin your Spring Registrations!

All Division 1 registrations should be open at this time. Division 2 and Division 3 registrations will go live throughout this week.

To register, do the following:

On the PlayVS platform, after you've logged in, click Manage Teams -> Select Spring -> select your game, you can see the registration for any game in the "Spring 2026 Leagues" box in the top righthand corner.

SPRING 26 CHANGES

Spring 26 is coming fast and bringing a few changes with it. Registrations, Qualifiers, and Regular Season will now be closing on an activities last listed play day on schedule. For Registration, this means activities registration will close on its regular play day for that week.

Division 1

Nov	Dec	January	February	March	April	May
Registration						
11.02.25 - Activity's last listed play day on week of 02.14.26						
Preseason		<u>Qualifier</u>				
12.14.25 - 01.25.26		01.19.26 - 02.14.26				
<u>Regular Season</u>				<u>Regionals</u>		<u>Nationals</u>
02.15.26 - Activity's last listed play day on week of 4.10.26				04.13.26 - 04.25.26		04.27.26 - 05.09.26

Division 2

Registration						
11.02.25 - Activity's last listed play day on week of 02.14.26						
Preseason		<u>Qualifiers</u>				
12.14.25 - 01.25.26		01.19.26 - 02.14.26				
<u>Regular Season</u>				<u>Nationals</u>		
02.15.26 - Activity's last listed play day on week of 4.10.26				04.13.26 - 04.25.26		

Division 3

Registration						
11.02.25 - ROLLING						
Preseason		Regular Activity		Opt-in Tournament		
11.11.25 - 02.08.26		02.09.26 - 4.03.26		04.06.26 - 04.18.26		

NJCAA SPRING MEDIA WEEK

#njcaaemediadays; #njcaaemediaweek

Were your teams a part of the **major success** of the **fall Media Week?**

Now is the time to start preparing for the Spring 26 media week! Just like with fall, the National Office will support participating members by reposting, creating additional materials, and helping members create more recognition!

We will coordinate with institutions to post the following and more on both the National Office socials and your institution's socials:

- Team Player Cards (Template provided by NJCAA, but feel free to make your own!)
- Team & student pictures, videos, interviews
- Student stories (Returning students, new students, graduated students)
- Coach statements, predictions, interviews, articles
- Clips & Hype reels
- Facility videos
- President statements
- "How we Practice" - video, or article of how your teams practice
- Closing Hype Reels / statements
- Recruitment Calls
- Etc....

SPRING 26 MEDIA WEEK

February 8th 2026 - February 14th 2026

SEND
INTEREST TO
PARTICIPATE

NJCAA
MEDIA WEEK
OUTLINES

PLAYER CARD EXAMPLE



All posts must contain the following hashtags:
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Did you know NJCAAE is a member institution driven association? This is primarily accomplished through subcommittees. NJCAAE subcommittees are manned by coaches, leads, administrators, and directors from member institutions. Learn more about the subcommittees below!

Looking to send a proposal for the NJCAAE and subcommittees to review?

[Send in a proposal form today!](#)

Game Title Subcommittees

Game Title Subcommittees advise on rules, expectations, and schedules for games the NJCAAE hosts activity for. Chairs of each subcommittee make up the NJCAAE Competition Committee.

[Submit interest today!](#)

Subcommittees

The NJCAAE subcommittees advise the NJCAAE National Office on proposals, rules, operations, and much more! We're currently looking for Athletic Directors, Deans, Administrators, and Decision Makers from institution's to join the Advisory Committee.

[Submit interest today!](#)

NJCAA ESPORTS

In 2019 the National Junior College Athletic Association formed NJCAA Esports to better serve their existing community of member institutions who wanted a competitive association focused on their unique needs and the groups they serve. To date, NJCAA Esports serves over 6,000 students and is working with over 230 institutions.

With a focus on breaking down barriers to entry for member colleges and their students, we have created the only association capable of thoroughly meeting the needs of 2-year and community colleges. The NJCAA Esports offers many program solutions through the association and our partners. These offerings range from program development, competition, media, broadcasting, gearing solutions, and much more!

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