



# NJCAA WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



## THE LEADER IN 2-YEAR COLLEGIATE ESPORTS



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Even if you have, there is still time to potentially bring new students to your institution for the upcoming year!

[Meet with us to learn tips  
and tricks!](#)

# PREPARE TO COMPETE: MARVEL RIVALS

The NJCAA is officially announcing the introduction of Division 1 and Division 2 Marvel Rivals to the docket of game titles for the Fall 25 - Spring 26 year of activity!

With the high level of participation and interest in Marvel Rivals, we believe that it will be a strong addition to the Division 1 and Division 2 levels of competition. As always, the season depends on registrations, so get your teams together and get ready for a marvelous time!

## END OF SPRING 2025

The National Office wants to congratulate not only those who made postseason, but all members who've made the Fall and Spring competitive seasons so successful. This national association is what it is because of the amazing members who are apart of it.

We ask that you stay tuned to our newsletter and social media over the next few months as there are a number of very exciting announcements coming down the pipeline. As always, we look forward to seeing everyone return for next year!



[24-25 MEMBERSHIP YEAR  
WRAP-UP FORM](#)

## SPRING 25 ALL-ACADEMICS

The NJCAA wants to recognize students who have performed exceptionally in their academics throughout the Spring 25 season! Send in the students who you believe should be recognized as an All-Academic!

**Complete all of your submissions by June 30th, 2025 at 11:59 pm.**

**SEND YOUR SUBMISSIONS IN!**

## COACH SPOTLIGHT - JOSH WENTZ

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Head Esports Coach Josh Wentz (he/him) of Dawson Community College (DCC) describes his role in one word: “Epic.” Wentz launched the program in 2020 and has helped grow the team ever since. In fact, his early involvement in esports in the early 2000s instilled in him such positive experiences that he wanted to share those same feelings with others.

Wentz got involved in esports as a competitor when online first-person shooters were just gaining popularity and online competitive gaming was beginning to attract attention. At the time, it wasn't yet known as "esports"—players were simply forming teams and creating their own leagues. Having been able to watch, enjoy, and be involved in the industry for so long, Wentz feels a strong commitment to its success. He finds collegiate esports extra special, as he believes he is contributing to the industry's growth in a meaningful way.

The DCC program had rosters competing across all tiers of the NJCAA, from Tier 1 to Tier 3. It was a mixed season, with some teams going undefeated in the regular season, while others secured only a few wins. Each season brings its own set of challenges, and every roster has a unique experience.

“I think the NJCAA is valuable in expanding opportunity and visibility for esports at the two-year collegiate level. It creates a pathway for people to compete in organized esports,” said Wentz. “Students feel a part of a team and a larger movement, creating a sense of belonging and school pride.”

Looking ahead, Wentz's goals for next year include continuing to recruit and grow the program, expanding its outreach, and laying the foundation for long-term success. In his free time, when he's not spending time with his family or taking a family road trip, Wentz often competes in games himself, exploring new releases or replaying classic favorites. He is an active competitor in Magic: The Gathering, having qualified for Regional Championships and frequently traveling to compete. He is already qualified for the upcoming event at SCG Con Houston in October.



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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!](#)**

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## **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

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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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