

Division III 2023-24 Facts and Figures

MEMBERSHIP

Division III is the NCAA's largest division (approximately 40% of total membership).



80%

(343) of active Division III institutions are private.

20%

(87) of institutions are public.

Source: 2023-24 Sports Sponsorship and Demographics Forms

STUDENT-ATHLETE COMPOSITION

On average, student-athletes comprise **31%** of the student body at Division III institutions. (This percentage ranges from 2% to more than 72%.)



309

median number of student-athletes at schools that don't sponsor football.

588

median number of student-athletes at schools that sponsor football.

Source: 2023-24 Sports Sponsorship and Demographic Forms

DIVISION III STUDENT-ATHLETES

- Former Division III student-athletes report thriving at greater rates on measures of purpose, social, community, and physical well-being than their nonathlete peers.
- Former Division III student-athletes earned a postgraduate degree (41%) at a higher rate than their nonathlete peers (37%).
- 87% of former Division III student-athletes agreed or strongly agreed that they were challenged academically in college, as compared to 83% of nonathletes.
- 63% of former Division III student-athletes held a leadership position in a club or organization, as compared to 38% of nonathletes.
- 87% of Division III student-athletes agree or strongly agree that being an athlete has helped them fit in socially at their college, and 82% report a sense of belonging there.
- Most Division III student-athletes agree or strongly agree that their coaches and teammates create an inclusive environment for all team members (78%).
- Over 90% of Division III student-athletes report that their college athletics experience had a positive or very positive effect on personal competencies such as work ethic, responsibility, teamwork, and goal setting.

Source: Division III Gallup Study (2020) and Division III Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations and Learning of Students in college (GOALS) Study (2019)

UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT

Lowest **288**

Average **2,450**

Highest **27,642**

Source: Fall 2021-22 enrollment for full-time undergraduate students from the federal Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System

SPORTS SPONSORED PER INSTITUTION

19 average number of sports that Division III schools sponsor.

Source: 2023-24 Sports Sponsorship and Demographics Forms

ATHLETICS PARTICIPATION

(Including emerging sports)

Approximately **38.6%** of NCAA student-athletes compete at Division III institutions.

	Division III	NCAA Overall
Men	119,379 (59%)	297,571 (56%)
Women	84,101 (41%)	229,397 (44%)
Total	203,480	526,968

*Numbers include student-athletes that may participate in more than one sport

Source: 2023-24 Sports Sponsorship and Demographics Forms

PRIORITY INITIATIVES

- Maintain the values of Division III athletics.
- Provide quality Division III Championships.
- Ensure the division is effectively managing diversity and inclusion issues.
- Enhance the well-being of prospects, student-athletes and staff.
- Provide professional development and funding support for the Division III membership.
- Enhance formal accountability of the governance structure.
- Maintain fiscal integrity.

Source: 2022-23 NCAA Division III Strategic Plan

DIII-SPONSORED CHAMPIONSHIPS

Men's Championship Sports (14)

Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Ice Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Swimming and Diving, Tennis, Indoor Track and Field, Outdoor Track and Field, Volleyball, Wrestling

Women's Championship Sports (14)

Basketball, Cross Country, Field Hockey, Golf, Ice Hockey, Lacrosse, Rowing, Soccer, Softball, Swimming and Diving, Tennis, Indoor Track and Field, Outdoor Track and Field, Volleyball

National Collegiate Championships (9)

Men - Gymnastics, Water Polo; Women - Beach Volleyball, Bowling, Gymnastics, Water Polo; Men and Women - Fencing, Rifle, Skiing



DIVISION III
DISCOVER | DEVELOP | DEDICATE

Division III 2023-24 Budget Overview

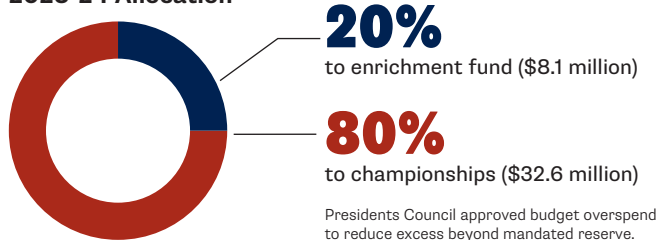
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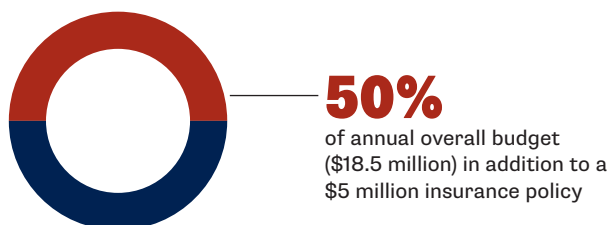
Source: 3.18% of NCAA operating revenue allocation

BUDGET ALLOCATION

2023-24 Allocation



Mandated Annual Reserve



VALUE OF MEMBERSHIP

With an annual budget of **\$37.5 million** and annual membership dues of **\$2,000 or less**, the estimated annual per institution value of Division III membership is **\$77,538**.

ASSOCIATION-WIDE BENEFITS

Division III members also benefit from Association-wide services and support. The NCAA funds these services with more than \$250 million dollars annually.

Legal Services, Communication	\$152 M
Insurance programs, drug testing, student-athlete leadership	\$57 M
Technology and National Office Support	\$43 M
Membership Support ((e.g., Committees and Interpretations)	\$24 M
Educational Programs	\$4 M

CHAMPIONSHIPS

(28 Division III specific)

	Men's Budget	Women's Budget
Baseball	\$3,020,228	NA
Basketball	\$1,630,937	\$1,882,652
Cross Country	\$756,387	\$778,789
Field Hockey	NA	\$674,476
Football	\$2,567,406	NA
Golf	\$776,195	\$581,555
Ice Hockey	\$576,034	\$477,024
Lacrosse	\$1,114,121	\$1,244,523
Rowing	NA	\$509,379
Soccer	\$1,596,985	\$1,602,958
Softball	NA	\$2,052,638
Swimming and Diving	\$792,285	\$831,879
Tennis	\$877,641	\$931,360
Indoor Track and Field	\$977,756	\$906,473
Outdoor Track and Field	\$1,207,221	\$1,136,831
Volleyball	\$440,855	\$1,452,441
Wrestling	\$705,354	NA
Overall Totals	\$17,039,405	\$15,062,978

Source: NCAA Financial Statements

ENRICHMENT FUND

2023-24 Budget

Conference Office Support

Strategic Initiative Conference Grants	\$4,250,703
Conference Commissioners Meeting	\$40,000

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Women and Minority Intern Program	\$1,600,000
Strategic Alliance Matching Grant	\$708,600
DIII Diversity Initiatives	\$250,000
Coaching Enhancement Grant	\$100,000
LGBTQ Inclusion Program	\$30,000

Student-Athlete Support

Student-Athlete Leadership Conference	\$400,000
Annual Convention	\$75,000
SAAC Associate Member Travel	\$45,000
CSC Academic All-America Program	\$44,000
Campus-Based Student-Athlete Leadership Programs	\$40,000
360 Proof	\$20,000

Value of Division III

Branding and Promotion	\$300,000
Special Olympics Partnership	\$35,000

Professional Development

New AD and Commissioner Orientations	\$85,000
ADR Institute	\$75,000
FAR Institute/Orientation	\$75,000
NADIII AA Partnership	\$75,000
SWA Enhancement Grant Program	\$30,000
Membership Learning Management System	\$20,000
College Sports Communicators DIII Day	\$12,000
Administrator and Commissioner Meeting (NADIII AA and DIII CA)	\$10,000

Division III National Office Support

Division III Event Cancellation Insurance	\$61,000
Additional Working Groups	\$40,000
NCAA Staff Professional Development	\$7,000

Total Enrichment Fund Expenses \$8,428,303

Source: NCAA Financial Statements