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JCAAE WEEKLY EWSLETTER

THE LEADER IN 2-YEAR COLLEGIATE ESPORTS



REGISTRATION COUNTDOWN

Countdown the days left in registration with us through the registration countdown page!

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ANNUAL SIGN-UP FORM

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JERSEY DESIGN CONTEST

NJCAAE and CRIT APPAREL are partnering on a jersey design contest with \$3,000 in prizes!

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Registration is open!

Keep up with the countdown to the end of registration on the NJCAAE website!

Tier 1 Premier Series

3 days until registration

ends!

Tier 2 Contender Series

3 days until registration ends!

Tier 3 Open Series

Open rolling enrolment is now open!

FINAL NOTICE: ANNUAL SIGN-UP FORM

The time for institution's to renew membership and their annual sign-ups is here!

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Fall Due Dates T1 & T2 - 9/19/24

Spring Due Dates

<u>(Only if this wasn't finished in Fall) T1 &</u> T2 - 2/13/25



Package

Fall 2024 - Spring 2025

Registration is open! <u>RECISTER HERE</u>



JERSEY DESIGN CONTEST



Follow These Steps:



NJCAAE members sign up on the <u>CRIT Discord</u> and make a jersey design for their institution!



NJCAAE members create social media posts of the jersey they designed with CRIT APPAREL, tagging @njcaae & @critapparel.



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Submit your social media metrics by end of business on November 15th, 2024 to <u>THIS</u> <u>FORM</u>.

Ist, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place all win Crit Cash to use for their gearing needs with CRIT APPAREL!

Contest opens Sept. 17th 2024 & closes on Nov. 15 2024!

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ITS TIME TO BEGIN RECRUITMENT FOR THE 25-26 ACADEMIC YEAR!

With students returning to your campus for another year of exciting competition, academics, and connection, their excitement acts as a reminder to how esports programs can create positive impact.

This impact is important for not only the institution, but the current and potential students who attend the institution to further their education. As we all know, esports programs exists for and by students. In other words, without students the program would not exist. This is why recruitment of new full-time students is imperative for an esports program to thrive.

While it may seem early, now is the best time for institutions to begin recruiting for the next year of esports program activity! As the only association taking active steps to promote its member institution's esports program success, the NJCAAE has created a recruitment course aimed at helping you build your program! Now is the perfect time to start the course and begin practicing what you learn by recruiting for this upcoming year of academics and competition.

1. Introduction to Recruitment

Successful recruiting efforts will lead to a program that not only positively impacts the institution as a whole, but the individuals who participate in any level of the esports program.

Click here to learn more...

RECRUIT NOW FOR 25-26!

The NJCAAE National Office hosts regular AMA sessions for members to get a chance to learn about the LeagueOS Platform, registrations, NJCAAE website, and much more! These sessions are held in the official NJCAAE discord so feel free to jump in for as many sessions as you like!

Save a session on your calendar by clicking the date below, or saving them directly from the Discord.

Fall Season AMA's

Session 1

<u>Session 1.1 - 08/29/24 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 1.2 - 08/29/24 3:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 1.3 - 08/30/24 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 1.4 - 08/30/24 3:00 pm ET</u>

Session 2

<u>Session 2.1 - 09/05/24 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 2.2 - 09/05/24 3:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 2.3 - 09/06/24 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 2.4 - 09/06/24 3:00 pm ET</u>

Session 3

<u>Session 3.1 - 09/11/24 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 3.2 - 09/11/24 3:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 3.3 - 09/12/24 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 3.4 - 09/12/24 3:00 pm ET</u>

Session 4

<u>Session 4.1 - 09/16/24 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 4.2 - 09/16/24 3:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 4.3 - 09/17/24 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 4.4 - 09/17/24 3:00 pm ET</u>

Spring Season AMA's

Session 1

<u>Session 5.1 - 01/23/25 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 5.2 - 01/23/25 3:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 5.3 - 01/24/25 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 5.4 - 01/24/25 3:00 pm ET</u>

Session 2

<u>Session 6.1 - 01/30/25 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 6.2 - 01/30/25 3:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 6.3 - 01/31/25 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 6.4 - 01/31/25 3:00 pm ET</u>

Session 3

<u>Session 7.1 - 02/06/25 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 7.2 - 02/06/25 3:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 7.3 - 02/07/25 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 7.4 - 02/07/25 3:00 pm ET</u>

Session 4

<u>Session 8.1 - 02/11/25 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 8.2 - 02/11/25 3:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 8.3 - 02/12/25 12:00 pm ET</u> <u>Session 8.4 - 02/12/25 3:00 pm ET</u>

ARTICLE: ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT - AYDEN VEIK

Ayden Veik, a recent graduate of Central Community College (CCC), is now pursuing a business degree at Wayne State College and working as a technical analyst in Nebraska. Veik, who previously played esports at CCC, was featured in a 2022 player spotlight by the NJCAAE when he was a freshman.

"I love being part of this team. As a first-year team, our accomplishments have been very exciting for our coach, who played esports at Ohio State. I really enjoy the NJCAAE's connection with other teams and their excellent tournaments and playoffs. I'm super excited to keep playing," Veik said in 2022.

Veik's passion for esports remains strong.

"I was part of the NJCAAE for the two years I was in college, from 2022 to 2024. I spent a lot of time participating in esports and competing against other colleges, winning two Tier I national titles along the way. Esports have impacted me in a surprisingly big way. I was able to receive scholarships from Esports to help me pay for school and it is a great talking point among peers," Veik said in 2024.

Veik is still playing Call of Duty and plans to continue playing for the foreseeable future. Ayden also encourages young

gamers to pursue the game they love while maintaining a strong focus on both mental and physical health. He emphasizes the importance of humility, suggesting they should always acknowledge and respect others' skills, even if they believe themselves to be superior. Ayden Veik's journey from a successful esports player at CCC to a business student and technical analyst shows his commitment to both his professional and personal passions. His experiences with the NJCAAE and his continued involvement in esports highlight not only his achievements but also his belief in balancing competitive drive with mental

and physical well-being.

With a host of customization and gear options, CRIT will be able to provide institutions everything they'll need to represent their brand in a professionally. Learn more at <u>critapparel.com</u>!





Did you know NJCAAE is a member institution driven association? This is primarily accomplished through committees. NJCAAE committees are manned by coaches, leads, administrators, and directors from member institutions. Learn more about the committees below!

Looking to send a proposal for the NJCAAE and committees 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!

Committees

The NJCAAE committees 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!

View us online at <u>njcaaesports.org</u>!

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