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CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT COLLEGE

ATHLETIC PROGRAM

History

The Athletic Program at Christopher Newport College was initiated in 1965. A small student body and the non-availability of facilities at the college were limiting factors which affected the scope of the original program. With the completion of Ratcliffe Gymnasium in 1967 and a gradual rise in student enrollment, new sports were added to the existing program as a result of student interest in additional extracurricular activities.

During the first year, students were active in Track, Men's Basketball, and Women's Hockey. As the enrollment grew and college facilities became more accessible, Men's Tennis, Golf and Women's Basketball were added at the request of the students. The early teams played limited schedules and participated in varying degrees of competition.

The students of Christopher Newport College have structured the Athletic Program from the beginning. As each sport developed at the College, students have been responsible for organizing the respective teams. These early teams were classified as club teams and later were elevated to intercollegiate sports as the level of competition and the number of participants became greater. Teams reaching intercollegiate competition were assigned qualified coaches in order to improve the performance of each sport in the name of the College.

Currently, the College has intercollegiate teams in Women's and Men's Basketball, Golf, Tennis, Track, and Soccer.

Purpose

The mission of Christopher Newport College is to provide educational opportunities in accordance with the interests and needs of its student body. Since education involves the total development of one's mind and body, the athletic program serves as an instrument through which to develop both mind and body. Through the athletic program, a student may seek goals in physical development which could not evolve from physical education classes or the intramural program. The athletic program affords the student an opportunity to test and demonstrate advanced skills and techniques in an area most suitable to the individual. Affective and cognitive domains of learning are enhanced as students compete.

Athletic competition develops many personal traits which will directly or indirectly influence the success one might expect in life. The degree to which one

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will compete in the arena, the pride displayed, and the self-discipline possessed are true derivatives of the intercollegiate program which enhances the total development of the indicisual student.

Affiliation

Christopher Newport College is currently a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (N. C. A. A. , Division III), Virginia College Athletic Association (V. C. A. A.), and the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (D. I. A. C.).

Funding and Scholarships

The total intercollegiate athletic program, including the administration, salaries, and operating expenses is financed with student activity fees, minimal donations and gate receipts.

The College does not award scholarships based solely on athletic ability; however, students may seek financial assistance based on their need as indicated by the Parents Confidential Statement (P. C. S.) which is processed through the Director of Financial Aid's office.

Intercollegiate athletic budgets from 1971 to 1974 are as follow:

1971-72	-	\$19,950.00
1972-73	-	\$22,400.00
1973-74	-	\$36,200.00
1974-75	-	\$44,290.00

The Future

The attached organization chart includes all team sports currently active at Christopher Newport. An intercollegiate swimming team may be considered in the future if interest continues and adequate facilities become available. There are no plans to consider adding either football or baseball to the program at Christopher Newport.

The intercollegiate athletic program at CNC is modest. The major emphasis is, and will continue to be, on intramural participation.

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