



Mid Season Evaluation | Diego Rodriguez
Height/Position | 6'1 Combo Guard
Classification/School: 2025 Midland Legacy HS

Lead Evaluator: Coach V (21 Years Experience as a Recruiting Coordinator at the D1, D2, D3 & NAIA Levels)

Secondary Evaluator: NAIA Assistant Coach (Entering his 9th Season with JC & NAIA Experience)

Projected Level | D3 JUCO / NCAA D3+

Potential Level | D2 JUCO / NAIA (Scholarship Level Scorer Right Now So Playing To Your Maximum Potential In Other Areas Can Lead To An Offer at the Scholarship Levels When the Portal Starts to Dissipate)

UTILIZING THE MIDSEASON COLLEGE PREP EVALUATION

Evaluations Provide UC Recruits Invaluable Insight Through the Lens of a College Coach To Guide Players Moving Forward. Review the Assessment to Elevate On Court Performance, Identify College Ready Strengths that Stand Out, Identify Facets of Your Game that Expose You, and Build Your Final College Lists Targeting College Programs that FIT.

Diego Rodriguez | Mid Season Evaluation

Offense- Diego has the Size and Skill Set at the PG Position that Translates to the College Level. More of a Combo Guard at the Next Level with his Score 1st / Pass 2nd Mentality. Sees the Floor Well and Capable of Playing the PG Position but he's at his Best Off the Ball Scoring it or Being a Second PG on the Floor for a Team. Not Enough Evidence on Game Film that Diego can Shoot the '3' like a College Level 2, has a Solid Release and the Shot Mechanics Indicate he could become a High % 3pt Shooter with another Year to Work on his Game. Streaky Shooter Makes him a 2 Level Scorer Right Now with his College Ready Strength Being Making Plays off the Bounce and Finishing! Has a Really Good Change of Pace on

Offense and Does a Great Job of Getting Downhill in the Open Court or HC. That by far at this Stage of his Career Stands out the Most on Game Film. Diego also has the court savvy to read help D and find the Open Man when drawing 2nd Line and 3rd Line Defenders. On the flip side, he needs to do a much better job at moving without the Ball and Getting to his Spots when he's the Off Guard. Right Now he Tends to stand too much in the Same Area and Beyond the 3pt Line in their HC Motion which makes it easy for Opposing Defenders to Guard and Out of Scoring Position on a Majority of Catches.. With his ability to Score the Ball especially off the Bounce, he Needs to start cutting harder after he gives it up & cut to open areas when the Help D Relaxes and he will be much tougher to Guard. I Love the Confidence he Plays with When he has the Ball in His Hands, so Moving Without the Ball is the Next Step to Take his Game to the Next Level Having Said that 2 Areas Exposed on Game Films That Takes Away from How Good Diego is at putting Points on the Board, is Ball Watching When Shots Go Up and Poor Non-Verbal Communication Throughout (Body Language) That Coaches Look at Closely When Evaluating Potential Recruits. HS Prospects That Have the Ball In Their Hands a Majority of the Game (PGs / Combos) Must Showcase Leadership Traits Not Just Lead Teams in Scoring to Stand Out and Beat the Transfer Portal. Talent Aside a Big Red Flag for Coaches When Recruiting HS Players These Days is How they Perform Under Duress or When Things Don't Go Their Way. Diego Still Has Time on his Side and Now Has a Clear Understanding of What He Must Do To Move Up College Coaches Boards.

Defensively - Diego has the Size, Speed, and Length to be a Much Better Defensive Player Especially Off the Ball in Help D Situations. Shows Signs of what his Potential is on that side of the ball, and has Moments where he looks really good when locked in. However, too many Empty Possessions that he takes off to stand out on Game Film. One of the most asked Questions I Get When Sharing Leads and Getting Players Looks is 'Who Can He Guard at the Next Level Coach...?' Offensively, Diego no Question can Play both the 1 or 2 Positions but the Question Will be Guarding a PG or 2 in College. In HS You Can Get Away with some bad Defensive Habits and it won't be as evident to the Regular Fan, but at College you must stay engaged and in an Athletic Stance off the Ball, and be Arms Length on the Catch and not give up Straight Line Drives on the Ball Defensively. Diego has enough talent and the tools to be much better and more consistent in both areas on D, he just needs to buy In to Playing to his Maximum Potential on Defense One Practice, One Possession, One Game at a Time so he's Playing his best ball when it counts the most. Regardless if Legacy is in a Zone or Man, you are

either On the Ball in a Area (Zone) or in Help Defense when the Ball is not in Your Area (Zone) Stay Active and Make Progress So When The Moment Arrives and Roster Spots Start to Open Mid-March Through Mid-May You Have Developed Some Better Habits On D and Show Coaches You Are More Than Capable of Guarding a PG or 2 at the Next Level.

Overall - No Question Diego Has a Real Shot of Turning Interest into an Offer, but He Must Have a Sense of Urgency Over the Next 60 Days Turn It Up In All Facets of the Game Outside of Scoring the Ball. I've Been Doing this Too Long and With the Changes in College Recruitment the Last 5 Years, Your Ability to Score Won't Be Enough To Secure a REAL Offer! Great Thing is all the Areas that You Can Elevate are Simply Choices and You Have the Physical Ability to Get it Done. The Key Will be Starting Now One Day at a Time at Being More Aware and Making it a Point of Valuing the Daily Process it Takes to Progress In Making More Winning Plays and a Bigger Impact Without the Ball In Your Hands (Your Offense Will Draw Interest-Rebounding and Defending Will Turn that Interest Into an Offer) My Biggest Concern that is tougher to change at his Stage is Diego's Body Language (Non Verbal Cues) Throughout Games Takes the Focus off his Talent and all the Focus starts to Shift to What He Shows When Things Don't Go his Away. That's a Big Red Flag for Coaches and Remember Coaches Can't Hear You on Game Film to Tell if You're a Great Teammate, Kid, Leader, Etc. So They Evaluate Non-Verbal Leadership Traits Closely when Watching Film. Start with Huddling Your Team 15-30 Seconds Max on Dead Balls & FTs where I can clearly see you are getting them Matched Up, Staying Engaged in Each Possession, Showing Positive Body Language, and Communicating to Your Team is Realistic (Just Dead Balls / FTs) That will shift all the Focus Back on You Being a Scholarship Level Scorer and will slowly start to Develop Better Leadership Habits that Will Double Your Recruitment. (I only Push the Best Version of Players at this Stage But I Know What Coaches will Research Before Offering When I'm Sharing Leads Weekly) I'm On Your Side, but that is What Separates Uncommon Exposure From All Other Services is You Getting This Insight from the Lens of College Coaches Before Getting 10 x the Looks! We got Work to do Diego so let's Work Together until we find you a FIT....

COLLEGE PREP FILM ROOM

Offensive Clips

1. **4:32-4:08 1st Quarter vs Frenship** | Straight Line Drives and Moving without the Ball Stand Out to Coaches on Game Film. If You Can't Get Downhill by 3rd

Dribble Give It Up and Make a Game Speed Cut (Much Tougher To Guard) I Added this Clip so You can View Opportunities to Lead not Just Be the Leading Scorer. They Pushed off Your Miss and Got Fouled **(Every Single Dead Ball, FT, Etc. are Opportunities for You to Communicate to Teammates and Showcase Leadership Traits that Will 100% Matter)**

2. **2:53-2:45 2nd Quarter vs Frenship (College Ready Strength on Offense)**
Getting Downhill and Finishing or Getting Teammates Open Shots When Drawing Help is When You are at Your Best. Take This Facet of Your Game to Another Level Down the Stretch. Stay In Attack Mode While Making the Right Decision. The More Paint Touches Without Going East To West The Better.
3. **6:32-6:22 4th Quarter vs Frenship (Pursuing Offensive Rebounds) | Great Clip That Stands out To Coaches on Film of You Crashing the Glass (1st Rebound of the Game-Be Consistent With This Type of Effort)** Big Guards that Get in the Mix When Shots Go Up are Easy to Promote to College Coaches **(RPG is a Motor Stat)** I Don't Care What You Avg. Right Now, But in all Remaining Games You Should Set a Specific Goal and Track Progress. **(7+ RPG in Remaining Games is Realistic at Your Size and with the Amount of MPG You Play)**

Defensive Clips

1. **4:30-4:14 3rd Quarter vs Frenship (Consistent Effort & Non Verbal Communication Must Be Better in 60 Days)** | Transition Defensive Clip to Start but Jogging Back is One Thing but Be Aware of When You Crossed HC You Look Beat. Next Possession Is Guarding Inbounds **(Another Great Opportunity to Get in a Stance, Match Teammates Up, and Showcase PG Leadership Traits)** Clip Where You Walk to Your Man and Put Your Palms Up Instead of Get Everyone on the Court Matched Up and Get in a Stance. **Don't Rely on Being the Leading Scorer Down the Stretch, Be the BEST LEADER on the Floor.**
2. **:55-:48 Seconds 3rd Quarter vs Frenship (Help Defense / Non Verbal Communication Must Improve)** | You have the length, speed, and versatility on

Offense so using those Strengths on D (Especially off the Ball) Will Take Your Game to a Whole New Level. Clip Where You Have Plenty of Time To Rotate Over and Stop This Penetration & Compound It By Showing Frustration Throughout Which Over Shadows You Being a Scholarship Level Scorer on Game Films **(Remember This is not a Knock on You or Your Game It's Your Cheat Sheet Before You Start Getting Closer Looks & Me Making a Push)**

3. **7:35-7:25 3rd Quarter vs Brandeis |**

Clips That Stand Out On Game Film (Good & Bad)

1. **6:54-6:35 1st Quarter vs Frenship HS (Defensive / Rebounding Clip)** | You Need to be a Lot More Active on the Glass and on Defense To Start Games. One Minute into the Game College Level Recruits Set the Tone. Clip of 2 Average Closeouts and Ball Watching When Shots Go Up. **Guards that Rebound are an Easy Sell in the Spring (Motor Stat)**
2. **3:43 1st Quarter vs Frenship (Non-Verbal Communication on Game Films is Assessed Closely by College Coaches)** | Coaches Can't Hear You When Evaluating Game Films So They Look at Non Verbal Cues aka Body Language / Leadership Traits in PG's. Another Possession Where You Walk to Half Court without Saying a Word to Your Team. Great Opportunities to 'Gain Exposure' and Stand Out on Game Film by Showing Leadership Traits College Level PG's Do Consistently. **(Develop Better Habits Here Down the Stretch Before I Make My Hardest Push for Players)**
3. **6:47 2nd Quarter vs Frenship (Non-Verbal Communication that Shows Great Teammate)** | At This Stage We Must Focus On Being Consistent In Areas That Stand out to Coaches & Being Elite at Your College Ready Strengths. You Need More Clips Like This One When Things are Not Going Your Way or When Your Team Is Down **(When Coaches Research My Leads They Look Closely at How HS Players Perform Under Duress-Great Clip Showing You Being a Great Teammate) Talent Aside These Traits Matter When I Get You More Looks!**

4. **3:25-3:18 3rd Quarter vs Frenship (Poor Body Language)** | This is the 14th Possession Right or Wrong in the Game Where You Display Body Language that is a Big Red Flag for College Coaches. Coaches Still Recruit Seniors But They Look Closer These Days at Your Ability to Make the Transition to College by How You Look on Game Film When It's Not Going Your Way. **Start One Practice, One Possession, One Game at a Time at Moving Onto the Next Play Without Showing Opponents, Coaches, Teammates This Type of Frustration.** (It Won't Happen This Week but It Will Pay off When I Get You Visits, Camp Invites, Tryouts, Etc. But You Must Start Working Daily at Growing as a Leader Down the Stretch-Easy Sell to my Coaching Contacts)

2025 Combo Guard Diego Rodriguez | Mid Season Highlight Video

2:00 Max | 25-30 Clips (70-30 Rule: 70% of Clips Should Highlight Your 2 College Ready Strengths & 30% of Clips Should Showcase Winning Plays Without the Ball at Your Position) 70% of Clips: You Are Close to a 3 Level Scorer But Your Biggest College Ready Strength on Offense is Your Playmaking Ability. **15 Clips** Should Be You Getting Downhill With Straight Line Drives in Open Court and HC. Mix Up What You Do When Getting In the Paint (Finish, Draw Contact and Get to the Line, Find the Open Man, Etc.) Mix in **10 Clips** of Mid-Range Pull-Ups and 3pt Makes (5 Each-Pick Clips Where You Create and Make Shots In Less than 5 Dribbles) **30% of Clips:** The Best Help Defensive Plays Where You Get Off Ball Steals & Where You Pursue and Get Boards (Both Must Improve But Add Some Clips To Showcase Your Ability to Be Really Good In These Areas)

COLLEGE READY GAMES THAT SHOWCASE YOUR STRENGTHS

Game #1: We Got Time on our Side Diego with this Portal. Be Aware Of Selecting Games Where You Show Sustained Effort on D and Make More Winning Plays Without the Ball in Your Hands (Your Ability to Score Stands Out and Is Consistent) **Example: 22-25 Points, 5 Rebounds, 4 Steals (Positive Non Verbal Leadership Traits for at least 75% of the Game)** We Need is One Game Moving Forward Showcasing Both Your Ability to Score It and Impact the Game Without the Ball In Your Hands! Finish Strong and Utilize The Evaluation as a Resource To Get the Results We Want (College Offer)

Game #2: The Other Game to Upload to Your Profile Should be the Most Efficient Offensive Game You've Played With Lots of Paint Touches. A Great Game that will Showcase Your Offensive Talent Would Be: **25-28 Points (2-4 from beyond the Arc, 6+ Trips to the FT Line, and 18 Points in the Paint)** If you can think of a Game like that where you had 7 Assists and Less than 2 Turnovers Upload that to Your Player Card.

Diego Rodriguez | Recruiting Game Plan

- 1. Book a Sunday Call** to Review the Assessment and Put a Plan in Place so we can Start Getting You on More Radars this Month as You Continue to Progress.
- 2. Plan on Attending at Least 2 UCExposure Spring Camps (Discounted)** One Being in a Big Market (**DFW is March 9th**) and the Final Four Camp in San Antonio (**April 6th**) Change Doesn't Happen Overnight So Continue to Elevate Your Game In Areas Exposed and Take Your Game Up a Notch In Areas Your Strong To Finish The Season! I'll Get You Genuine Looks at My Spring Camps Your Advantage Is Knowing What You Do Best, What You Must Do Better (Rebound, Body Language, Off Ball Defense) and Knowing What College Coaches Look at Closely Outside of Talent at Your Position. Knowledge is Power With Uncommon Exposure and It's Helped a lot of kids that Followed their Game Plan When I'm Getting them a lot more Looks (Mid March to Mid May with the Transfer Portal)
- 3. We Have No Time To Waste So Sunday We Must Get You Started On The Initial Steps so You Can Start Contacting College Coaches Next Week with a Plan in Place and I can Start Sharing Your Player Card Weekly to my Custom College Lists at the Projected Levels of Play. It's All About Selecting the Right Games and Targeting the Right FIT that has led to Offers for Players in my Program!**