



College Prep Evaluation | Christian Espinoza
Height/Position | 6'0 Point Guard
Classification/School | 2024 CC Flour Bluff HS

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Lead Evaluator: Coach V (21 Year College Recruiting Coordinator at the D1, D2, D3 & NAIA Levels with over 30 Years Experience in the Recruiting Industry)

Secondary Evaluator: NCAA D3 AC (Entering his 7th Season with JC and NCAA D3 Experience)
UCExposure Evaluations is our Guide to Building a Recruiting Game Plan tailored to the Individual Player

Projected Level | D3 JUCO / NCAA D3

Potential Level | D2 JUCO / NAIA

College Prep Evaluation: Christian is at his best when attacking downhill and finishing plays in the paint. Showed the ability to not only finish a high % of shots in the traffic, but finish through contact which stands out in his favor on Game Film. Excels in transition when the game speeds up and has good court vision when pushing it to find the open man, or draw the 2nd line of Defense and make the right decision. Very Aggressive on the Offensive end and confident with the ball in his hands at making the big plays. Would be a great fit in a 5 out Motion with lots of

dribble drive action with his ability to shoot, pass or finish plays at the Rim off the bounce. Defensively, Christian is Active and plays with good energy. However, too inconsistent with his speed and ability at pressuring the ball handler or setting the tone on D by keeping the opposing PG uncomfortable. Although Your Active, you must be consistent at your size with On Ball Pressure while keeping players in front of you. Off the Ball you put yourself in the right position, and looks like the Effort is there but without discipline on Help D you don't make much of an impact. With added discipline you could easily get 2-3 More Off Ball Deflections / Steals by playing before the catch. It's a Game of inches, and you are one to two seconds off of being a very good off ball defender. When the Game Speeds up, that is when you are at your best and seem to be the most comfortable. Once You give it up, you need to work on moving without the ball and moving with purpose to get to your spots and get more shots out of the offense flow. You are solid in Catch and Shoot Situations and have good shot mechanics on your 3pt shot, and when you are setting good screens off the ball or cutting to open spots you stand out more. The foundation is there just take that up a notch at your size, and move constantly and with intent to score if the help Defense relaxes (They DO 70% of the Time). One Area that could be system related that is exposed is your ability or willingness to mix it up in the paint for Rebounds on the Defensive End. A large majority of possessions after shots go up you watch and leak out, or you contest and start looking to get the outlet. Staying Consistent Defensively Both On and Off the Ball and Securing 4-5 Defensive Rebounds or at bare minimum getting in the mix on the Defensive Glass is something you must Improve to truly Gain Genuine Interest. Possessions like the 4:56 Mark in the 3rd Quarter Vs. Veterans Memorial exposes your off ball defense, and how you stand up and react after the catch (Shots Going In or Out has nothing to do with how College Coaches Evaluate Defensive

Consistency and Discipline) With the Speed you show on Offense, it is a must that you understand when you don't show that same speed and agility on Defense it will keep you from moving up College Coaches Boards. The Foundation, Length, and Speed are there for you to really elevate your Game and Increase Your Recruitment by being a true 2-Way Player! Offensively, continue to play to your strengths but get in extra work on shooting off the dribble and your 3pt %. Both are Streaky, but you have a good release and you are a very aggressive offensive Player so just get in the reps and keep working on your perimeter shot and mid-range pull-up. In Conclusion, the potential to play beyond HS is clearly there but there is work to be done and it starts on the Defensive End and on the Glass. You will absolutely need the Right FIT with your strengths, but we can create a starter list and target programs that you have the best chance to stand out too. You look Confident and in Command on Offense, show that same Confidence leading the Team and on Defense and those will be Games to Upload or when you get campus visits/elite camp invites go in there with the mindset that the other guard can't score on you while showcasing your Offensive Skill Set! Play with more sense of Urgency on Defense from here on out as it will matter when it comes to turning Interest to an Offer...

College Ready Games to Upload To Your Player Card:

Game #1: Game One Should Be Your Best Overall Offensive Game where You score it at all 3 Levels (You Are Streaky but Capable of Being a 3 Level Scorer) We want to highlight that in one of the Games. Perfect Game to Upload Would Be: 19-24 Points (4+ Catch and Shoot Makes) and 12+ Points in the Paint to go along with 5 Assists. Basically Your Highest Scoring Game where You score it at all 3 Levels vs a Quality Opponent

Game #2: If you can think of a Game and Select a Game where You make the most Winning Plays Without the Ball In Your Hands and have an efficient Offensive Game, that would be a good 2nd Game to have on Your Player Card before I start sharing it. Think of a Game where you felt you played your best Defense for long stretches, got 3 to 4 steals, and made big plays in the 4th Quarter on Both ends that led to a Win.

Christian Espinoza | Keys Down the Stretch

- 1. BUILD A 8 WEEK ROUTINE WORKING SOLELY ON COLLEGE READY 3PT SHOTS:** For Example 250 3pt Shots from Game Spots and Game Speed all off the Move or off the Bounce simulating shots you would take at CC Flour Bluff. Do that 4 Times a Week and you will be getting up 1000 shots that will translate to being consistent and more confident in shooting the 3 every time they leave you open. (This May Not Pay Off until After the Season on a Visit or Team Workout but it makes you much tougher to Guard)
- 2. BE A STUDENT OF THE GAME:** Watch Full Games Focusing Only on Your Consistency On and Off the Ball on Defense. Watch for the following: **On the Ball**-Are You Arm's Length and Applying Consistent Pressure **Off the Ball**-Are You In the Right Position, Knees Bent, and Before You Man Catches or Cuts Are you Anticipating or playing hard after the Catch (One Brick at a Time-Don't Watch or try to fix 20 Things at this point)
- 3. 2-WAY PLAYERS ALWAYS GET THE OFFER:** The Speed, Athleticism, Length and foundation is there, and defense is a choice that doesn't take 2 to 3 years to improve. However, it's late in the Game and bad habits are hard to break, but if you want to reach the same goal I have for you, when I get you real looks you must be prepared for the moment and guard at a much higher level. To Do So, Start tomorrow in practice and take it one practice, one possession, one game so you daily start to change those habits. If you wait to turn it on when I get you an opportunity, it will be too late to sustain and stand out. Right now we got time on our side!

The Uncommon Approach to Gaining Exposure

We use College Prep Evaluations to Elevate clients on court performance, act as a Guide to Selecting College Ready Game Films that Stand Out, and provide behind the scenes insight through the lens of a College Recruiter to enhance not only the Prospects Recruitment but Knowledge on how to Increase their Recruitment. The Midseason Assessment & College Prep Evaluation is Key heading into the Spring as we begin to Promote Prospects to college Programs that FIT and Coaches start Researching UCExposure Recruits..

College Ready Strengths | Playmaking off the bounce, finishing plays in transition, and good in catch and shoot situations (Streaky but you can see that you are more than capable of taking and making the 3 with a College Ready Release)

Areas You Must Improve | On and Off Ball Defensive Consistency and Discipline. Defensive Rebounding, and Non-Verbal Leadership Cues.

Christian's Highlight Video | Social Media Athlete Marketing

Length: 1:30-2:00 Max | 25-30 Clips

College Ready Strengths to Highlight | 15-20 Clips: I Would Focus Solely on Highlighting 12-15 clips of You Getting to the Paint in both the HC and Transition. Add your best 5-7 Catch and Shoot Makes where you are moving well without the ball and get your shot off before the Defense can recover.

Position Specific Plays that Stand Out To College Coaches | 5-10 Clips: Needs to be a lot more consistent, but select 5-7 of your best Off Ball Steals that put you in transition and 3 On Ball Pressure D where you force a Turnover or 5 second call.

Spring Semester | Targeting the Right FIT

- Based on Professional insight from Experienced College Coaches who are involved with the Recruitment of Student-Athletes, we are able to Guide our Clients on Games that will move them up College Coaches Boards, target the right FIT, and promote them throughout the Spring to the projected Levels until Interest turns to an Offer **(It just takes One)**.
 - **Offensive fit** | Up-Tempo Team that looks to score in Transition then opens up driving lanes in a 5 out type Motion where they look to attack and score early in the Possession.
 - **Defensive fit** | You are Close, and Active, so at your size any team that runs some sort of full court pressing or extends their pressure in the HC would be a good fit to target **(Start Researching Teams that Lead their League in PPG at the Projected Levels)**

MAKE NOTE: Top Prospects | Take Advantage of the Behind the Scenes Insight Until Interest turns to an Offer: The College Prep Evaluation is a Guide to Select Games to Upload to Player Cards that will 'Gain Interest', Create Your Highlight Video Showcasing College Ready Strengths that Stand Out to Coaches, and build Your Recruiting Game Plan so we can target College Programs that FIT. Interest will turn to Offers for Players that Follow their Recruiting Game Plan!

Christian Espinoza Recruiting Game Plan | Spring 2024

Follow Your Game Plan | #1 Create Your Highlight Video and Upload it to my DropBox. DM when you upload it and I will get Graphics added and post it on Socials. **#2** Select 2 Games to Upload and Start Sharing Your Player Card to College Coaches using the guide I sent on emailing Player Cards. **#3** Select 4-5 Elite Camps, Satellite Camps Hosted by College Coaches & 2 of My Camps to attend once the Season is Done. I can get you Invites to Elite Camps & Satellite Camps You choose and get you genuine looks from the Coaches.