

What coaches notice and look for outside of skill set

Kelly Surrency and Coley Pawlikowski discuss how to manage injuries and what college coaches look for other than skill while recruiting.

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Look at everything when evaluating

University athlete= note taking app (taking notes on all things not just measurables)

Interaction between athletes and coaches ...what's student athlete's engagement during timeouts, etc...

Initially look for dynamic movement, good foot speed, good arm, jump height... if these are all good then they will look at all the other qualities.

Response after a mistake- mistake on the athlete being evaluated but also that of teammates.

What is their self-confidence- how SA responds with body language but also skill wise moving onto the next play

They are evaluating to see if they can be part of the college's family, or part of their culture.

Large personalities can be a good thing, but depends on what the coach needs in their current environment and culture

Does SA have a "Short term memory" regarding mistakes?

Eye Contact is super important- sign of respect and that you're paying attention

Russ Rose: "How the SA (Student-athlete) treats their parents" if you treat parents like that, how are you going to treat me.... Pre and post matches. Potentially red flag for many coaches.

Parent Behavior- this is something that can have a negative impact on the SA's ability to get recruited.

Coaches watch the SA's parents and can be red flags if acting inappropriately.

On college visits, does parent do all the talking or does parent allow kids to speak and make mistake

Transferring is a huge problem in the college athletics world... they put stock in why athletes constantly switch between clubs. Club hopping is a red flag.

- Many coaches are now asking why? Play time? Didn't like coach? What's the reason?

- Coaches are now concerned that this attitude and mentality may follow to the college game.
- Sometimes these decisions are driven by the parents vs SA. Coaches will find out.

Level of play can have an impact on a coach's decision

They want the athletes playing at the highest level they can to show that it translates into the college game and to be challenged.