



**UC Prospect Evaluation | Jaidden Villanueva**  
**Height/Position | 5'11 Point Guard**  
**Classification/School | 2024 TLCA San Angelo**

**Date: December 20th, 2023**

**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:** NAIA Assistant Coach (6 years Experience at the D3 & NAIA Levels)

The Prospect Evaluation is the first step in creating a Recruiting Game Plan tailored to the Individual

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**Projected Level | D3 JUCO / NCAA D3**

**Potential Level | D2 JUCO / Partial NAIA (Package Academic & Athletic)**

**College Prep Evaluation:** Good Size for a lead Guard, and is at his best playmaking off the bounce or in transition. Handles pressure well by getting his opponent on his hip going downhill without getting sped up. Finishes plays at the Rim or draws 2nd line defenders when he is leading the break. Offensively, Jaidden has the ability to be more effective at making others better and making better decisions when he gets to the paint, but is more score first pass 2nd PG which needs to be more balanced moving forward. If and when he can stay in attack mode, and create 4-5 more open shots for his teammates (Assists) will make him more diverse and gain more interest from next level coaches. Defensively, he must improve in all

facets to go from Elite Varsity Player to College Level Recruit. Has the speed and is a deceptive athlete on the Offensive end, but with one semester left he must use the same speed he displays getting by opposing defenders to lock down his opponent on Defense. Especially against the level of competition, you have to dominate on both ends of the court and right now you dominate on the Offensive End. It will be too hard to beat the odds, being a one way player down the stretch and you have time and the tools it takes to finish the Year making an impact on both ends of the court. Too talented of an offensive player to not buy in at this stage to put himself in position to turn Interest to Offers. Does a great job in catch and shoot situations, and has a high basketball IQ that stands out on Game Film in his favor, but the lack of effort or intent to get stops both on and off the ball needs to improve when I make my hardest push in Mid-February. With Jaidden's ability to score it he is more of a Combo at the College Level that can play off the ball and help you at the PG Position. Lastly, he seems to leak out to on shot attempts a high % of time to get in transition instead of securing the Rebound. PG's who crash the Boards on Defense indicate 'Motor' and it leads to an instant Fast Break when your PG is active on the Glass and can secure defensive rebounds **(Avg. 4+ a Game is Realistic in the Spring)**. These are all little things that we want to gauge moving forward, as the more progress you make without the ball in your hands the more genuine interest you will start to get with your Offensive Skill Set. Just too many possessions on Game Films right now like the 2:13 Mark in the 3rd Quarter, TLCA v. Lakeview that we want to eliminate one practice, one possession, one game at a time. This Assessment is for your eyes only and for you to take advantage of what Games we must share moving forward, and how imperative it is for you to raise your level of play without the ball in your hands over the next 7-9 weeks. Unlike, improving your 3pt % which could take years of reps, the above areas mentioned or

a choice and a mindset. You have enough speed and athleticism to be much better in those areas when the time comes to get you looks, so make up your mind to dominate this Semester in all facets that have nothing to do with knocking down shots.

### **College Ready Games to Upload to Your Player Card:**

**Game #1 Offensively you are fine. Great Games that will 'Gain Interest' are ones where you grab 6+ Rebounds (4 on Defense) and have 5 or more assists to go along with scoring it!**

**Game #2:** Giving you a Gap to truly grow your Defensive Game and Mindset, the 2nd Game WHEN you have it to upload is one where you: Apply consistent ball pressure without giving up straight line drives & get 4-6 Off Ball deflections/steals or attempted charges **(Help Defensive Plays where You are in Attack Mode instead of Reacting)** Your Offense is consistent so when you feel you truly played a full 25-32 Minutes with Maximum Effort on D let's get that on your Player Card to send to College Coaches.

### **Jaidden Villanueva | Keys Moving Forward**

1. Start with very specific Stat Goals where you can gauge Progress: January Goal to Check after every 4 Games | 5+ APG 6+ RPG (4 On Defense)
2. FOLLOW YOUR GAME PLAN UNTIL CONSISTENCY FACTORS IN: We have 2 Months for you to Improve on D and on the Glass. By Only Sharing Games where you are effective in those areas, they will Gain Interest as you are a College Ready Offensive Player. In

February YOU MUST understand that when I get you looks, Coaches are going to Research 6-8 Games and call opponents so you want them to see and hear COMPETITOR, not great Offensive Player at a small school. Consistency will matter most the final 4 to 5 Games ***(We Got Time but it's Time to make that your Mindset)***

3. Keep focused on the daily process of improving. It will not happen overnight, but by selecting games to share that best represent you on both Offense and Defense while giving you the time you need to understand how important those areas are, will give us a real shot of securing an Offer.

### **Follow Your Recruiting Game Plan**

We use our Game Plans to elevate 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 our clients Recruitment but Knowledge on how to Increase their Recruitment. The Midseason Assessment & College Prep Evaluation is a key heading into the Spring as we begin to promote prospects to college programs that FIT utilizing the information provided as our Guide.

**College Ready Strengths** | Playmaking Ability and scoring it in a variety of ways off the bounce and in transition. When the game speeds up, that is when you look the best as a playmaker. Being able to create and make a high % of your Shots stands out on Film.

**Areas Exposed On Game Films** | On and Off Ball Defense Consistency in both Effort and Intent to get Stops. Rebounding it at a higher level vs the level of Comp. Those areas indicate 'Motor' and don't risk beating the Portal on being an Elite Varsity Level Offensive Player.

### **Jaiden's Highlight Video Showcasing College Ready Strengths**

**Length:** 1:30-2:00 Max | 20-25 Clips

**College Ready Strengths to Highlight: 10-15 Clips:** Catch and Shoot Makes are College Ready shots that showcase you can create and get your shot off at the next level, any clips with you making plays in transition and scoring it in a variety of ways in fast break situations will be good clips to select for this initial Highlight Video.

**Position Specific Plays that Stand Out To College Coaches: 5-10 Clips:** For Now find your 5-10 best on ball and off ball defensive Plays in the last 5 Games to add. Ultimately, like I've stated your consistency when I start calling personal relationships at the College Level on your behalf will matter most. Mix in your toughest effort plays or off ball steals after 4 Offensive Clips to create this Highlight.

### **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, not off of them.
  - **Offensive fit** | The Faster the Pace the better the FIT. If a team plays fast and shoots the 3 at a high volume that will be a good system for Jaidden to draw genuine Interest from.
  - **Defensive fit** | Again, you could truly be recruited and have several options on a team that applies full court pressure and gets out in passing lanes. You have the speed, IQ and athletic enough to fit with a program that presses and picks up 94 feet. If and when Your Defense stands out on Film and on Visits like Your Offense, this is the best FIT to target so we can secure an Offer. Keep working...

**MAKE NOTE: Top Prospects on Game Plans | Take Advantage of the Behind the**

**Scenes Insight:** The College Prep Evaluation is a Guide to Select Games to Upload to Player Cards that '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. As you progress we will promote in the Spring until Interest turns to an Offer at the Projected Levels.

### **Jaiden Villanueva's Recruiting Game Plan (Spring 2024)**

**Follow Your Recruiting Game Plan:** **#1** Find Time to Self Assess 3 Full Games from December. Select any 3 Games and watch them in their entirety alone: Focus on 2 Things while taking notes: Defensive Possessions & Defensive Rebounds (Don't watch the Game, Watch You and You alone when shots go up and on Defense) This I find has been the most effective approach at this Stage to make true progress. **#2** Write Down 1 Thing you will do Every Single Game without the Ball in your hands that leads to Wins. Put it on an Index Card as a Reminder. When You write it down, you become more accountable and your game will grow. ONE THING ONLY! **#3** YOU HAVE TIME BUT NOT ENOUGH TIME TO WAIT! No such thing as turning it on down the Stretch. By doing the above two exercises, I truly believe by February you will be playing at a whole new level and not the level of Competition. Keep growing and keep me posted when You upload a Game that will 'Gain Interest'