

How to be a Conscious Esports Player?

As Esports are becoming more passionate by the day, I would like to try and point out a few important aspects of university grade esports.

Those of you who are looking to apply to the Esports Scholarship Program at Bahcesehir University please pay attention to what I'm about to write. When we are considering an esports scholarship, we try to view the student in subject, differently from the usual.

First of all, if you are looking to get accepted via this scholarship program, you will need a strong application form. Your High school grades don't amount to much but we will be closely monitoring your university success while you are studying here. You are required to keep your grades above a certain level academically and also have your esports duty performed, all while keeping yourself socially active. Feelings of competition and respect must be ingrained in all members of the BAU eSports organization. All because we as a whole, are trying to support you in every aspect of your personal development.

I do have some advice to those who wants to be players in the Esports scene. While these are generally the requirements I'm looking for in a League of Legends player, most still apply to other games in the popular scene.

1 - Pick yourselves a role to master, and master it. Don't try to be **good** at everything when you can be the **best** at one. (For new players.)

2 - Keep your rank high in solo queue. While a high ranking alone isn't enough to justify skill, you also need to have the mentality of an athlete and combine your skill with your mindset. The issues most teams face, stems not from the lack of game skills but the lack of communication skills.

3 - Do not only play to win, rather play to improve yourself. View every game as a chance to improve yourself. Pick yourself a target and try your hardest to reach it, when you manage to keep your mistakes under control, your ranking will rise by itself.

4 - Good gameplay doesn't define a good player. You will also need to be able to watch and analyze yours'/others' gameplay. This will allow you to realize how a player with a different style compares to yourself. This will also greatly improve your team's communication, rotations, map objectives, and macro play. Team play will be gradually different from your casual solo queue.

5 - As well as being able to learn and adapt to new strategies as a team, you will also be required to critique your teammates and be able to take in their criticism.

6 - The game has a diverse champion pool. You will be required to have a general grasp of all champions played in your role. The game is updated frequently and the power level of such champions never stay constant. You need to follow the Meta game up close, and adapt even if it's outside your comfort game style.

7 - You must have a positive mentality both in and outside the game. I can't stress how important it is to be able to lift your teammates up when they are down.

If you are able to realize all these points while maintaining the cunning warrior within you, you will be a great asset to any team.

Also a few tips for those who want to graduate and have an university degree, while playing professionally/semi-professionally in the scene:

- You will soon have issues with your age and free time. Which is why you must bring your academic and educational life with you on this journey. If you couldn't manage to keep both in check, you will always regret it in your future life. Realize the importance of your education before it's too late.
- Make sure to have a talk with your coach, team manager and the owner to define the line. Make them understand school is your priority, ask for a more flexible training routine especially when there is a seasonal game split going on.
- Do some research on university courses, and pick a few schools that you are likely to be accepted. Universities usually keep all the required data on their websites.

Finally, make up a plan for yourselves and keep to it.

We wish you great luck in both your life in school and esports. If you have any questions or wish to learn more about BAUESports, check out our website or reach out to us through our social media channels.

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