Nearly eight million students play sports in high school, so let’s be realistic. The odds are against you making it to the big leagues, simply based on the numbers. And what if you have a career-ending injury?

Have a back-up plan

There are several occupations that will keep you in the game:

Coaches and Scouts • Reporters and Correspondents
Public Relations Specialists • Photographers • Athletic Trainers • Physical Therapists

### Women’s Basketball
- High school players: 399,067
- Will play in college: 4.1% (16,509)
- Will be drafted by WNBA out of college: 0.8% (31)
- High school players that will go pro: 0.0078%

### Men’s Basketball
- High school players: 540,769
- Will play in college: 3.5% (18,816)
- Will be drafted by NBA out of college: 1.2% (52)
- High school players that will go pro: 0.0096%

### Baseball
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- Will play in college: 7.5% (36,011)
- Will be drafted by MLB out of college: 9.9% (791)
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