

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Location: The Loch (Athletics Center)

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Clayton State University Athletics is a proud member of the NCAA DII and Peach Belt Conference. Consisting of 10 NCAA Division II sponsored sports, the Lakers have been one of the more successful programs competing in the Southeast Region over the years. Currently, the department sponsors men's & women's cross country, men's and women's soccer, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's indoor and outdoor track & field, and cheerleading.

In the program's relatively short 30-year history, Laker student-athletes have produced an incredible 148 National Tournament appearances, eight NCAA Regional Championships, 23 Peach Belt Conference Regular Season Championships, 44 PBC Tournament Titles and 91 All-Americans.

Highlighting those performances is the 2010-11 women's basketball program, which claimed the first NCAA Division II National Championship in program history, doing so with a commanding 69-50 victory over Michigan Tech on March 25, 2011 in St. Joseph, Missouri. Most recently, the 2024 Men's Soccer Team reached their first Elite Eight since 2010.

In 2019, for the first time in program history, Clayton State Athletics won the prestigious Peach Belt Conference President's Academic Award, given to the highest performing academic institution in the conference. That same year, Laker student-athletes earned the program's first 3.0 grade point average as a department, an achievement they have repeated each semester since. The Lakers would go on to repeat as PBC President's Academic Award winners in 2021.

In 2020, Clayton State Athletics ranked 4th in the country among NCAA DII member institutions for community engagement hours completed. That same year, women's basketball finished #2, followed by men's track and field at #5 and women's track and field at #10.

Both soccer and basketball programs play their home contests on campus at Laker Field and The Loch, respectively. Clayton State students are encouraged to support their teams by attending games, meets, and matches. Admission to home events is free for Clayton State students with a valid Laker Card. Each home game promotes in-game promotional events and concessions are available for purchase throughout the venues. Sports such as cross country and track & field compete off campus, but will often have one or more contests that are within close driving distance to Clayton State.

For coverage of everything Lakers, turn to the official online home of Clayton State Athletics (<http://www.claytonstatesports.com/>) or follow Clayton State Sports on social media. There, fans can find information on their favorite teams, schedules, rosters, and stories.

The hours of operation for Athletics are determined greatly by the season and the home schedule of events at that time of the year. For anything outside of those events, the department is open from 8 a.m. through 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, apart from national holidays.

Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday: 8:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.

Except during home games and observance of national holidays.

You may also follow the CSULaker family on Social Media on:

Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/csulakers/>), **Twitter** (<https://twitter.com/CSULakers/>), **Instagram** (https://www.instagram.com/csu_lakers/) and **YouTube** (<https://www.youtube.com/user/ClaytonStateLakers/>).