



# The American Greco-Roman Blueprint: Modernizing the Pipeline Structure

Replacing the non-existent collegiate pathway with a vertically integrated, affordable, scholastic-to-Olympic architecture.



# The Current Trajectory



## No D1 Varsity Footprint

Greco is abandoned during peak athletic development years (18–22) because the NCAA only supports folkstyle.

## Style-Switching Friction

Forcing athletes to unlearn folkstyle instincts and learn upper-body technical mastery post-college is biologically and tactically inefficient.

## The Affordability Crisis

Without school-funded support, Greco relies on expensive private clubs, pricing out working-class talent and shrinking the athlete pool.



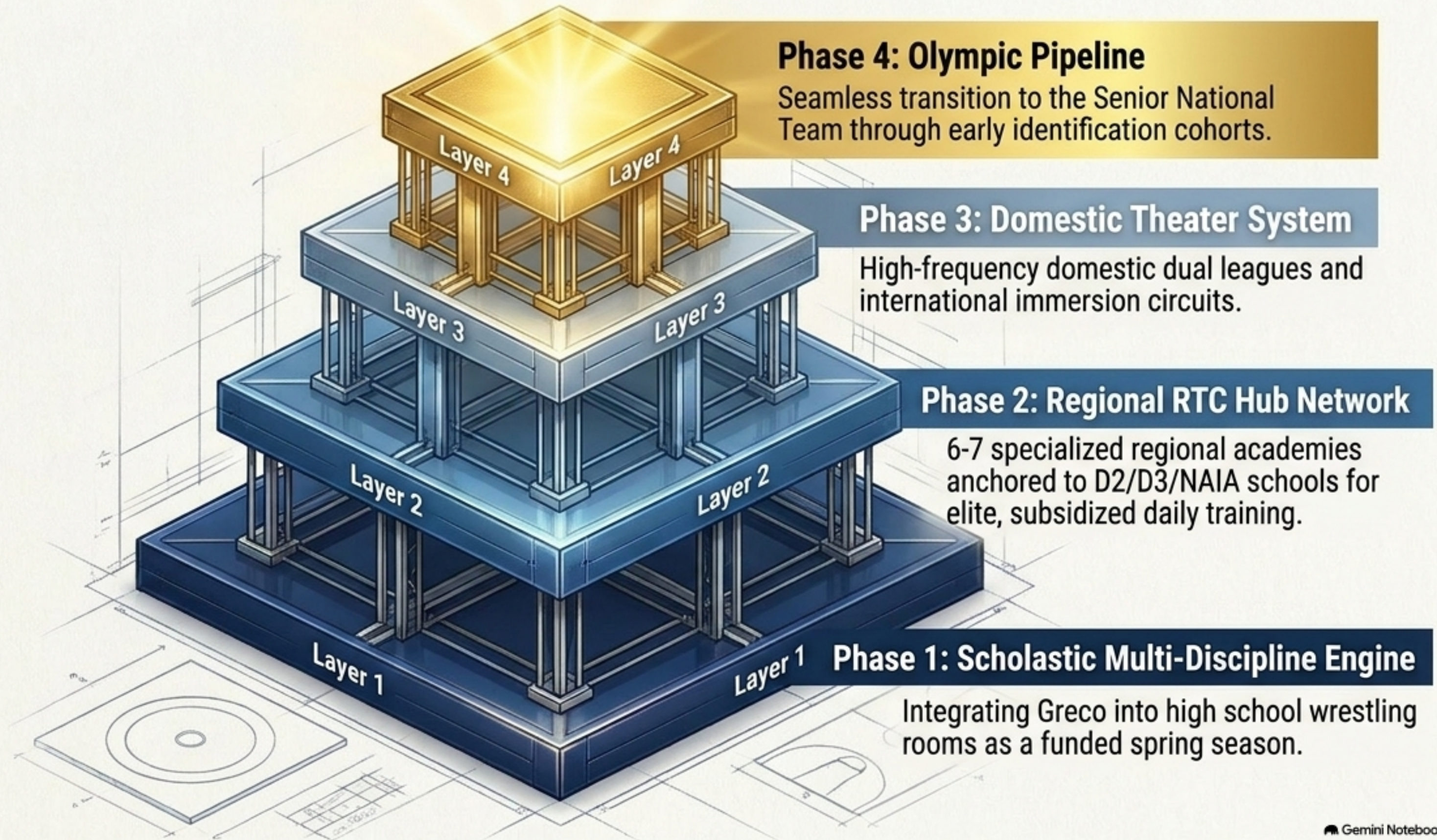
# Cross-Sport Structural Benchmarks

| Gymnastics<br>(Women's DP)                                                                                                                                | Global Soccer<br>(Academy)                                                                                                               | Track & Field / XC                                                                                                                                | Flag Football                                                                                                                                                   |
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| Non-collegiate, vertically integrated club pathway. Progression is based on training hours and technical elite testing, not age or university enrollment. | Decentralized regional hubs that are fully subsidized. Eliminates the pay-to-play economic barrier to capture raw, working-class talent. | Multi-discipline scholastic funding. Uses existing public school budgets and facilities to fund distinct seasonal events (Fall XC, Spring Track). | Rapid scholastic expansion. High school adoption triggers the 100 teams metric, forcing collegiate NCAA Emerging Sports recognition and unlocking scholarships. |

**The Blueprint Synthesis: Greco-Roman must combine the club pathway of Gymnastics, the subsidized affordability of Global Soccer, the scholastic budget model of Track, and the Title IX educational ladder of Flag Football.**



# The 4-Phase Greco-Roman Architecture





# Phase 1: The Multi-Discipline Scholastic Engine



## Zero-New-Budget Utility

Maximizes existing mats, insurance, and coaching stipends without requiring expensive private club fees.

## Dual-Sport Varsity Lettering

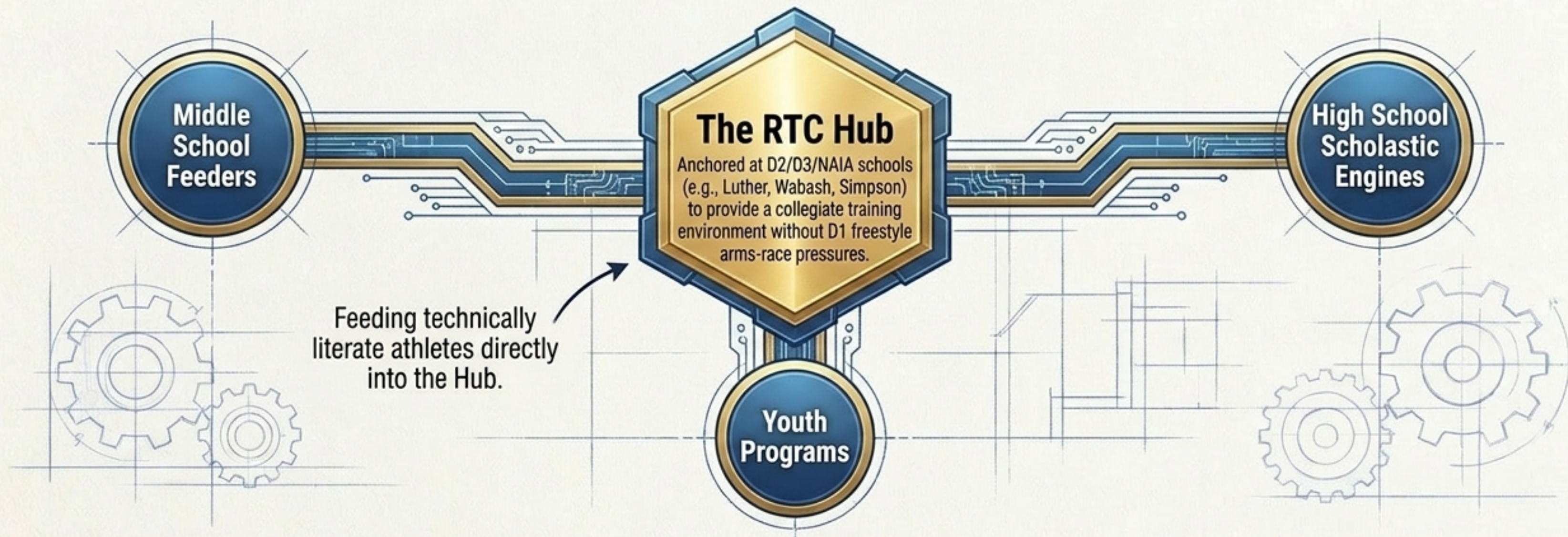
Incentivizes participation; athletes earn separate letters for Folkstyle and Greco.

## Greco Minimum Standard (GMS)

Mandatory technical reps integrated into the off-season to protect the style's purity and build technical literacy early.



# Phase 2: The Regional Training Center (RTC) Hubs



## Gymnastics/Soccer Influence

Daily hour-based technical blocks, stratified into U20 and Senior cohorts rather than age-based collegiate limits.

## The Talent Endowment Fund

Fully subsidized elite tiers. Replaces the private club financial barrier with foundation grants and corporate sponsorships to retain working-class talent.

## Unified Coaching Doctrine

Standardized cues and techniques mandated by the National Coaching Academy to ensure absolute consistency.



# Phase 3: The Domestic Theater System

## The U.S. Greco-Roman Cup (Domestic)

- A traveling league of Hub vs. Hub duals hosted by partner universities.
- Creates a high-frequency, streamable domestic theater.
- Builds regional fanbases and secures broadcast/sponsorship revenue.
- Replaces sporadic tournaments with a continuous development calendar.

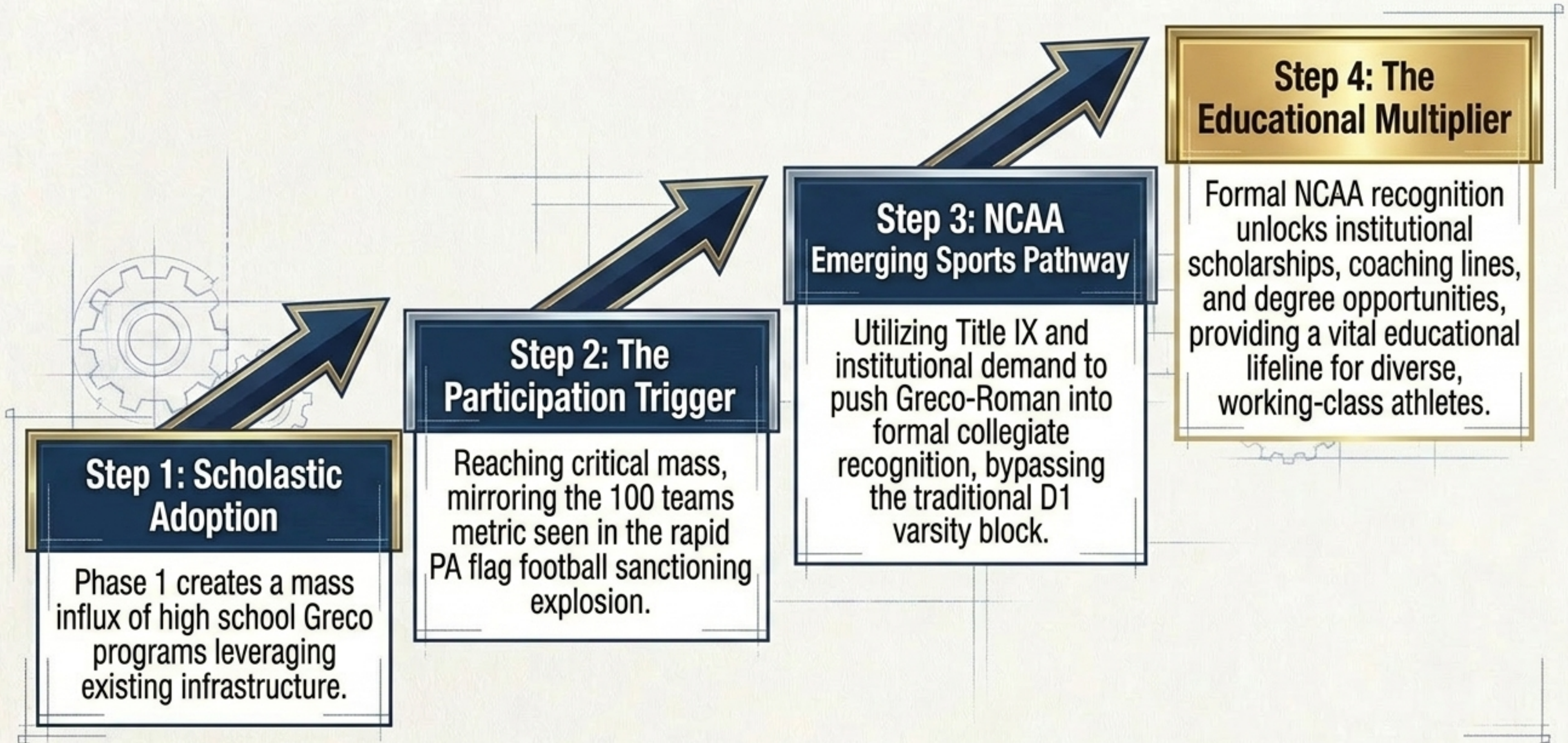


## International Immersion (Global)

- Modeled on the highly successful historical USOEC tours.
- Spring Break European Exchanges (e.g., Bulgaria U20 camps).
- Sending U.S. hubs abroad to elevate the technical ceiling through direct cultural exposure.
- Bringing foreign academies to the U.S. for collaborative immersion camps.



# The Affordability & Educational Multiplier





# Summary: The Engineered System Payoff

## The Old Paradigm

- Late transition (Post-College style switching).
- Expensive, pay-to-play private club dependency.
- Single point of failure (Reliant on non-existent D1 varsity).
- Narrow, economically restricted talent pool.

## The New Blueprint

- Early specialization via MS/HS scholastic spring seasons.
- Subsidized, affordable access via RTC Hubs.
- Distributed, resilient network of 6-7 regional academies.
- Massive talent pool fueled by Title IX and educational scholarship pathways.

**Greco-Roman success cannot be retrofitted into a collegiate model that does not exist. It must be engineered from the grassroots up.**