

Alumni, Boosters, And Friends Of Clarion University

NCAA Recruiting Rules You Should Know

Clarion University is committed to full compliance with all NCAA and Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference rules and regulations. It is our responsibility to ensure that boosters are in compliance with the NCAA guidelines. Please take a moment to read this article carefully. It is important to Clarion University and its student-athletes.

If Clarion University and/or anyone associated with the university (e.g., booster, alumnus, faculty, staff, or coach) violates an NCAA rule, the following penalties may be applied:

- ◆ The student-athlete may be declared ineligible to represent Clarion in intercollegiate athletics,
- ◆ Clarion may have to forfeit a conference and/or NCAA title, and
- ◆ The NCAA may place Clarion on probation (i.e., ineligible for championship participation)

General Recruiting Rules

Division I (Clarion's Wrestling Program): Only coaches are permitted to be involved in the off-campus recruitment process. No one else is permitted to contact a prospective student-athlete or members of his/her family by telephone, letter, or in person for the purpose of encouraging participation in athletics at Clarion University.

Division II (all Clarion programs except wrestling): Only coaches and certified athletics department staff are permitted to recruit off-campus.

Telephone calls and correspondence from individuals outside the athletics department must be coordinated by the coaching staff of each individual program.

Question	Answer NCAA Division I Rules (Clarion Wrestling)	Answer NCAA Division II Rules (All other Clarion sports)
Is it permissible for a booster to:		
✓ Make in-person, off-campus contacts with a prospect* or the prospect's relatives or legal guardians?	NO	NO
✓ Make in-person, on-campus contacts with a prospect or the prospect's relatives or legal guardians?	NO	YES - if approved by the appropriate Clarion head coach.
✓ Write a prospect or the prospect's relatives or legal guardians?	NO	YES - Permissible after Sept. 1 of the prospect's junior year in high school, and with approval from the appropriate Clarion head coach.
✓ Telephone a prospect or the prospect's relatives or legal guardians?	NO	YES - Permissible after July 1 (Aug. 15 for football) following the prospect's junior year in high school, and with the approval from the appropriate Clarion head coach.
✓ Entertain a prospect or the prospect's relatives or legal guardians?	NO	YES - Permissible only on campus and with the approval from the appropriate Clarion head coach.
✓ Observe a prospect's contest?	YES - However, contact with the prospect or prospect's relatives or legal guardians is not permitted.	YES - However, contact with the prospect or prospect's relatives or legal guardians is not permitted.
✓ Contact a prospect's coach, principal, or guidance counselor to evaluate the prospect?	NO	NO
✓ Pay for transportation (i.e., air fare, rental car, mileage) for a prospect to visit Clarion's campus?	NO	NO

* A prospect is a student who has started classes for the ninth grade