



Sycamore Sentinel

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Compliance Newsletter



Eligibility

Student-athletes must be enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies leading toward a baccalaureate degree, defined as 12 credit hours per semester. Student-athletes that have already received a baccalaureate degree must be enrolled in either 12 credit hours leading toward a second baccalaureate degree or 9 credit hours leading toward a graduate degree. Student-athletes must pass at least six hours each semester in order to be eligible to compete during the following semester. After a student athlete's fifth (5th) full time semester, those 6 hours must be "degree" credit. Freshman, don't forget you must pass 24 hours of credit between fall 2012 and fall 2013! Sophomores, juniors, and seniors, don't forget you have to meet progress towards degree requirements. Unsure of what you need? Double-check with the Academic Enrichment Staff after meeting with your primary advisor. **Football –remember your 9 hour rule!!**

Travel Parties

Coaches: Email your itinerary & travel party to Joel or Tonya before departing.

Do You Have A Twitter Account?

Coaches, staff and student athletes: Don't forget you may not Tweet about recruits coming on campus or commenting a recruit has committed to Indiana State. Communication should remain vague without mentioning names.

Recruiting Reminders

Don't forget to double-check what recruiting period you're in before heading out onto the road!

Unofficial Visits

Unofficial Visit Defined: An unofficial visit is a visit by a prospect to an institution at the prospect's expense. Below is a brief overview of regulations related to unofficial visits:

Number of Visits: A prospect may have an unlimited number of unofficial visits. Unofficial visits may NOT occur during a dead period (unless the prospect has signed an NLI). For men's and woman's basketball, no unofficial visits may be made in the month of July.

Lodging: We may not make arrangements for a prospect to staff off-campus. A prospect may stay in an enrolled student-athlete's dorm room, but must follow the institutional guidelines for such lodging (i.e., payment).

Meals: A prospect MUST ALWAYS pay the actual cost of meals (NO EXCEPTIONS). Off-campus meals may occur only during a contact period, and with a permissible recruiter. Such a meal will count as an off-campus contact.

Transportation: Transportation may be provided only in the following circumstances: (1) to visit practice or competition sites, in the prospect's sport, within 30 miles of campus, (2) to visit institutional facilities, and (3) to attend a home contest at a local facility.



Compliance In The News

- [How Serious Are Fraud Allegations at North Carolina?](#)
- [Alabama Releases NCAA Secondary Rules Violations](#)
- [3 New Ohio State Players Suspended – Improper Benefits](#)
- [Mississippi State Distancing Itself from Football Booster](#)

Monthly Compliance Rules Education for Coaches and Staff

- November 14th at 10am in HMSU 407
- December 12th at 10am in HMSU 407
- January 9th at 10am in HMSU 407

General Correspondence

General correspondence (letters or emails) that you send to recruits, their parents, coaches, or anyone affiliated with a recruit, cannot exceed 8.5 x 11 inches but can have anything you want (pictures, drawings, art, handwriting, etc.) on the front page. However, the back page and all additional pages must be black and white and limited to text only (typed or handwritten).

Institutional notecards that you send to recruits, their parents, coaches, or anyone affiliated with a recruit, may not exceed 8 1/2 by 11 inches when opened in full. In addition, such cards may only contain the institution's name and logo or an athletics logo on the outside, they must be completely blank on the inside (one side of the card when opened in full) when produced and may include only handwritten information (e.g., words, illustrations) on the inside when provided to the recipients.

Student-Athlete Handbook

Have you read through the handbook yet? If not, please click [here](#) to do so.

Pass List Reminders

All complimentary admissions offered to student-athletes and prospective student-athletes must be issued via a pass list and signed by the compliance staff before submitting to the ticket office.

Dead Period Dates

November 12th -15th for Volleyball, Basketball, Baseball, Softball, and Golf.
November 17th for Track and Cross Country.

Autographs, Memorabilia, & Awards

Student-athletes, as a reminder, you **MAY NOT** sell or exchange in trade anything given to you by Indiana State University Athletics or any award or prize that you may earn as a result of participation in intercollegiate athletics. Also, you should avoid autographing anything that is not signed by your teammates as well. People can sell items with individual signatures for a higher profit than if it is signed by others. Selling items with your signature is a violation of NCAA rules and can ruin your eligibility. Be careful!!

Did You Know: Nationwide, “Concert” appears in seven NCAA secondary violations? The violations range from student-athletes gaining free access to a concert through the athlete arena entrance used for practice, to boosters providing free luxury suite tickets to student-athletes, to student-athletes participating and promoting impermissible charity fundraiser concerts, to coaches and professors providing student-athletes with free concert tickets.

Academic Reminders: Priority Registration Dates

- November 5th** - seniors, juniors, & all honors students
- November 8th** - sophomores
- November 12th** - freshman

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Remember to Ask Before You Act!