



Tutor Tips

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WHAT IS A PROSPECT?

NCAA rules define a prospect as:

- A student in grades 9-12.
- Any student who is provided benefits from CU, even if he/she is not in the 9th grade or older (Note: This is a violation for CU).
- Any transfer eligible college student, including Junior College student-athletes.

The NCAA does not distinguish between students involved in athletics and those who are not.

- ALL students who are in grades 9-12 are considered prospects according to the NCAA.
- The same recruiting rules that apply to the senior quarterback apply to the drama club star or debate team captain.

Even if CU has signed a prospect to a National Letter of Intent, which is a binding agreement stating they will come to CU, that person has not discarded the label of "prospect" for that of "enrolled student-athlete." A student-athlete is a prospect until one of the following occurs:

- He/she enrolls and begins classes at CU
- Begins practice for that CU and is enrolled and ready to begin classes once they are in session (e.g. pre-season practice in August before classes start).

MINDY'S REMINDERS

1. Remember that a student's lack of planning *is not your emergency*. Be accommodating but know that it is the student's responsibility to schedule time in advance of final exams and papers to get support. Don't give in to a student's desperation.
2. Another reminder: **Do not** accept or work on e-mailed papers from student-athletes. Although you may be attempting to accommodate a tight time schedule the student must be present for you to help them with a written assignment.
3. Please let me know how I can support you as the semester winds down.

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