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SUMMER WORKOUTS

All summer workouts are considered VOLUNTARY. Men's and women's basketball have an exception for their 8-week summer access, but all other activities must strictly be requested by and completed by the student-athlete. Coaches should not be present in the weight room when their student-athletes are working out or in the gym, on the field, etc. when their student-athletes are participating. Only in individual sports can a coach be present if it is requested by the student-athlete.

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ELIGIBILITY CENTER

Many incoming student-athletes for the 2013 Fall semester still need to request their final amateur status from the NCAA Eligibility Center. Also, don't forget to remind your incoming students to submit their FINAL, OFFICIAL transcript with proof of graduation as soon as they graduate. All files are completed by the NCAA on a first come, first serve basis and they have thousands of student-athletes to certify this summer!

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

Student-athletes can be employed during the summer, but must report all employment to the compliance office. Even if a student-athlete is not getting paid for an internship, we must still monitor their activities. If you are or know someone who is employing a student-athlete this summer, don't forget--they must be paid the going rate for the work they are actually performing and they cannot get any special treatment or benefits that other employees do not receive.

**PROTECT
YOUR  TEAM**

BASKETBALL SUMMER ACCESS

In both men's and women's basketball, coaches are allowed to have access to their student-athletes for CARA for a maximum of 8 weeks. During those 8 weeks, they have a maximum of eight hours in which CARA can occur, with a maximum of two hours of skill instruction. A student-athlete has to either be enrolled in a summer term to participate or meet certain accelerated academic requirements to participate. This is a new rule for each team (men 2012, women 2013) that we could potentially see happen in other sports. However, until any other changes go through, only men's and women's basketball can take advantage of this extra CARA time with their team.

FALL/SPRING CERTIFICATION

Every student-athlete is certified for competition based on their fall/spring grades. While this is just one of the checkmarks for eligibility, it is very important. Each student-athlete must pass a minimum of 18 credit hours between the fall and spring to be eligible the following year. These 18 credit hours cannot be made up during the summer.

SUMMER FINANCIAL AID

Student-athletes who were on athletic scholarship during the fall/spring are eligible to receive summer athletic scholarship, pending approval from the summer school committee. A student-athlete can only receive the same proportion of summer aid as they received during the academic year.

COMPLIANCE UNSUNG HERO



JENNI BENNINGFIELD WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Jenni wins this month for being the fastest person to turn in their athletic scholarship renewals for 2013-2014. Beyond being quick to complete compliance tasks, Jenni never hesitates to ask questions and always keeps compliance in the loop with the happenings of women's basketball. Great work, Jenni!

BATON RULE

With some new NCAA legislation, the 'Baton Rule' will no longer be applicable starting August 1, 2013. However, coaches must still abide by the baton rule until that date. If a staff has their maximum number of recruiters off-campus, and one is replaced by another coach, the replaced coach must report back to campus before recruiting again. There is an exception to this rule for all sports during the months of June and July (July only for basketball). If only the permissible number of recruiters are out on one day and on the following day a different coach replaces a coach who has been recruiting, the replaced coach does not need to return to campus.