

NCAA Rule of the Month

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What can we do for the Rocky Mountain Showdown as far as visits?

The Rocky Mountain Showdown between CU and CSU will take place on August 31 at Invesco Field at Mile High Stadium. While the game is a neutral site, CU has been designated as the "home" team. Therefore, it will be a recruiting opportunity for us.

We will be able to bring prospects in for visits, both official and unofficial. However, please remember a few things about hosting prospects for this game:

- In order to get a prospect in on an **Official** Visit, the prospect must have started classes for their senior year of high school.
- If we are hosting a prospect(s) on an **Official** Visit, it is permissible for us to transport that prospect to and from Invesco Field at Mile High Stadium.
- If you are entertaining prospects before or after the game, any entertainment of prospects that occurs must be within a 30 mile radius of Boulder. The stadium is just on the edge of that radius, so if you were to take the recruit(s) south or east of Invesco Field, you would most likely leave the permissible radius.
- Please remember that if you have a prospect on an **UNOFFICIAL** visit, you would be allowed to have contact with that prospect off of CU's campus, provided they are of a permissible age to do so. Therefore, if you wanted to have dinner with the prospect at The Cheesecake Factory on the 16th Street Mall after the game you could, as long as:
 - The prospect is old enough for you to engage in permissible off-campus contact
 - The prospect and those accompanying the prospect pay all their own expenses (transportation to the meal, cost of the meal, etc.).
 - You count the contact on your recruiting logs as one of the off-campus contacts toward the prospect's limit of recruiting opportunities
- Football is the only sport that will be allowed to provide transportation to prospects they bring in on **UNOFFICIAL** visits, because it is their own contest. Other sports can still provide complimentary admissions for unofficial visits, but the prospect and those accompanying the prospect will have to provide their own transportation to the game.
- If football decides to provide transportation to the game for its **unofficial** visitors, that transportation MUST originate from CU's campus. For example, we cannot reimburse mileage to a prospect coming from Highlands Ranch or Colorado Springs. They would have to drive themselves to CU's campus, then catch a ride with us (institutional staff member must accompany the PSA) in order for us to provide transportation.

Sources: NCAA Bylaws 13.02.3, 13.4.2.5 13.6.2.1, 13.6.2.4, 13.6.7.1, 13.5.3, 13.7.2