**Recruiting Calendars: February 2016**

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**Recruiting Periods**

- **Contact Period**: Authorized staff members may make in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts and evaluations.
- **Evaluation Period**: Authorized athletics department staff may be involved in off-campus activities like assessing academic qualifications and playing abilities. In-person, off-campus contacts with prospective student-athletes are not permitted.
- **Recruiting Period (MBB Only)**: Evaluations are allowed just like during contact periods. However, evaluations of live athletic activities are limited to regularly scheduled high school, prep school, or JUCO contests and practices and regular scholastic activities where the PSA is enrolled.
- **Quiet Period**: It is only permissible to make in-person recruiting contact on campus. No in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts or evaluations may be made during the quiet period.
- **Dead Period**: It is not permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts or evaluations on or off campus or to allow official or unofficial visits to campus.

**Important Updates**

**Housing**

All incoming student-athletes for the 2016-2017 academic year should complete their housing application once they are admitted. If attending BOTH summer and the academic year, complete FALL application now, and then will have to complete the summer application when it opens, March 1st.

If there are any issues with the application, the incoming student-athletes can call housing (561) 297-2880 or email housing@fau.edu

**Academic Scholarships**

Priority consideration for academic scholarships ends February 15th (must have completed FAU application by February 15th).

**SAT Update**

The old SAT (final test given Jan. 23rd) will NOT be super-scored with new SAT (first test given Mar. 5th).

**Coach’s Owls Cup Question:** Due Thursday 1/28 @ Noon

Nick Swaglsly is a basketball prospect that signed an NLI this past November with LA University. Swaglsly lives near the LA campus and wants to begin learning the team’s workouts, plays, etc.

Which of the following is true? (cite the bylaw making it true):

A) LA University can provide Swaglsly with the team’s playbook
B) Swaglsly can sit in on film review sessions with the team
C) Swaglsly can watch on court practices, even if they are closed to the general public
D) Both A and C are true
60 Days to Apply for Admissions at FAU after signing an NLI.

NLIs must be accompanied by an Athletic Grant in Aid (AGIA). PSA must be registered with the Eligibility Center.

NLIs can be mailed (regular or express mail), NOT PRIORITY or OVERNGIHT!

Cannot be signed prior to 7am on the 1st day of the signing period (PSA time zone determines time)

NLIs must be signed within 7 days of issuance date.
   * Exception is early signing period in which it must be signed PRIOR to the end of the signing period.
   * NLI must include a parent or legal guardian signature if the prospective student-athlete is under the age of 21 regardless of marital status.

Can be returned via email or fax. FAU has 14 days to submit to C-USA for the NLI to be binding.

If a PSA does not sign with you, you are permitted to send a congratulatory message in a timely manner after the signing period.

After signing, the NLI RECRUITING BAN VIOLATION is in play. Which means:
   * All NLI member institutions and conferences must cease contact with the NLI signee and his or her family members once the PSA signs NLI.
   * Any contact in excess of an exchange of a greeting would result in an NLI Recruiting Ban Violation regardless of the conversation. The conversation does not have to result in a recruiting discussion for a violation to occur.
   * If communication is initiated by the NLI signee, the coach is obligated to ask if the student has signed an NLI and proceed to inquire with the compliance office to see if an NLI has been signed. The coach should cease communication until it is determined by the compliance office regarding the student’s NLI status.

If a sibling of an NLI signee is also a PSA, all communication by other coaches recruiting the sibling must be specific to the sibling and not the NLI signee.
Orientation Information

2016 Summer/Fall Freshman Orientation- Boca campus
Session 1 - Weds/Thurs; 5/25 – 26
Session 2 - Tues/Weds; 5/31 – 6/1
Session 3 - Tues/Weds; 6/7 – 8
Session 4 - Fri/Sat; 6/10 – 6/11
Session 5 - Mon/Tues; 6/13 – 14
Session 6 - Thurs/Fri; 6/16 – 17
Session 7 - Mon/Tues; 6/20 – 21
Session 8 - Thurs/Fri; 6/23 – 24
Session 9 - Tues/Weds; 6/28 – 29
Session 10 - Tues/Weds; 7/19 – 20
Session 11 - Fri/Sat; 7/22 – 23
Session 12 - Tues/Weds; 7/26 – 27 (hidden reserved session)
Session 13 Thurs/Fri; 8/18 – 19 (out-of-state and international session)

Jupiter campus – Honors College
8/16 - 19

2016 Summer/Fall Transfer Orientation

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- Fall 2016, classes begin August 22\textsuperscript{nd} (Monday)
- Summer C, classes begin June 27\textsuperscript{th} (Tuesday)
**Question No. 1**: May a coaching staff member have in-person contact, on- or off-campus, with a nonqualifier who is enrolled in his or her first year of college at a two-year institution after he or she commits to the coaching staff member’s institution?

**Answer**: Yes; however, it is not permissible to provide such a prospective student-athlete an official visit until he or she has completed an academic year at a two-year college.

**Question No. 2**: Is an institution required to obtain permission to contact a four-year college prospective student-athlete who has committed to the coach’s institution?

**Answer**: No. An institution that has received a four-year college prospective student-athlete’s signed acceptance of admission or a financial deposit in response to its offer of admission is not required to obtain written permission from another NCAA or NAIA four-year collegiate institution to make contact with the prospective student-athlete; however, the institution is required to obtain written permission from the four-year college prospective student-athlete’s previous institution to provide the student-athlete with athletically related financial assistance during the prospective student-athlete’s first year of full-time enrollment at that institution.

Further, if the four-year college student-athlete is transferring from an NCAA or NAIA member institution, the student-athlete’s previous institution must certify in writing that it has no objection to the student-athlete using the one-time transfer exception.

**Question No. 3**: Do the restrictions on the number of evaluations apply to a prospective student-athlete who has committed to the coach's institution?

**Answer**: Although the institution does not use an evaluation for the prospective student-athlete who has committed to the institution, a visit (without contact) to a prospective student-athlete’s educational institution counts as an evaluation for all prospective student-athletes in that sport at that educational institution.

In football, an observation that occurs during a permissible contact period counts only as a contact.

**Question No. 4**: In men's basketball, women's basketball and football, is a coaching staff member permitted to visit a prospective student-athlete's educational institution more than once per week after the prospective student-athlete commits to the coach’s institution?

**Answer**: No. While a prospective student-athlete is no longer subject to the restrictions of Bylaw 13.1 after commitment, recruiting regulations still apply to all other prospective student-athletes at the prospective student-athlete's educational institution.

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**The Mental Break**

As a compliance office, we understand that, at times, we can be a source of frustration for our coaches. This is our attempt to lighten the mood and provide relief from the daily grind.

**Sports Trivia**

1. How many NFL QBs (current and former) have thrown at least half as many TDs as Peyton Manning?
2. Who is the only NFL coach to win the Super Bowl with three different QBs?

**How Well do you Know Your Fellow Coaches?**

3. A B.S. in special education, former college walk-on and later, team captain, began his coaching career at Wayzata HS.
4. This B.S. in psychological and brain science is a South Florida native who won a HS state championship in 1999.
Progress Toward Degree Requirements

Bylaw 14.4
Putting the Eligibility Pieces Together
Credit-Hour Requirements
14.4.3

- **First-year** student-athletes must earn 24 semester credits (may include summer).
- **ALL** student-athletes must earn 18 semester hours (Fall and Spring only!)
Six-Hour Rule -- 14.4.3.1-(c)

- **ALL** student-athletes must earn at least six credit hours during the preceding semester of full-time enrollment.
- Football exception:
  - SAs must pass 9 min. credits and earn APR eligibility point in the fall semester.
Designation of Degree Program

- Each student-athlete must designate a program of studies leading toward a degree prior to participating in competition that occurs during or immediately before the third year (fifth semester) of enrollment.
- For transfers as well as continuing student-athletes.
Percentage of Degree Requirements

14.4.3.2

- A student-athlete entering his or her third year (fifth semester), must have completed 40% of the declared degree program.
- A student-athlete entering his or her fourth year must have earned 60%.
- A student-athlete entering his or her fifth year must have earned 80%.
• A student-athlete entering his or her second year of enrollment must have a cumulative GPA of at least 90% of the minimum GPA required to graduate. At FAU, that is **1.800**.

• **Third year** = 95% (**1.900**).

• **Fourth year and beyond** = 100% or **2.000**.

**GPA Requirements**

14.4.3.3
Baseball student-athletes must be eligible for competition at the beginning of the fall semester. If he is not, he shall not be eligible for competition during the entire academic year.
Questions?
NCAA Bylaw 14.5

Two Year College Transfer Regulations &
Four-Two-Four Year College Transfer Regulations
Two-Year College Transfers

• General Rule:
  • A student-athlete transferring from a two-year college must serve a year in residence.
  • To satisfy an academic year of residence, a student shall:
    • Be full time enrolled for 2 semester
      • Any student-athlete (e.g., qualifier, non-qualifier, transfer student) admitted after the 12th class day may not use that semester or quarter for the purpose of establishing residency.
Eligible for Competition in First year (Qualifiers)

• Two-year transfer who was a qualifier is eligible for competition in first year at FAU, IF:
  • Spent 1 full-time semesters at the 2 year school (excludes summer sessions)
  • Minimum 2.5 transfer GPA (this GPA can differ from the transcript GPA)
  • Averaged 12 transferrable semester hours towards any degree program at FAU for each full-time semester at the 2 year school
Eligible for Competition in First year (Non-Qualifiers)

• A two-year non-qualifier college is eligible for financial aid, practice, and competition the first academic year in residence only if:
  • Graduated from 2 year school (prior to enrollment at FAU);
  • Completed minimum of 48-semester hours of transferable credit acceptable toward any degree program at FAU including;
    • six semester hours of transferable english credit
    • three semester hours of transferable math credit and
    • three semester hours of transferable natural/physical science credit
  • Was full time for at least three semesters (excluding summer terms); and
  • Has a 2.5 transfer GPA (Transfer GPA 2.0-2.499 = Fin Aid & Practice but NO COMPETITION)
GPA Calculation & Credits

• Grades earned in all courses that are transferable to FAU shall be considered in determining the GPA requirement, regardless of the grade earned.

• Only the last grade earned in a course that has been repeated shall be included in the grade-point-average calculation.

• Only **two** PE courses may be used for minimum credit requirements (may use up to the minimum number of credits of physical education activity courses that are required for program).
Summer Limitations

• In all cases, a non-qualifier is limited to not more than 18 semester hours of transferable-degree credit earned in the summer terms.

• Not more than nine hours earned during the summer immediately prior to transferring.
Mid-Year Enrollee

• In baseball and basketball, transfers after the first term of the academic year **shall not** be eligible for competition until the ensuing academic year.

• Example: Enroll in Spring 2016, Not eligible until Fall 2016

• All other teams = immediately eligible
Multiple Two-Year Colleges

- Treated as if attended 1 two year college, except
- 25 percent of the credit hours used to fulfill the student's academic degree requirements must be earned at the two-year college that awards the degree.
Competition in Year of Transfer

• A transfer student is not eligible to compete at FAU during the segment that concludes with the NCAA championship if the student-athlete has competed at the two-year college during that segment of the same academic year in that sport.
Discontinued/Nonsponsored Sport Exception (Immediate Elig.)

- The student's original two-year college dropped the sport from its intercollegiate or never sponsored the sport on the intercollegiate level while the student was in attendance at that institution

- The student never attended any other collegiate institution that offered intercollegiate competition in that sport, and

- The student earned at least a minimum 2.5 GPA
Four-Two-Four Year College Transfers

• General Rule:
  • A student-athlete transferring from a two-year college must serve a year in residence.
Eligible for Competition in First year (4-2-4)

- Transfer GPA 2.5
  - Average of 12 hours per semester (transferable degree hours) including
    - six semester hours of transferable English credit,
    - three semester hours of transferable math credit and
    - three semester hours of transferable natural/physical science credit;
- One year elapsed since departure from 4 year school
- Graduated from 2 year college
Eligible for Competition in First year-EXCEPTIONS (4-2-4)

• Return to original 4 year school (no unfulfilled residency requirement); or

• Original 4 year never sponsored the sport, SA was a qualifier, 12 hour semester average, transfer 2.5 GPA; or

• Qualifies for a 2-4 exception and qualifies for the same 4-4 exception
Questions?
Educational Column - 1 Educational Column

Title:
Campus Visits (I)

Item Ref: 1

Date Published: September 14, 2010

Educational Column:

Editor’s Note: The list of 15 areas that must be addressed in an institution’s official and unofficial visit policies was added to this educational column on December 10, 2015, to provide additional clarification regarding the comprehensive content of these policies. The original posting date was kept for ease of reference and to maintain a date link with other transitioned educational columns for proposals adopted at the same time.

In response to several high profile recruiting incidents that occurred during the 2003-04 academic year, the NCAA Division I Board of Directors created a Task Force on Recruiting to address the application of recruiting standards. The task force was charged with conducting a thorough review of recruiting legislation and practices.

The findings of the Task Force on Recruiting noted that visits to campus are designed to provide a prospective student-athlete the opportunity to evaluate the campus environment in order to assess academic and athletics compatibility. The evaluation allows a prospective student-athlete to make an informed decision about attendance at the institution and participation in the athletics program. Specifically, the task force noted that official and unofficial visits should be used to promote the academic and athletics mission of the institution and ensure integrity in the recruiting process while placing accountability on the institution. The intent of the legislation regarding campus visits is to provide an experience for prospective student-athletes during the recruiting process that is similar to what they can expect if they enrolled as a student-athlete. An institution is expected to provide a reasonable and acceptable environment for campus visits, as opposed to creating an experience that is designed to bring attention to individual prospective student-athletes.

As a result, current legislation adopted in 2004 by the Division I membership in response to the task force findings is intended to prohibit the excesses, entitlement and celebrity associated with campus visits.

Division I institutions should note that the following provisions continue to apply to all campus visits:

1. Lodging and meals provided to a prospective student-athlete during an official visit are comparable to those received by enrolled student-athletes during the regular academic year. Lodging must be standard and may not include any upgrades or special amenities not generally available to guests (e.g., Jacuzzis, suites);

2. During official or unofficial visits, a prospective student-athlete is not permitted to engage in any game-day simulations. Further, an institution may not arrange miscellaneous personalized recruiting aides including, but not limited to, personalized jerseys and personalized audio/video scoreboard presentations. This provision also prohibits the use of decorative items and special additions to any location the prospective student-athlete will visit (e.g., locker room, hotel room, coach's office, arena) regardless of whether or not the items include the prospective student-athlete's name or picture. The areas a prospective student-athlete may visit should be maintained as they would normally appear;

3. A prospective student-athlete may not participate in team activities that would make the public or media aware of the prospective student-athlete's visit to the institution, including but not limited to, wearing game jerseys while observing practice or competition activities, running out of the tunnel with the team, celebratory walks to/around the stadium/arena, and on-field pregame celebrations. A prospective student-athlete may, however, be present in the locker room prior to or subsequent to competition and may stand on the sidelines during pregame activities prior to being seated in regular seating areas during competition;

4. An institution is required to have written policies regarding official visits that apply to student-athletes, student hosts, coaches and other athletics administrators that are approved by the institution's chancellor/president and kept on file at the institution and conference office. Further, the institution is required to have its written policies evaluated by an outside entity once every four years; and

5. A student host must be either a current student-athlete or a student designated to provide campus tours or visits to prospective students in general. In this regard, individuals are considered hosts if they are involved in traditional hosting duties such as tasks that require specific interaction with the prospect (e.g., entertaining, escorting, etc.). Individuals who are involved solely in administrative functions (e.g., stuffing envelopes, collecting unofficial visit money, handling complimentary admissions etc.) would not be considered student hosts.

Finally, each Division I chief executive officer shall sign and submit a copy of the institution’s updated official and unofficial visit policies to its conference office (independents to the NCAA compliance staff), which shall address the following areas:

1. A statement of the institution's recruiting philosophy.

2. A description of method used to develop the policies.

3. A description of the educational component (e.g., meeting with advisors, review of academic expectations, etc.).

4. A statement of the responsibilities of hosts.

5. Precommunication with prospects and parents (legal guardian).

6. Forms and receipt policies used for prospects and student hosts.

7. Participation of head coaches to communicate standards and policies.
8. No underage use of alcohol.
9. No use of drugs or sex as a recruiting device.
10. No activity that violates criminal law.
11. No gambling/gaming activities.
12. No use of strippers/use of gentlemen’s club or an equivalent.
13. Curfew, if any, and unstructured time.
14. Entertainment, on and off-campus.
15. Applicable sanctions, including a provision for an annual report of violations to the conference office (to the NCAA in the case of independents).

References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 13.6.1 (institutional policies), 13.6.7.5 (student hosts), 13.6.6 (accommodations on visit), 13.6.7.7 (meals on official visit), 13.6.7.9 (activities during official visit), 13.7.3 (activities during unofficial visit and 13.10.5 (prospective student-athlete’s visit)]

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Educational Column

Title:
Prospective Student-Athletes Participating in an Institutional Camp or Clinic in Conjunction with an Official (Paid) Visit (I)

Item Ref: 6

Date Published: January 8, 2016

Educational Column:

In general, it is permissible for a prospective student-athlete to participate in an institution's camp or clinic in conjunction with an official visit. When analyzing a prospective student-athlete's participation in the camp or clinic in conjunction with an official visit, the institution should evaluate the following:

1. Expenses (transportation and camp or clinic);
2. Length of the official visit; and
3. Recruiting activities during camp or clinic.

Scenario No. 1: Prospective student-athlete is participating in an institution's camp or clinic before starting the 48-hour period of his or her official visit.

Expenses:

• The institution may not pay for transportation expenses to travel to campus but may pay for the cost of return transportation to the prospective student-athlete's home.
• The prospective student-athlete must pay for all camp or clinic related expenses.

Length of the official visit:

• The 48-hour period begins at the conclusion of all camp or clinic activities.

Recruiting activities during camp or clinic:

• The institution's coaches may only engage in permissible recruiting conversations during the camp or clinic. All other recruiting activities are prohibited from the time the prospective student-athlete reports to the camp or clinic until the conclusion of camp or clinic activities.

Scenario No. 2: Prospective student-athlete is participating in an institution's camp or clinic during the 48-hour period of his or her official visit.

Expenses:

• The institution may pay for round-trip transportation expenses.
• The prospective student-athlete must pay for all camp or clinic related expenses, including lodging for an overnight camp or clinic and meals during a camp or clinic.

Length of the official visit:

• The 48-hour period begins when the prospective student-athlete arrives on the institution's campus unless the 48-hour time period is adjusted due to meals or lodging while in transit to the official visit.
• The prospective student-athlete's participation in camp or clinic activities must be included in the 48-hour limit.

Recruiting activities during camp or clinic:

• The institution's coaches may only engage in permissible recruiting conversations during the camp or clinic. All other recruiting activities, including official visit activities (e.g., entertainment, meals), are prohibited from the time the prospective student-athlete reports to the camp or clinic until the conclusion of camp or clinic activities. Recruiting activities during the official visit essentially pause for the duration of the camp or clinic.

Scenario No. 3: Prospective student-athlete is participating in an institution's camp or clinic after the 48-hour period of his or her official visit.

Expenses:

• The institution may pay for transportation expenses to travel to campus but may not pay for the cost of return transportation to the prospective student-athlete's home.
• The prospective student-athlete must pay for all camp or clinic related expenses and any expenses after the 48-hour period.

Length of the official visit:

• At the completion of the 48-hour period, the official visit must end, but the prospective student-athlete may remain on campus to participate in the camp or clinic.

Recruiting activities during camp or clinic:
The institution's coaches may only engage in permissible recruiting conversations during the camp or clinic. All other recruiting activities are prohibited from the time the prospective student-athlete reports to the camp or clinic until the conclusion of camp or clinic activities.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 13.1.6.2.3 (athletics events outside contact period – football and basketball), 13.5.2.1 (general restrictions), 13.6.4 (length of official visit), 13.6.4.1 (48-hour period defined), 13.6.5 (transportation on official visit), 13.12.1.5 (recruiting calendar exceptions); official interpretation (10/19/12); and staff interpretation (12/19/14)]

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