As the Fall Semester ends and the Spring Semester begins please make sure that your student-athletes are on track to be eligible to practice and compete during the Spring. Here are some reminders of what requirements are needed:

- A student-athlete must be enrolled in at least a minimum full-time program of studies to practice (unless he/she is in their final semester). [14.1.7.1]
- A student-athlete must pass 18 semester hours during an academic year (excludes summer coursework). [14.4.3.1 (b)]
- A student-athlete must pass a minimum of six semester hours during the preceding regular academic term. [14.4.3.1(c)]
- Football ONLY: Student-athletes must complete 9 hours during the fall term and earn the Academic Progress Rate eligibility point. If the football student-athlete does not meet this criterion he shall not be eligible to compete in the first four contests against outside competition in the following playing season. [14.4.3.1.6]
- A student-athlete in his/her first year of enrollment must pass a total of 24 semester hours. [Bylaw 14.4.3.1(a)]
- A maximum of 6 hours of summer school hours may be used towards the 24 hour requirement.
- A student-athlete must meet the following minimum GPAs 2nd Year – 1.8 3rd Year-1.9 4th Year and above– 2.0. [14.4.3.3]
- A student-athlete must meet the following percentage towards degree 3rd Year– 40% 4th Year– 60% 5th Year and above– 80% [14.4.3.2]

Compliance Brain Busters

1. A student-athlete may receive a meal in conjunction with a radio appearance.
   - True
   - False

2. It is permissible to conduct a medical evaluation during an official visit.
   - True
   - False

Answers on Page 2
San José State Fun Fact
In San José State’s win over Fresno State, SJSU’s 736 yards of total offense is the third most in school history.

Vacation Expenses
Per Bylaw 16.5.2(e), SJSU may provide the cost of room and board to student-athletes during official institutional vacation periods in the following circumstances. If the student-athlete lives at home during the vacation period, the cost of room and board may not be provided by SJSU, other than to permit the student-athlete to participate in team meals incidental to practice sessions. If we do not provide a meal to our student-athletes under such circumstances, a cash allowance may be provided, but may not to exceed the amount provided by us to our institutional staff members on away-from-campus trips:

1. Student-athletes who are required to remain on the institution’s campus for organized practice sessions or competition during SJSU’s vacation period.
2. Student-athletes who return to campus during SJSU’s vacation period from a SJSU competition.
3. SJSU may provide an additional meal (as opposed to the cash equivalent) to student-athletes to meet nutritional needs as a benefit incidental to participation during each day of any vacation period.

Brain Buster Answers
1. True – Bylaw 16.9.1 states an institution may provide actual and necessary expenses to a student-athlete to represent the institution in noncompetitive events [e.g., media appearances.
2. True – Bylaw 13.11.2.6 states that during a prospect’s official or unofficial visit to campus, a member institution, through its regular team or physician, may conduct a medical exam to determine the prospect’s medical qualifications to participate in athletics, provided no athletics staff member other than the athletics trainer is present, the exam does not include any test or procedure designed to measure the athletics skill of the prospect and the results of the exam are not used by the institution to deny admission of a prospect who is otherwise qualified for admission under the institution’s regular admissions criteria.

Interpretation Questions and Answers

**Question:** Can a prospect begin to travel for an official visit during a dead period?

**Answer:** Yes, per the Staff Interpretation on 4/15/1992 a member institution may provide expenses to a prospect to travel to and from the institution during the dead period, provided no part of the official visit occurs during the dead period.

**Question:** Can a countable coach call a non-qualifier in their first year at a two-year college?

**Answer:** Yes, Per NCAA Staff Interpretation on 8/24/2012 a prospect who was not a qualifier and who is enrolled in his or her first year at a two-year college may be contacted by telephone for recruiting purposes, subject to the applicable telephone calls legislation.