In accordance with Bylaw 15.2.6.3, A student-athlete may receive financial aid through an established and continuing program to aid students, provided:
(a) The recipient's choice of institutions is not restricted by the donor of the aid;
(b) There is no direct connection between the donor and the student-athlete's institution; and
(c) The financial aid is not provided by an outside sports team or organization that conducts a competitive sports program to an individual who is or has been a member of that team or organization.

At the beginning of each academic year, student-athletes complete an Outside Aid Award Form during their sport Pre-Season Team Meeting. Each student-athlete is required to indicate whether or not they will be receiving outside aid. If a student-athlete is receiving outside aid, a portion of the form must be completed by the awarding organization. It is the responsibility of the student-athlete to provide the form to the awarding organization. The awarding organization will submit the completed form to the Director of Compliance (DC).

The DC reviews each Outside Aid Form. The DC must approve the outside aid prior to the student-athlete receiving the award. If approved, the student-athlete’s award must be disbursed through the University Financial Aid and Scholarship Office (FASO). In the event the award is not permissible, the student-athlete and the awarding agency will be notified and the funds returned.

The DC reports each outside aid award to the FASO to ensure the award is reported on the student’s financial aid award summary and is counted toward their individual limit.

The DC also runs a query from MySJSU showing the financial aid summary of each student-athlete. The DC confirms that the FASO has not awarded any outside aid awards that have not been approved.

The Outside Aid Award Form is also available on the Compliance website for student-athletes to report any new awards received during the academic year.