



# The Education Wave

Tulane Athletics Compliance Newsletter

## Recruiting Calendar

### Track & Field/Cross Country

- February 8 – March 13: Contact Period
- March 14 – 16: Dead Period
- March 17 – June 10: Contact Period

### Football

- February 8 – April 14: Quiet Period

### Men's Basketball

- December 27 – March 15: Evaluation Period
- March 16 – 22: Contact Period
- March 23 – 31: Evaluation Period

### Women's Basketball

- March 1 – April 3: Contact Period

### Baseball

- March 1 – April 6: Contact Period

### Women's Volleyball

- January 19 – April 6: Contact Period

### All Other Sports

- November 16 – April 6: Contact/Eval Period

## Interp of the Month

### Submitted by:

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### Question:

May a coach send a text message to a high school coach?

### Answer:

Yes. Current NCAA legislation does not prohibit countable coaches from contacting high school coaches via text message. However, electronically transmitted correspondence that may be sent to a *prospective student-athlete* is limited to electronic mail and facsimiles. All other forms of electronically transmitted correspondence (e.g., Instant Messenger, text messaging) are prohibited.

## **March Madness: Don't Bet On It!**

Here are a few reminders regarding sports wagering and March Madness.

Student-athletes, athletics department staff members, nonathletics department staff members with responsibilities within or over the athletics department (e.g., chancellor or president, faculty athletics representative, individual to whom athletics reports) shall not knowingly participate in sports wagering activities or provide information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition.

Sports wagering includes placing, accepting or soliciting a wager (on a staff member's or student-athlete's own behalf or on the behalf of others) of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur or professional team or contest.

Student-athletes, coaches, and staff should visit the interactive sports wagering website: [www.dontbetonit.org](http://www.dontbetonit.org) prior to participation in conference championships or NCAA championships.

It is a violation of NCAA rules for student-athletes, coaches and administrators to participate in bracket contests for monetary gain when they pay an entry fee to participate.

Office pools and similar games are illegal in most states, and we have learned that these types of pools are often the entry for youth to begin betting.

The NCAA is aware of office pools in excess of \$100,000, and the magnitude of the revenue generated could negatively impact the spirit of the sport.

The NCAA wants to send a clear message that money does not have to be involved in order for the NCAA basketball tournament or other sporting contests to be fun.

The NCAA continues to work with its corporate champions and partners to encourage them to use other types of promotional games. When NCAA partners have used bracket-focused promotions, they have insisted that a random drawing component be added.

Please contact the Compliance Office with questions about NCAA rules regarding sports wagering.

## Compliance Competition Standings

Staff Division			
Department	Total Points Average	This Month's Average	Last Month's Average
Academic Services	5.00	5.00	0.00
Business & Finance	4.33	4.33	0.00
Ticket Office	3.75	3.75	0.00
Equipment Operations	2.50	2.50	0.00
Strength & Conditioning	1.67	1.67	0.00
Administration	0.75	0.75	0.00
Athletic Training	0.67	0.67	0.00
Communications	0.00	0.00	0.00
Event Management/Operations	0.00	0.00	0.00
External Affairs	0.00	0.00	0.00
Marketing Promotions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Video Operations	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sport Division			
Team	Total Points Average	This Month's Average	Last Month's Average
Women's Basketball	4.00	4.00	0.00
Women's Golf	4.00	4.00	0.00
Women's Track & Field	3.17	3.17	0.00
Men's Basketball	2.33	2.33	0.00
Baseball	0.00	0.00	0.00
Football	0.00	0.00	0.00
Volleyball	0.00	0.00	0.00
Women's Tennis	0.00	0.00	0.00

### Compliance Competition Update

After the first round of the Compliance Competition, **Academic Services** has regained the top spot in the Staff Division as it looks to rebound from last semester's disappointing second-place finish. In the Sport Division, **Women's Basketball** and **Women's Golf** are neck-and-neck to start the season. **This looks to be the most exciting and hotly contested Compliance Competition yet!**

### Correspondence, Extension, and Percentage-of-Degree, Oh My!

Correspondence, extension and credit-by-examination courses taken from an institution other than the one in which a student-athlete is enrolled as a full-time student, shall not be used in determining a student's academic standing or progress toward degree.

In the case of a transfer student, in order to fulfill NCAA credit-hour requirements, any hours of academic credit earned at any collegiate institution may be used, including credit hours earned through correspondence, extension and credit-by-examination courses taken from an institution other than the one in which the student-athlete was enrolled full time.

However, credit hours earned through correspondence, extension and credit-by-examination courses from an institution other than the one in which the student-athlete was enrolled full time may not be used to fulfill the percentage-of-degree requirements at the certifying institution for continuing and transfer student-athletes.

### Extra Benefits

An extra benefit is any special arrangement by an institutional employee (e.g. athletics department staff member or coach) or a representative of the institution's athletic interest (e.g. booster) to provide a student-athlete or the student-athlete's relatives or friends a benefit not expressly authorized by NCAA legislation. Examples of extra benefits include, but are not limited to:

- Giving money to a student-athlete
- Arranging for or providing a loan
- Providing a car or any kind of transportation
- Providing gifts, food or clothing
- Providing tickets or complimentary admissions for collegiate or professional athletic events
- Providing free or reduced price services such as housing, photocopying, telephone calls, typing services, computer disks, pencils, etc.
- Arranging or providing housing for the student-athlete's family.

If you ever have any questions about what you can or cannot provide to a student-athlete, please ask the Compliance Office before you act.

# Ask Before You Act!

