Official Visits

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- Our institution has an Official Visit Policy that must be adhered to and it is accessible via sjuspartans.com/Compliance. All official visits must be approved by the Compliance Office PRIOR to making visit arrangements (e.g., flight, accommodations).

- We may provide only one official visit per prospect and the prospect is not allowed to take more than five Official Visits in high school, the clock is reset after October 15 after the prospect’s graduation. [13.6.2.2 & 13.6.2.3]

- Official visits may not take place during a Dead Period. [13.02.5.4]

- There are no limitations on the number of official visits offered in sports other than Football (56), Basketball (12), and Baseball (25). [13.6.2.6]

- The following items are REQUIRED in order to provide a prospect an official visit a) test score(s) b) an academic transcript c) registration with the NCAA Eligibility Center d) placement on the IRL. [13.6.3]

- Once the prospect arrives on campus, the 48 hour period begins; travel to campus from an airport or lodging the night before does not count unless recruiting conversations occur. [13.6.4.1]

- The prospect may receive three complimentary admissions to an athletics event. [13.6.7.2]

- A student-athlete host may receive up to $30 for each day of the visit. If there are multiple hosts for one prospect, they may be provided the same amount on different days, but only one host may receive a free meal at a time. [13.6.7.5]

- There may be no personalized items, decorations, or simulations of gameday activity. [13.6.7.9]

- SJSU may only pay entertainment and lodging expenses for a prospect’s parent(s)/guardian(s) and spouse. Meals may be provided to parent(s)/guardian(s), spouse and children. Siblings may not be provided any expenses. [13.6.8]

Compliance Brain Busters

1. A prospect who is making an unofficial visit can eat with current student-athletes at what location?
   A. Anywhere, as long as the current student-athlete pays the bill.
   B. Only in a restaurant that is owned by a booster of the athletic department.
   C. No location, student-athletes cannot have encounters with prospects on unofficial visits.
   D. At an on-campus dining hall in which the prospect pays for the meal.

2. During an official visit, on-campus parking may be provided to the prospect.
   True False

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In accordance with Bylaw 16.11.1.5, student-athletes or an entire team may receive an occasional meal on infrequent and special occasions in one of two ways:

1. An institutional staff member may provide a student-athlete or an entire team an occasional meal under the following conditions:
   - The meal may be provided either on campus, in a restaurant in the locale of the institution or at the staff member’s home;
   - Reasonable local transportation may be provided to attend such meals; and
   - An Occasional Meal Request Form must be submitted and approved PRIOR to the meal taking place. Request Form is available on sjuspartans.com/Compliance/Forms/Bylaw 16.

2. A booster may provide a student-athlete or an entire team an occasional meal under the following conditions:
   - The meal may be provided in an individual's home (as opposed to a restaurant), on campus or at a facility that is regularly used for home competition and it may be catered;
   - A booster may provide reasonable local transportation to student-athletes to attend the meal function only if the meal function is at the home of that booster; and
   - An Occasional Meal Request Form must be submitted and approved PRIOR to the meal taking place. Request Form is available on sjuspartans.com/Compliance/Forms/Bylaw 16.

**Question:** Is it permissible for a nonqualifier in her first year at an international four-year institution to take an unofficial visit to the SJSU campus during the school year?

**Answer:** Yes, Bylaw 13.1.1.2 applies only to two-year college prospects who are nonqualifiers enrolled in the first year at a two-year college, not to four-year college enrollees. Bylaw 13.1.1.2 prohibits in person on or off campus contact with nonqualifiers in the first year at a two-year college. Permission to contact four-year college enrollees applies only to NCAA or NAIA four-year college enrollees, not to prospects enrolled at international four-year institutions. [WAC Interp 8/30/2011]

**Question:** If a prospect is leaving campus from an official visit and a coach is leaving for a recruiting trip, can they be on the same flight?

**Answer:** According to a 1/14/97 Official Interpretation, the two individuals can be on the same flight so long as the flight is a regularly scheduled commercial flight and the coach has no contact with the prospect during the flight or at the airport.