Camps and Clinics Advertisements

1. Can current student-athletes be used in camp/clinic advertisements?
   No, current student-athletes may not be used to advertise or promote camps or clinics; however, the picture of a current student-athlete may appear in the counselors section of a camp brochure identifying them as such.

2. Can there be attendance restrictions for a camp or clinic?
   Yes, but the only restrictions may be on size of camp, age, sex, and/or grade level. An institution may not restrict entrants by skill level.

3. Can SJSU advertise or promote a camp or clinic as "elite"?
   Yes, an institution may use any words or phrases to advertise or promote its Institutional camps and clinics, provided the advertisement or promotion states that the camp or clinic is open to any and all entrants.

4. May an institution conduct an "invitation only" camp?
   No. "Invitation only" camps are not permissible because attendance it is not open to any and all entrants, limited only by number, age, grade level and/or gender.

5. Is it permissible to invite certain prospects to a camp that is open to any and all entrants?
   Yes, a coach may invite certain prospects to a camp, provided the camp is open to any and all entrants. However, SJSU may not provide any type of priority registration for specific prospects. Additionally, a coach must abide by all applicable recruiting legislation when inviting certain prospects to a camp. For example, a coach may not call or write a prospect in 9th grade to extend a camp invitation.

6. May an institution provide apparel and/or other merchandise (e.g., equipment, posters, gifts) to camp or clinic participants?
   Yes, an institution may provide apparel and/or merchandise to camp and clinic participants, provided the total cost of the items is included in each camp or clinic participant’s admissions fee.

Compliance Brain Busters

1. A Volunteer coach may receive the following?
   A. 2 complimentary tickets to any sporting event
   B. A monthly stipend
   C. A housing stipend
   D. None of the above

2. A one-time transfer exception must be granted by the previous institution in order for a transfer to be eligible to compete immediately.
   True
   False

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**Quote of the Month**

“Perseverance is not a long race; it is many short races one after another.”
- Walter Elliot

**Recruiting Services Proposals**

The following Bylaw is effective IMMEDIATELY.

13.14.3.2 Sports Other Than Basketball and Football — In sports other than basketball and football, an institution may subscribe to a recruiting or scouting service involving prospects, provided the service is made available to all institutions desiring to subscribe and at the same fee rate for all subscribers. An institution is permitted to subscribe to a service that provides scholastic and/or nonscholastic video. The institution may not contract with a service in advance to have a particular contest recorded or provided.

13.14.3.2 Subscription Limited to Approved Services -- Basketball and Football. In basketball and football, an institution shall not subscribe to a recruiting or scouting service unless the service has been approved by the NCAA pursuant to an annual approval process.

**Brain Buster Answers**

1. **D– Bylaw 11.01.5-** A volunteer coach is any coach who does not receive compensation or remuneration from the athletics department or any organization funded in whole or in part by the athletics department or that is involved primarily in the promotion of the institution’s athletics program. The following provisions shall apply: a) The individual is prohibited from contacting and evaluating prospective student-athletes off campus or from scouting opponents off campus and may not perform recruiting coordination functions, b) The individual may receive a maximum of two complimentary tickets to home athletics contests in the coach’s sport or c) The individual may receive complimentary meals incidental to organized team activities or meals provided during a prospect’s official visit, provided the individual dines with the prospect.

2. **True – Bylaw 14.5.5.2.10 (d)-** If the student is transferring from an NCAA or NAIA member institution, the student’s previous institution shall certify in writing that it has no objection to the student being granted an exception to the transfer-residence requirement. If an institution receives a written request for a release from a student-athlete, the institution shall grant or deny the request within seven business days. If the institution fails to respond to the student-athlete's written request within seven business days, the release shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide a written release to the student-athlete.

**Compliance Education Sessions**

This month’s mandatory SJSU Compliance Rules Education Sessions will take place on Wednesday, February 29 from 10-11 AM and Thursday, March 1 from 2-3 PM in the Order of Sparta Room. **ALL coaching staff members, including Head Coaches, are required to attend at least one of these Sessions.**

**Interpretation Questions and Answers**

**Question:** Can a coach give an endorsement to a consulting service geared towards placing prospects with potential NCAA institutions?

**Answer:** No, NCAA Staff Interpretation on 4/1/2011 would classify this service as a recruiting service because it disseminates information to NCAA institutions. Therefore, in accordance with Bylaw 11.3.2.8, it would be impermissible for any staff member to endorse, consult, or participate in the service.

**Question:** Can a sport use a team poster to advertise for a kids camp/clinic in which no prospects will be present?

**Answer:** No, per Bylaw 12.5.1.6 a student-athlete’s name or likeness may only found in the camp brochure under the camp counselor’s section. The student-athlete’s name or likeness may be used in any other way to promote or advertise a camp or clinic.

**Question:** Can SJSU donate an old jersey to a high school to hang during an NLI signing?

**Answer:** No, per Bylaw 13.15.1.6.1 it is impermissible for an institution to donate athletics equipment (in this case a jersey) to a high school. However, an institution may provide such equipment to a charitable youth organization (YMCA, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts).