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Division II

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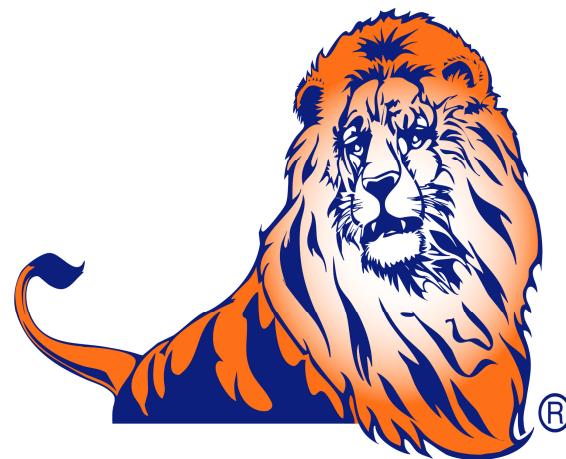
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Letter from the Office of Compliance

Welcome back to a new and exciting year!! The year 2006-2007 was a monumental year for Lincoln University (LU) athletics, and we anticipate 2007-2008 to be no different. We have been notified by the NCAA of our acceptance of Exploratory status in our transition to Division II.

With that being said, new rules and regulations have taken affect as of July 1, 2007. The All Access Granted: Compliance 101 Newsletter's purpose is to inform alumni, faculty and friends of NCAA rules and regulations.



NCAA Definitions

Lincoln University Celebrating a New Year of Excellence and Excitement!!!!!!

- **Prospect**— A “ prospect “ or “recruit” is any student who has started classes for the ninth grade. Any student who has not started classes for the ninth grade can also become a “prospect” if the student receives any benefits that LU does not provide to potential students in general. LU requests that you treat ALL students as prospects.
- **Student-Athlete**— A student-athlete is any student who was recruited by LU for athletic participation or has joined an intercollegiate team at LU.
- **Contact**— A “contact” is any face-to-face encounter between a prospect or his/her parents or legal guardians and an institutional staff member in excess of a greeting; or prearranged encounter. —Should not be made before June 15 preceding senior year and a limit of 3 in-person, Off campus contacts per prospect.
- **Recruiting**— is any solicitation of a prospect or the prospect’s family by a LU staff member or by a LU booster for the purpose of securing enrollment at LU and /or participation in a LU athletics program.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTROL: WHAT IS IT?

“Institutional Control” of Athletics is a fundamental requirement of NCAA rules. The NCAA constitution provides that each institution shall be responsible for ensuring that student-athletes, members of the institution’s staff and other individuals or groups that represent the institution’s athletics interest comply with all applicable NCAA regulations. We need your help complying with these rules.



Seasons of Competition

Over the last couple of months, many of you have inquired about what constitutes a season of competition in dealing with items such as: scrimmages, non-championship segment contests, hardship waivers, etc. The following items should give you a better idea of what constitutes the use of a season.

Bylaw 14.2.4.1 Minimum

Amount of Competition -Any competition (including a scrimmage with outside competition (except for approved two-year college scrimmage per Bylaw 14.2.4.1.1), regardless of time, during a season in an intercollegiate sport shall be counted as a competition con-

ducted by a two-year or four-year colligate institution at the varsity or sub-varsity level.

14.2.4.1.1 Exceptions-two-year College Scrimmages– Participation in a two-year college scrimmages shall be exempt from counting as a season of competition, provided the competition meets all of the following conditions:

- A. The scrimmage is approved by the two-year college;
- B. No official score is kept;
- C. No admission is charged;
- D. No official time is kept;
- E. The scrimmage is played before

the two-year college’s first regularly scheduled outside competition; and

- F. The student-athlete participates in not more than two such scrimmages or dates of competition per academic year.

“Excuses are the Tools of Incompetence that Build Monuments of Nothingness and people who specialize in them Seldom Achieve anything”

Extra Benefits: What are they and what do I need to avoid? PART 1

Bylaw 16.02.3 An extra benefit is any special arrangement by an institutional employee or a representative of the institution’s athletics interest to provide a student-athlete or the student-athlete’s relative or friend a benefit not expressly authorized by NCAA legislation. Receipt of a benefit by a student-athlete or their relatives or friends is not a violation of NCAA regulation, if it is demonstrated that the same benefit is generally available to the institution’s students and their relatives or friends or to a particular segment of the student body determined on a basis unrelated to athletic ability.

Permissible Awards to S-A’s

Individuals may receive any award prior to initial fulltime colligate enrollment. This includes any amount of prize money. For awards received while enrolled as full time student during the regular academic year, a student-athlete may only receive awards as regulated by the NCAA(rings, watches, etc.) These awards may not include cash, gift certificates, credit, etc.

Awards received by a student-athlete participating in an event while not enrolled as full-time student or during the summer while not

representing the institution, shall conform to the regulations of the organization running the event. The awards may include gift certificate but not cash.

Other permissible types of awards

- Participate Awards
- Awards for winning conference and national championships
- Local Civic Organization as long as it is recognizing the whole team

Sample Questions for Recruiting Exam



An institution may NOT bring a prospective student-athlete on an official visit until the prospective student-athlete is placed on the institution's institutional request list (IRL) and the prospective student-athlete has registered and presented a score from a PSAT, an SAT, a PLAN or an ACT to the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse

TRUE

A prospective student athlete is interested in your institution. Prior to the completion of the prospective student-athlete's sophomore year in high school, the prospective student-athlete writes to the athletics department regarding an interest, specifically, in the institution's athletics program.

It is permissible for institutional staff members (including athletics department staff members) to respond to the prospective student-athlete provided the written response does not include information that would initiate recruitment of the prospective student-athlete or include information related to the institution's athletics department.

TRUE

Each institution shall be limited to not more than ____ in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts during the academic-year prior to the prospective student-athlete signing a National Letter of Intent (or for those that do not subscribe to

the National Letter of Intent, after the signed acceptance and/

or financial aid). This limitation is per prospective student-athlete at any site [which shall include contacts made with the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardians) but shall not include contacts made during an official visit per Bylaw 13.7]

THREE

Between the opening day of a prospect's senior year of high school and September 1 following the prospect's completion of high school, what is the maximum number of official visits a prospect is permitted to take to Division I and II institutions?

FIVE

The Basics: What is a Booster?

A booster is known in NCAA terms as a "representative" of the institutions athletics interests. **You become a booster if:**

- You have ever been a member of an organization promoting LU Athletics.
- You have ever made any type of donation to LU Athletics or any other type of LU booster organization.
- You have ever assisted in evaluation or recruiting prospective student-athletes.
- You ever assisted in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes or their families.
- You ever promoted LU Athletics in any other manner.

NCAA Bylaw 13.02.12.1 mandates that when you become a booster, you retain that identity for the rest of your life. As a representative of LU athletics interests, you are bound by NCAA rules. LU is responsible for your actions.

Boosters can: provide an occasional meal to a student-athlete or an entire team. The meal must be provided at the booster's home and must be restricted to infrequent or special occasions. Please get approval for such a meal with the appropriate coach.

Also, a booster may provide summer jobs to enrolled student-athletes at a rate commensurate with the normal wage for such employment in the locality and for work actually

performed. You cannot give the student-athletes anything that is not given to other employees in general. Please also note that there are different and more restrictive rules regarding work for student-athletes during the academic year. Please do not ever employ a student-athlete without approval from LU Athletics.

Finally, a booster can continue to maintain contact with the student-athletes and their families with whom the booster has a verifiable pre-existing relationship.

To inform LU coaches of recruits, boosters may send the coaches newspaper clippings or other information regarding the recruit.

OCTOBER 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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RECRUITING CALENDAR

SEPT/7- OCT/14 (WB) Contact Period

OCT/15 (WB) Quiet Period

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OCT. (FB) Evaluation Period



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