



ADMINISTRATIVE **PROCEDURE**

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DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Athletic Drug Testing

NOTE: *Athletic Drug Testing is not mandated.*

Name, Image, Likeness, and Athletic Reputation

Prospective Student Athlete: The District will not provide a prospective student athlete with compensation in relation to the athlete's name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation.

Student Athletes: The District will not prevent a student participating in intercollegiate athletics from either earning compensation as a result of the use of the student athlete's name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation, or from obtaining professional representation by duly licensed athletic agents or attorneys. However, a student athlete may not enter into a contract that provides compensation to the student athlete for their name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation if the contract conflicts with a provision of the student athlete's team contract.

A student who enters into a contract providing compensation for use of the student's name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation must disclose the contract to the Director, Kinesiology & Athletics. If the District determines that a conflict between the student athlete's contract and the student athlete's team contract, the Director, Kinesiology & Athletics will disclose the conflict to the student or student's legal representative, if any, and identify the contractual provisions that conflict.

Any team contract entered into, modified or renewed on or after September 1, 2021 will not prevent a student athlete from using their name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation for a commercial purpose when the athlete is not engaged in official team activities.

A student athlete's scholarship eligibility will not be impacted as a result of the student earning compensation for their name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation.

The District will not revoke a student-athlete's scholarship that provides the student-athlete with the cost of attendance as a result of the student athlete earning compensation or obtaining legal representation in accordance with state law.

The College's athletics program is operated by the District and governed by the Athletic Code of the Community College League of California (C.C.L.C.) and by the constitution of the California Community College Athletic Association (3C2A), and the Inland Empire Athletic Conference (IEAC). The Dean of Health Sciences and Education, with the Director, Kinesiology & Athletics, have been delegated authority to determine individual eligibility according to C.C.L.C., 3C2A, IEAC, and District regulations. The enforcement of rulings is the responsibility of assigned members of Athletics Department staff, and the team coaches involved. General direction and administration of the program, within the established policies and procedures, is the responsibility of the Director, Kinesiology & Athletics.

The Director recruits, trains and supervises all team coaches and is responsible for oversight of eligibility, recruiting, fund raising and all requirements specified by the Constitution and Bylaws of the of the 3C2A. The Director reports directly to the Dean of Health Sciences and Education.

Rules Governing Athletic Eligibility

All rules of the Community College League of California, California Community College Athletic Association, and the Inland Empire Athletic Conference are applicable to the College's athletes, and in addition:

- each athlete must have completed both the District and conference eligibility procedures before becoming eligible for any contest, game, meet, match, or scrimmage, including completion of and signature on the College of the Desert declaration form regarding California Education Code 67362 which prohibits participation in intercollegiate athletics by a student athlete who has been convicted as an adult of specified crimes;
- the College's Athletics Department fully complies with California Community College Athletic Association bylaw articles 1.5.4 F & G regarding adherence to the Title IX Education Amendments of 1972;
- when an athlete is ruled ineligible, said athlete may not participate until the Director, Kinesiology & Athletics or their designee certifies that the athlete has become eligible; and,
- each athlete must complete the District physical, or equivalent, and be approved for competition by a College of the Desert Athletic Trainer before participation in a College practice or official competition.

References:

Education Code Sections 66271.6, 66271.8, 67360 et seq., 67456, and 78223;
20 U.S. Code Sections 1681 et seq.;
Community College Athletic Association (3C2A) Constitution and Bylaws

Administrator: VP Student Services

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