

# SUN DEVIL COMPLIANCE

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# **NIL LEGISLATIVE UPDATES**

The NCAA Division I Council approved the Student-Athlete NIL Protection proposal package with an August 1, 2024 effective date. Most importantly, these rules:

- 1. Establish a voluntary registration process with the NCAA for agents and other NIL professional service providers (e.g., financial advisors);
- Require mandatory student-athlete disclosure of certain information relating to an NIL
  agreement over \$600 to the institution no later than 30 days after entering or signing the
  agreement. A prospect will be required to disclose specified information related to all
  current or expired NIL agreements 30 days after enrollment at an institution; and
- 3. Require an institution to develop a comprehensive NIL education plan for prospects, student-athletes, and professional service providers to assist them in navigating the NIL environment.

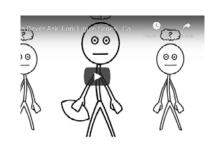
In addition, the NCAA Division I Council introduced legislation relating to the role of institutions in NIL activities for a membership vote as early as April 2024. More information regarding these concepts can be found by clicking <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

The Compliance Office will continue to provide SDA and its constituents updates throughout this legislative process.

# **SUPER BOWL: DON'T BET ON IT!**

SDA staff members and student-athletes are prohibited from betting anything of value (e.g., money) on any sporting event (college, professional, or otherwise), in which the NCAA conducts championships. This includes Super Bowl prop bets and point squares that require entry fees.

For more information, click on the Compliance Office's sports wagering video to the right.



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## IN THE NEWS

Florida State University

Florida State University was penalized by the Committee on Infractions for violations in the football program relating to recruiting inducements and NIL.

- An assistant football coach facilitated a meeting between a transfer prospect, the prospect's parents, and a booster (the president of the collective) during the prospect's official visit to campus.
- The assistant coach did not attend the meeting and was not aware of the details.
- During the meeting, the booster encouraged the prospect to enroll at FSU and offered the prospect approximately \$15,000 a month for a period of at least one year.
- Following the meeting, the booster had communications with the prospect and his mother.
- The prospect withdrew his name from the transfer portal and remained at his original institution.

Penalties for the university include reductions of 5 football scholarships, 13 official visits, 6 fall evaluation days, and 18 spring contact period days. In addition, the entire football staff received a 6-week recruiting communication ban that must include the first week the next transfer portal window opens.

Penalties for the booster and collective include disassociation of the booster for three years and disassociation of the collective for one year.

#### **KEY TAKEAWAYS:**

- Penalties relating to an NIL recruiting inducement case are severe.
- Fact patterns in NIL recruiting inducement cases that include a coach or staff member facilitating the meeting between a prospect and the collective (or other boosters) will enhance the penalties.
- Members of the collective are considered boosters under NCAA rules. So these individuals are not allowed to talk to prospects at anytime. At ASU, the Compliance Office will let the Sun Angel Collective staff members know when it is permissible for the collective talk to a new student-athlete.

# **NIL REMINDERS**

#### Point of contact:

For NIL questions, situations, or scenarios, please reach out to the SDA Altius GM - Rachael Bacchus. Her office is located on the 6th floor of CSAC. Her email is rachael.bacchus@altiussp.com, and her phone number is 407.619.6537.

#### Institutional/Coach/Staff Member Involvement in NIL:

Coaches and staff are encouraged to read through the NCAA guidance found by clicking <u>here</u> relating to institutional involvement with student-athlete NIL activities as well as with the Sun Angel Collective. Key highlights are:

- 1. Coaches and staff cannot personally donate to the Sun Angel Collective.
- 2. Coaches and staff can purchase a student-athlete's product (e.g., t-shirt) so long as the value is de minimis (e.g., a coach can buy a t-shirt, but a coach cannot buy a box of t-shirts from the student-athlete).
- 3. Coaches and staff can connect a student-athlete with a business owner (through Rachael), but coaches and staff cannot negotiate any deal between the student-athlete and the business.

### **SPOT THE VIOLATION**

Quincy Quarterback and his friends, Randy Runningback and Sammy Safety have been invited to a family Super Bowl party at Quincy's uncle's house. Quincy's uncle has a Super Bowl point square board available with a \$5 per square buy-in. Quincy, Randy, and Sammy each buy two squares to help make the game more enjoyable.

# **CAMPS AND CLINICS**

Any camp or clinic owned by an SDA employee is an institutional camp under NCAA legislation. Noninstitutional camps are those owned or operated by other coaches or groups outside of SDA. The following details some of the main NCAA rules and regulations relating to camps.

#### **Attendance Requirements**

- Must be open to any and all entrants (limited only by number, age, grade, and/or gender).
- No free or reduced admission for prospects.
- May invite specific prospects who are eligible to receive recruiting materials (juniors and seniors in high school) provided the camp is legitimately advertised.

#### **Advertisements, Apparel, and Awards**

- All camps must be advertised as open to any all for at least 14 days before the start of the camp.
- Camps may provide apparel and awards to campers, but only if the costs are included in the camp admission or registration fees.

#### **Noninstitutional (Outside) Camps**

- Coaches and staff must obtain approval from the Compliance Office before committing to work at noninstitutional camps. Please start the process by submitting the ARMS Camp/Clinic Request (Outside) workflow.
- Noninstitutional camps must meet all institutional camp legislative requirements (e.g., open to any and all, advertised for at least 14 days, include instruction, etc.).

#### **Student-Athlete Employment**

- May work at institutional and noninstitutional camps. NOTE: International student-athletes may NOT work camps because ASU camps are not considered on-campus employment.
- May be featured in camp advertisements (e.g., name, image, likeness) only in the Staff section.
- Must be paid going rate.

# **GEAR AND PROSPECTS**



Generally, institutions may not provide gear to prospects or their guests. If there is a health and safety concern (e.g. extreme rain, torrential downpour), SDA may loan gear on an issue and retrieval basis. The requesting coach or director of ops must fill out checkout and retrieval form and work with the Compliance Office before loans are made.

### **AND THE ANSWER IS...**

Because there is an entry fee to participate, the Super Bowl point square is impermissible. SDA staff members and student-athletes are prohibited from betting anything of value (e.g., money) on any sporting event—college, professional, or otherwise—in which the NCAA conducts championships. This includes Super Bowl prop bets and point squares that require entry fees.

# **RECRUITING CALENDARS**

For information about permissible dates for various recruiting activities, check out our Recruiting 101 tip sheet, available <a href="here">here</a>. And please see sport recruiting calendars listed below.

# **FEBRUARY 2024**

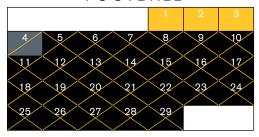
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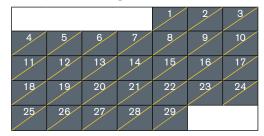




#### FOOTBALL



#### BASEBALL



#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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#### VOLLEYBALL

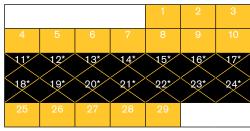
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Softball evaluations only at scholastic practices and competitions.

#### SWIMMING/DIVING



\*Recruiting shutdown period: No visits, offcampus recruiting, emails, texts, phone calls, etc.

#### ALL OTHER SPORTS

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Please note this table has dates that run until February 29. Many of the periods run past February 29. Visit the NCAA Recruiting Calendars website for full recruiting calendars and NCAA sport-specific recruiting guides.