

Contacts with Enrolled Student-Athletes

The NCAA defines a student-athlete as one whose enrollment was solicited by a member of the athletics staff or other representative of Marist athletics interests with a view toward the student's ultimate participation in the Marist intercollegiate athletics program. Any other student becomes a student-athlete only when the student reports for a Marist athletic team.

With this in mind, here are some basic do's and don'ts with regard to contacting enrolled student-athletes.

YOU MAY NOT provide a student-athlete, or his or her friends or family members, any benefits or special arrangements.

YOU MAY NOT provide room, board or transportation to a student-athlete, or his or her friends or family, members at ANY time.

YOU MAY NOT expend funds to entertain student-athletes, or their friends or relatives. You can't even buy a soda or cup of coffee for them.

YOU MAY NOT use the name, picture or appearance of a student-athlete to directly advertise or promote the sale of or use of a commercial product or service.

YOU MAY NOT use the name, picture or appearance of a student-athlete to promote an educational or charitable cause until the Marist Athletic Department has approved it.

YOU MAY NOT provide or assist a student-athlete, or his or her friends or family members, in obtaining a loan of ANY kind.

YOU MAY NOT allow a student-athlete, or his or her friends or family members, to use your telephone to make free local or long distance calls.

YOU MAY NOT employ or arrange for the employment of a student-athlete without first checking with the Marist Athletic Department.

YOU MAY NOT employ student-athletes at a rate greater than the standard rate for similar jobs in your area.

YOU MAY NOT provide a student-athlete, or his or her friends or family members, ANY payment of expense or loan of any automobile at ANY time.

YOU MAY NOT allow a student-athlete, or his or her friends or family members, to use your facsimile machine for making or receiving transmissions.

YOU MAY NOT provide awards or gifts to a student-athlete for his or her athletic performance.

YOU MAY invite a student-athlete to your home for a meal but only for a special occasion (e.g., birthday). Remember that only you can provide the student-athlete transportation if needed.

YOU MAY invite a team for dinner or to meet with a group of alumni in a city where they are competing away from home. The NCAA permits student-athletes, as a team, to receive special benefits not permitted as individuals. Arrangements for such events must be made in advance with the Athletic Department.

YOU MAY establish relationships with student-athletes, as they and you are a part of the Marist community.