

Begins Thursday, September 1, 2022

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Evaluations

Evaluation Period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 56 Evaluation days in September, October and November (Thursday, Sept. 1 – Saturday, Nov. 26): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Days must be on file in the AD’s office Limited to one evaluation per prospect If coach attends a football game, an evaluation for all prospects on both teams has occurred Multiple evaluations made during same calendar day counts as one evaluation All 11 countable coaches can be on the road during this period
Restrictions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direct contact with a prospect (“bump”) or their family members is impermissible No more than 2 coaches may visit a school on any calendar day
Locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regularly scheduled high school, prep school, and JUCO contests and practices Regular scholastic activities involving prospects enrolled only in the school at which the scholastic activities are taking place Events organized and conducted solely by the applicable state high school, prep school or JUCO athletics associations other than all-star contest and associated activities (e.g., practices, banquets, clinics).

Best Practices

Secondary Violation Penalties

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educate HS coaching staff & PSAs on NCAA rules prior to visiting HS campus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Example to coach: “As a reminder, it’s an evaluation period, & I can’t have contact with any prospects.” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May also want to remind coach a prospect cannot escort you from lobby to coach’s office. Example to PSA: “Hey John, I’m coming to your school tomorrow to meet with your coach. I can’t talk with you because of NCAA rules, but I wanted you to know I was coming.” If HS coach tries to arrange face-to-face meeting, you need to put in writing you cannot meet with PSAs If you have face-to-face contact with PSA, your greeting should include NCAA rules <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Example: Hey John, NCAA rules don’t allow me to speak with you, but it was good seeing you. <p>**Keep messages for documentation purposes**</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> HC took picture with PSA. HC did not know who PSA was and school was not recruiting PSA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-imposed 2 for 1 contact (counted contact, reduced remaining contacts by 1) NCAA reduced evaluations by 4 Other violations where pictures were taken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard penalty 2 for 1 contact with PSA involved and reduced evaluations by 4 NCAA stance is that contact occurs when picture is taken, regardless of verbal exchange Pulled the coach off the road 10 – 30 days Assistant Principal arranged for PSA to meet assistant coach in lobby. School policy required coach to remain in lobby to be escorted to football coach’s office. While waiting coach had conversation with multiple PSAs which exceeded a greeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assistant coach was suspended for one game Reduced contacts with PSAs (2 for 1)
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Reminders	
Text Messages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unlimited beginning September 1 of PSA's junior year (2024) • Please remember to respond to an unknown number with NCAA rules. Keep these messages for documentation purposes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Example: I don't know this number, but NCAA rules do not allow coaches to send text messages to prospects until September 1 of your junior year
Phone Calls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once per week during eval period beginning September 1 of a PSA's senior year (2023) • Who may call: Countable coaches, noncoaching staff members who have received recruiting rules education, student-athletes.
NIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any NIL Collective should not be speaking/corresponding with any PSAs.
Cautionary Tales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nebraska Football <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Accusation – Improper use of noncoaching staff member ○ Must abide by designated duties (only countable coaches may coach).