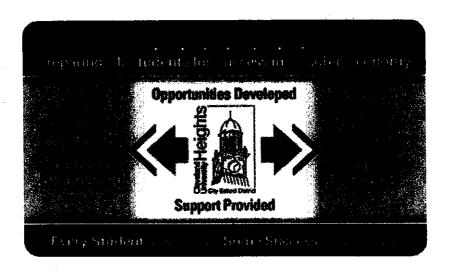
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# **AGENDA**



# **MISSION STATEMENT**

To assist student athletes in the achievement of academic excellence and to compete at the highest level while promoting the development of leadership, good sportsmanship and respect for others.

# THE SUCCESSFUL STUDENT ATHLETE NEEDS TO BE BALANCED Establishing Eligibility The Ohio High School Athletic Association

- Current enrollment and must have been enrolled in school the immediately preceding grading period
- Passing grades in a minimum of five(5) one-credit courses or the equivalent, each one of which counts toward graduation

# **Heights Standard**

- · Maintain 2.0 GPA
- Cannot receive more than one (1) F at the conclusion of a grading period regardless of GPA
- Advancement from eighth grade must have passed 75% of those subjects carried the preceding grading period in which the student was enrolled.

# ATHLETIC ASSOCIATIONS

- National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)
- National Association Of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA)
- National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA)

# Register with the NCAA Eligibility Center

- S tarting at the beginning of your junior year:
  - ·Log on to www.ncaaclearinghouse.net.
  - Select "Prospective Student-Athletes."
  - Register as a U.S. or international student-athlete.
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## **Eligibility Center Certification Process**

- The application fee is \$60.00. (Use Visa or Master Card). You may see Mrs. McCauley or Mrs. Frank for the eligibility criteria for a fee waiver.
- \*Use only the Cleveland Heights High School Code: 361445
- Record you PIN for future reference. You will need this number when communicating with the Eligibility Center.
- Print and sign the NCAA Transcript Release Authorization copies 1 and 2.

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## **Eligibility Center Certification Process**

- Submit both forms to the Registrar, Mrs. Thornton in the Main Office. (You may leave your PIN with Mrs. Thornton to be used solely for the EC).
- Be sure to submit Copy 2 of the Transcript Release Authorization form which authorizes Mrs. Thornton to send you final transcript.
- When taking the ACT or SAT, request test scores to be sent directly to the Eligibility Center by using code "9999". SAT/ACT scores on your high school transcripts will not be accepted as official by the EC.
- · All small schools use the same high school code.

# **AMATEURISM**

#### Complete the Amateurism Questionnaire

- When you register, be sure to complete the amateurism questionnaire.
- Log in and click on "Enter/Update Amateur Questionnaire."
- Answer the questions honestly. Don't let anyone else complete this for you.
- Review your amateurism questionnaire responses and request final amateurism certification during your senior year (beginning April 1 for fall enrollees and beginning October 1 for spring enrollees).
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## **Amateurism**

- The Eligibility Center encourages you to update your athletics participation information often, especially if you participate in events outside your normal high school season.
- Meet with your high school guidance counselor often.
- Stay college eligible –always ask before you act!
- NCAA Amateurism Certification Web site: www1.ncaa.org/membership/ach/index.html.
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# **Definition of a Core Course**

- · A course that qualifies for high school graduation in one or more of the following: English, mathematics, natural or physical science, social science, foreign language or non-doctrinal religion or philosophy;
- ·Is considered four-year college preparatory;
- ·is taught at or above the high school's regular academic level;
- •For mathematics courses, is at the level of Algebra I or a higher level mathematics course; and
- •is taught by a qualified instructor as defined by the appropriate academic authority.

# CORE COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- 4 years English
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  3 years math (Algebra 1 or higher)
  2 years natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school)
  1 year additional English, math or natural/physical science
  2 years social spiance
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   2 years social science
   4 years additional courses (from any area above, foreign language or non-doctrinal religion/philosophy)
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- 2 years math (Algebra I or higher)
- 2 years natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school)
- 2 years additional English, math or natural/physical science
- ·2 years social science
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   3 years additional courses (from any area above, foreign language or non-doctrinal religion/philosophy)

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## **Core-Course Requirements**

- Division III
  - Contact the respective college or university regarding its academic and amateurism policies.

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# Take the ACT and/or SAT

- •Be sure to enter "9999" code when registering for the ACT or SAT.
- •This requests for your official test scores to be sent directly to the Eligibility Center.

# The College Application Process Topics for discussion

- · Make sports only one part of the decision.
- Students should look at colleges where they can be admitted.
- · Recruitment.
- · Summer camps.
- · Review college sports rosters.
- · Athletic graduation rate.
- · Number of athletes on campus.
- Rapport with the college coach.

# PROSPECTIVE STUDENT ATHLETES (PSA's)

#### · What Do I Need To Do?

- · Grade 9
  - Verify with your high school guidance counselor and the online core-course listing to
  - make sure you are on track.
- · Grade 10
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  - make sure you are on track.
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# PROSPECTIVE STUDENT ATHLETES (PSA's) · Grade 11 - Register with the eligibility center. Make sure you are still on course to meet core-course requirements (verify you have the correct number of core courses and that the core courses are on your high school's - 48-H with the eligibility center). After your junior year, have your high school guidance counselor send a copy of your transcript. If you have attended any other high schools, make sure a transcript is sent to the eligibility center from each high school. When taking the ACT or SAT, request test scores to be sent to the eligibility center (the code is "9999"). Begin your amateurism questionnaire. PROSPECTIVE STUDENT ATHLETES (PSA's) · Grade 12 - When taking the ACT or SAT, request test scores to be sent to the eligibility center (the code is "9999"). - Complete amateurism questionnaire and sign the final authorization signature online on or after April 1 if you are expecting to enroll in college in the fall semester. (If you are expecting to enroll for spring semester, sign the final authorization signature on or after October 1 of the year prior to enrollment.) Have your high school guidance counselor send a final transcript with proof of graduation to the eligibility **Family Privacy Act** · The Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act mandates that school have written permission from a parent or eligible student in order to release confidential information regarding a student's record.

## Resources

- -Ncaastudent.org for the 2008-09 Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete.
- •NCAA.org -- Under "Legislation & Governance" section, click on "Eligibility and Recruiting" and then click on "Information for College-Bound Student-Athletes and Parents."
- Ncaaclearinghouse.net.
- Act.org.
- ·Collegeboard.com.

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# Amateurism Red Flags **ALWAYS ASK BEFORE YOU ACT!**

## Ask questions before:

- Signing a contract with a professional team.
   Receiving money for participating in athletics.
   Receiving prize money above actual and necessary expenses.
- Playing with professional athletes.
   Trying out, practicing or competing with a professional team.
- Receiving benefits from an agent or prospective agent.
- Agreeing to be represented by an agent.
   Participating in organized competition after your first opportunity to enroll in college.

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