

Common Questions

Am I a booster/athletic representative?

You are a representative of Embry-Riddle Athletics interests (booster), under any of the following conditions:

You are a member of ANY organization that promotes ERAU Athletics.
You have made financial contributions to ERAU Athletics or to an athletics booster organization. You have provided benefits (e.g., summer jobs or occasional meals) to enrolled student athletes or their families.
You are a former student-athlete at ERAU.

What happens if an individual commits an NCAA Violation?

All Violations carry penalties. Student-athletes may lose eligibility, be withheld from competition, or be required to pay financial restitution. Coaches and staff may be reprimanded and prohibited from recruiting activities. Boosters may be subject to a loss of benefits and privileges, including the revocation of season tickets and in severe cases disassociation from the institution.

Is Embry-Riddle responsible for the actions of its alumni, boosters, and friends?

Yes. Alumni, friends and boosters are governed by the same NCAA and institutional rules as those placed upon institutional staff members.

What is an Extra Benefit?

An extra benefit would include provision of any transportation, meals, clothes, entertainment, preferential loan terms, free legal advice or other benefits offered to an enrolled or prospective student-athlete that is unavailable to the general student population. A student-athlete may not be treated any differently than a student who does not participate in athletics.

May a prospective student-athlete call an alumnus or booster?

Yes, an alumnus or booster may have telephone conversation with a prospective student-athlete ONLY if the prospect initiates the call. The telephone call may not be pre-arranged by an institutional staff member, and the alumnus or booster is not permitted to have a recruiting conversation with the prospect, but may exhibit normal civility. The alumnus or booster must refer all questions regarding the University's athletic program to the Athletic Department.

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Reference Guide to NCAA DII

Rules & Regulations

To assist alumni and friends in complying with NCAA regulations governing the conduct of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University's Athletic Programs.



ERAU Athletics

Location: Daytona Beach, Fla.
Founded: 1926
Enrollment: 6,000
Nickname: Eagles
Colors: Royal Blue and Gold
Affiliation: NCAA DII
Conference: Sunshine State
President: Dr. Barry Butler
Director of Athletics: John Phillips
Athletic Department: 386.323.5000

Am I an Athletics Representative?

Yes, If you:

- ◆ Are or ever have been a member of an organization promoting ERAU Athletics Programs.
- ◆ Have ever made a donation to ERAU Athletics
- ◆ Have ever helped to arrange or provide summer employment for an enrolled student-athlete.
- ◆ Have ever contacted a high school student for the ERAU athletics program.
- ◆ Have ever assisted in providing any benefits to enrolled student-athletes or their families.
- ◆ Have ever been involved in anyway with ERAU athletics

Do's and Don'ts

Contacts with Currently Enrolled Student-Athletes

Don't

- ◆ Provide a student-athlete, their relatives or friends any benefit or special arrangement (e.g., use of an automobile, promise of employment after graduation, discounted prices or free services or products to a student-athlete). The NCAA considers these "extra benefits" and they are specifically prohibited.
- ◆ Provide payment of any expenses (e.g., room, board, transportation) for friends or relatives to visit the student-athletes where they are enrolled.
- ◆ Expend funds to entertain student-athletes, their friends or relatives.
- ◆ Use the name or picture of an enrolled student-athlete to directly advertise, recommend or promote sales or the use of a commercial product or service of any kind.
- ◆ Provide any payment of expense or loan of any automobile for a student-athlete.
- ◆ Provide awards or gifts to student-athletes for their athletic performance. All awards must conform to NCAA regulations and must be approved by the institution.

Do

- ◆ Feel free to invite a student-athlete to your home for a home cooked meal but only infrequently on special occasions (e.g., birthday, Thanksgiving). Also, you may provide transportation for the student-athlete to attend the meal function at your home.
- ◆ Feel free to invite a team for dinner at your home or to meet with a group of alumni in a city where they are competing. 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.

Do's and Don'ts

Employment of Prospects and Enrolled Student-Athletes

Don't

- ◆ Employ or arrange for the employment of a prospect or enrolled student-athlete without checking first with the athletic department.
- ◆ Provide transportation for prospects or student-athletes whom you employ unless transportation is provided for all other employees.
- ◆ Provide student-athletes employment during the academic year without contacting the athletic department.
- ◆ Hire a student-athlete based on his or her athletic ability.

Do

- ◆ Pay student-athletes employed by you only for work actually performed and at the same rate for similar services in the community and your own business.
- ◆ Notify the athletic department of employment possibilities for student-athletes.

