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### Multiyear scholarship rule narrowly upheld.

Multiyear scholarship legislation, one of several measures the Division I Board of Directors adopted in the wake of an August 2011 presidential retreat, was upheld in a membership override vote that concluded Friday, February 17, 2012.

As such, Division I schools will have the option to offer scholarships guaranteed for more than one year. Of 330 institutions voting, 62.12% percent voted to override the legislation. A 62.5% majority of those voting was required to override legislation. More than 90% of Division I institutions voted.

"I am pleased that student-athletes will continue to benefit from the ability of institutions to offer athletics aid for more than one year, but it's clear that there are significant portions of the membership with legitimate concerns," NCAA President Mark Emmert said. "As we continue to examine implementation of the rule, we want to work with the membership to address those concerns."

Middle Tennessee State President Sidney McPhee, who chaired the student-athlete well-being working group that proposed multiyear grants, said his group will continue to work to address concerns identified by the membership through the override.

"Now is the time for us to work together on other measures to

benefit studentathletes," NCAA.org McPhee said. "As February 17, 2012 the reform effort continues, we will engage more closely with the membership on potential proposals and policy changes."

To that end, both the rules and enforcement working groups have provided the membership with extensive documentation of their discussions to date and draft proposals for review and comment. Both groups are requesting feedback from the membership as they continue their examination of the Division I manual and enforcement/infractions processes, respectively.

The Board of Directors also is discussing, based on membership feedback, adjustments to the miscellaneous expense allowance. That legislation, also adopted last fall by the Board, would have allowed schools to award up to an additional \$2,000 of athletics aid to students already receiving a full scholarship.

The Board of Directors announced in January that it continues to support the concept of a miscellaneous expense allowance, but want to adjust the proposal. The Board will consider new implementation



#### **Sports Wagering**

The NCAA opposes all forms of legal and illegal sports wagering on college sports. NCAA rules specifically prohibit student-athletes, athletics department staff members, conference office staff and NCAA national office employees from wagering on intercollegiate, amateur and professional sports in which the Association conducts championships, plus Division I's Football Bowl Subdivision. For example, NCAA student-athletes and personnel are prohibited from betting on National Basketball Association contests since the NCAA conducts championships in basketball.



## Educational Column: February 14, 2012 Institutional Advertisements in Conjunction with an Athletics Event Involving Prospective Student- Athletes (I)

NCAA Division I institutions should note that an institution may not buy or arrange an athletically-related advertisement (e.g., advertising availability of season tickets, institutional camps) in conjunction with an athletics event involving prospective student-athletes, regardless of whether the advertisement directly solicits the enrollment of prospective student-athletes.

The recruiting advertisements legislation applies to all forms of media (e.g., facility signage, printed materials, broadcast or electronic media) and applies to all athletics events, regardless of whether the event is a competitive event. Therefore, the legislation prohibits advertisements in conjunction with both scholastic and nonscholastic competition, as well as advertisements in conjunction with events such as banquets honoring prospective student-athletes' academic and athletics achievements and fundraising events for high school athletics departments.

However, the publication of nonathletics institutional advertisements or promotional material in conjunction with an athletics event involving prospective student-athletes is permissible, provided the institution's athletics department is not involved in the advertisement or promotional activities and the advertisements or promotional materials do not contain athletics information. Funds generated by the purchase of nonathletics institutional advertisements or promotional materials may not be used for the benefit of a high school or two-year college's athletics program and the institution must document the cost of the advertising and promotional activities.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 13.4.3.1 (recruiting advertisements), 13.4.3.1.1 (nonathletics institutional advertisements) and 13.15.1.2 (fundraising for high school athletics program); and staff interpretations (2/10/89, Item No. c), (5/28/09, Item No. c) and (6/19/09, Item No. 2); and an official interpretation (8/27/92, Item No. 4)]

## Staff Interpretation: February 9, 2012 Use of Credits Earned During an Interim Term for Midyear Certification (I)

The academic and membership affairs staff determined that credits earned during an academic year interim term (e.g., J-term, mini-term) may be used for purposes of a midyear certification to satisfy the 24/36-hour, 18/27-hour and percentage of degree requirements, regardless of how the credits appear on the student-athlete's transcript (e.g., as part of the interim term or either the preceding or immediately following regular academic term). Further, such credits must be used for purposes of midyear certification of the grade-point-average requirement. Finally, the institution must document that the interim term credits were satisfactorily completed prior to the start of the regular academic term immediately following the interim term.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 14.4.3.1 (fulfillment of credit-hour requirements), 14.4.3.1.1 (regular academic year), 14.4.3.2 (fulfillment of percentage of degree requirements), 14.4.3.3 (fulfillment of minimum grade-point-average requirements), and 14.4.3.4.7 (credit from other institutions), and staff interpretations (12/21/11, Item No. d), (12/20/06, Item No. 1) and (11/8/89, Item No. e), which has been archived]

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### March 2012 - Championships Schedule

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 CAA Men's Basketball First Round	3 CAA Wrestling Championship CAA Men's Basketball Quarterfinals
4 CAA Men's Basketball Sem- ifinals	5 CAA Men's Basketball Championship	6	7	8 CAA Women's Basketball First Round	9 CAA Women's Basketball Quarterfinals	10 CAA Women's Basketball Semifinals
11 CAA Women's Basketball Championship	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

CAA Men's Basketball Championship March 2-5, 2012 Richmond, Virginia (Richmond Coliseum)

CAA Wrestling Championship March 3, 2012 Vestal, New York (Binghamton University)

CAA Women's Basketball Championship
March 8-11, 2012
Upper Marlboro, Maryland (The Show Place Arena)

## March Recruiting Calendars



Cross Country/ Track & Field								
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa		
				1	2	3		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
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Men's Basketball								
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa		
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*All live evals during the academic year shall be limited	
to regularly scheduled high school, preparatory school	
and two-year college practices/tournaments/contests and	
regular scholastic activities involving SAs enrolled only	at
that institution.	

Women's Basketball								
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa		
				1	2	3		
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
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\*March 30-31 (One women's basketball event certified by the NCAA (Bylaw 30.17) held in conjunction with, and conduction in the host city of the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship (Denver, Colorado)

Women's Volleyball & Sand Volleyball								
Su	M T W Th F Sa							
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In those states that play the high school volleyball season in the winter, contacts and evaluations shall be permissible January 1 to the Friday prior to the Presidents Weekend Tournament.

Softball								
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa		
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17		
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Women's Lacrosse								
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa		
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	Men's Lacrosse								
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Baseball								
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa		
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Note: This is a color coded visual of the recruiting calendars, please consider this when printing.

Contact Period

Quiet Period

Evaluation Period

Dead Period