Social Networking Websites – National Letter of Intent Signing
Next week is the early signing period for the National Letter of Intent. Please note that it is NOT permissible for you to post any information about a prospect on a social networking website (e.g., Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Vine, etc.). This includes:
  • Commenting on the likelihood of a prospect signing a National Letter of Intent with MSU;
  • Commenting on a prospect’s commitment to attend MSU; and
  • Commenting about the prospect’s athletics ability or the contribution the prospect might make to the team.

The above rules to apply to all prospects regardless of any pre-existing relationship you may have with the prospect (e.g., sibling, previous team member).

MSU, Big Ten and NCAA Awards
Extra benefit legislation prohibits student-athletes from:
  • Selling any item received for intercollegiate participation; or
  • Exchanging an item for another item of value.

This means that you cannot sell any award that you receive from MSU, Big Ten Conference or the NCAA for participation in athletics at MSU. This includes, but is not limited to, rings (championship rings, senior rings), jerseys, plaques, varsity jackets, gift cards or items purchased with gift cards, tournament gifts, etc.

You cannot sell these items for cash or exchange these items for another item of value (e.g., clothes, dinner, entertainment, services). Student-athletes who sell an award he/she received for participating in athletics (institutional, conference or NCAA) will jeopardize their eligibility for intercollegiate competition and will be required to repay the value of the impermissible benefit. Depending on the value of the award, student-athletes may be withheld from competition.

If you have any questions regarding this information or any other NCAA or Big Ten regulations, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Compliance Services at:

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