AP 5700 INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

References:

Education Code, Sections 66271.6, 66271.8, 67360 et seq., 67456, and 78223;
20 U.S. Code Sections 1681 et seq.
Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA) Constitution and CCCAA Bylaws

The College's intercollegiate athletics program is operated by the District, a member of the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA), and is governed by the rules of the CCCAA constitution and bylaws. The college will provide an athletic program and Kinesiology curriculum based on the most recent CCCAA constitution and bylaws and the conference(s) in which the college is a member. The Dean of Kinesiology and the Director of Athletics have been delegated authority to direct and administer the program according to the CCCAA constitution and bylaws and District regulations. The enforcement of rulings is the responsibility of assigned members of Athletics Department staff, the Dean of Kinesiology, the Director of Athletics, and the faculty coaches involved.

Individual faculty coaches are directly responsible to the Dean of Kinesiology and the Director of Athletics for supervision of their intercollegiate athletic program and enforcement of the CCCAA constitution and bylaws, the conference(s), and the District. The Athletics Department staff function as the Athletics Department within the Division of Kinesiology. The Athletics Director reports directly to the Dean of Kinesiology.

Rules Governing Athletic Eligibility

All rules of the CCCAA constitution and bylaws and the conference(s) in which the college is a member are applicable to the College's athletic program, athletic competition and the student athletes, and in addition:

- Each student athlete must have completed both the District and conference eligibility procedures before becoming eligible for any contest, game, meet, match, or scrimmage, including a preparticipation physical;
- The College's Athletics Department fully complies with California Community College Athletic Association bylaw articles 1.5.4 F & G regarding adherence to the Title IX Education Amendments of 1972;
- When the Athletics Director and team coach are notified that an athlete is ineligible, said student athlete may not participate until the Dean of Kinesiology and the Director of Athletics their designee certifies that the athlete has become eligible; and,

- Each student athlete must complete the District physical, or equivalent, and be approved for competition by a Cerritos College Athletic Trainer before participation in a College practice or official competition.

Name, Image, Likeness, and Athletic Reputation

Prospective Student Athlete
The District will not provide a prospective student athlete with compensation in relation to the athlete's name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation.

Student Athletes
The District will not prevent a student participating in intercollegiate athletics from either earning compensation as a result of the use of the student athlete's name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation, or from obtaining professional representation by duly licensed athletic agents or attorneys. However, a student athlete may not enter into a contract that provides compensation to the student athlete for their name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation if the contract conflicts with a provision of the student athlete's team contract.

A student who enters into a contract providing compensation for use of the student's name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation must disclose the contract to the Athletic Director. The Athletic Director must consult the Director of Procurement and Contracts, and District legal counsel if applicable, to determine if there is a conflict between the student athlete's contract and the student athlete's team contract. If the District determines that a conflict is present, the Athletic Director will disclose the conflict to the student or student's legal representative, if any, and identify the contractual provisions that conflict.

A student athlete's scholarship eligibility will not be impacted as a result of the student earning compensation for their name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation.

The District will not revoke a student-athlete's scholarship that provides the student-athlete with the cost of attendance as a result of the student athlete earning compensation or obtaining legal representation in accordance with state law.

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