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# Representative of Athletics Interest (Booster)

To our Boosters:

We appreciate each and every one of our Athletic Boosters here at The College of Saint Rose and want to thank you for your continued support.

The College of Saint Rose Representative of Athletics Interest (Booster) FAQ

**Do you represent the college's athletic interests as a Saint Rose athletics booster?** Yes,

A representative of Saint Rose athletics interests is an individual, business or organization who is known by a member of the institution's executive or athletics administration to:

- Have participated in or is a member of an agency or organization promoting the institution's intercollegiate athletics program;
- Have made financial contributions to the athletics department or to an athletics booster organization or that institution
- Assisting or have been requested (by the athletics department staff) to assist in the recruitment of prospects;
- Assisting or to have assisted in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes or their families;
- Have been involved otherwise in promoting the institution's athletics program.

# What is a Prospective Student-Athlete?

A prospective student-athlete is a student who has started classes for the ninth grade or has been provided with from the institution any benefit not available to general prospective students.

## What is an extra benefit?

Any special arrangement by a Representative of Athletics Interests to provide a student-athlete (current or prospective), their relatives or friends, a benefit that is not generally available to other Saint Rose students.

# Is Saint Rose liable for Booster's actions when it comes to prospective student-athletes and current student-athletes?

Yes, Saint Rose is subject to penalties for all violations of NCAA rules committed by its representatives of athletics interests.

#### **Contact with Prospective Student-Athletes**

#### You CAN:

- Observe a prospect's athletics contest as long as no contact is made with the prospect.
- Give Saint Rose coaches leads on prospective student-athletes.
- Make arrangements for a prospect's employment after their senior year in high school. This is the only
  exception that allows a booster to contact a prospect before the prospect enrolls at Saint Rose.
   Compensation must be paid only for work performed and at a rate commensurate with the going rate
  in that locality for services of like character.

## You CANNOT:

- Provide any benefit to prospective student-athletes, even if it is available to all students. This includes, but is not limited to; cash or loans, a promise of employment after college, use of an automobile, tangible items, etc.
- Contribute to the payment of transportation costs for prospects or their friends or families to visit Saint Rose.
- Pay any fees associated with sports camps for a prospect.
- Have off-campus contact with recruits or their parents, in person or by telephone.
- Contact the prospect's high school coach, principal, or guidance counselor for the purposes of evaluating or recruiting the prospect.
- Visit the prospect's educational institution to pick up film/videotape or transcripts regarding the evaluation of the prospect's academic eligibility or athletic ability.
- Invite prospective student-athletes, their high school coaches, or their parents to receptions.
- Provide a meal at a restaurant for prospects and their parents.
- Provide a prospect with free transportation to and from a summer job unless providing transportation is the employer's established policy for all employees.
- Invite a prospect to a booster meeting. If a prospect attends a meeting on his or her own they would be permitted to stay, but they must pay all fees charged for non-members to attend the meeting, including the meal.
- Place an advertisement that is targeted at local prospective student-athletes in a newspaper or other publication.
- Employ relatives of prospects as an inducement for enrollment.

## **Contact with Student-Athletes**

You may not provide a student-athlete any benefit or special arrangement that would not be offered to the rest of the student population at Saint Rose. Such a benefit may cause a student-athlete to lose his or her eligibility. These activities include, but are not limited to:

- You may not entertain current student-athletes, their friends or family.
- You may not use the name or picture of a current student-athlete to advertise, recommend, or promote any product or service of any kind.
- You may not provide awards or gifts to current student-athletes.
- You may not allow a current student-athlete to use your telephone to make free calls or allow the use of a free or discounted automobile.
- You can invite a current student-athlete to your home for an occasional meal, but you may not take a current student-athlete to a restaurant.