



ADMINISTRATIVE **PROCEDURE**

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DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

The College's athletics program is operated by the District and governed by the Athletic Code of the Community College League of California (C.C.L.C.) and by the constitution of the California Community College Athletic Association (C.C.C.A.A.), and the Pacific Coast Athletic Conference (PCAC). The Dean of Health Sciences and Education, with the Athletic Director, have been delegated authority to determine individual eligibility according to C.C.L.C., C.C.C.A.A., PCAC, and District regulations. The enforcement of rulings is the responsibility of assigned members of Athletics Department staff, and the team coaches involved. General direction and administration of the program, within the established policies and procedures, is the responsibility of the Director of Athletics.

The Director recruits, trains and supervises all team coaches and is responsible for oversight of eligibility, recruiting, fund raising and all requirements specified by the Constitution and Bylaws of the of the CCCAA. The Director reports directly to the Dean of Health Sciences and Education.

Rules Governing Athletic Eligibility

All rules of the Community College League of California, California Community College Athletic Association, and the Pacific Coast Athletic Conference are applicable to the College's athletes, and in addition:

- each athlete must have completed both the District and conference eligibility procedures before becoming eligible for any contest, game, meet, match, or scrimmage, including completion of and signature on the College of the Desert declaration form regarding California Education Code 67362 which prohibits participation in intercollegiate athletics by a student athlete who has been convicted as an adult of specified crimes;
- 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 an athlete is ruled ineligible, said athlete may not participate until the Athletic Director or their designee certifies that the athlete has become eligible; and,
- each athlete must complete the District physical, or equivalent, and be approved for competition by a College of the Desert Athletic Trainer before participation in a College practice or official competition.

Reference:

Education Code, Sections 66271.6, 66271.8, and 67360 et seq.;
Title IX, Education Amendments of 1972
ACCJC Accreditation Standard II.C.4

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