

# Academic Mentoring

Coaches should constantly monitor the progress of their student-athletes throughout the school year. Our efforts to help a student-athlete must always focus on the total person, not just helping them maintain or regain eligibility for the season. student-athletes should be required to submit grades at least once a month to their in-season coach. Coaches of student-athletes who are having academic trouble should contact their athletic director or guidance counselor to ensure necessary steps are taken (e.g. tutoring) to aid the student-athlete in becoming academically successful.

## **Ineligible or Inactive Student-Athletes**

Student-athletes who are removed from play for academic or disciplinary reasons should still be made to feel connected to the program. It is during this time that an ineligible student-athlete must know that their coaches and teammates care for and support them.

Injured players or inactive athletes who can no longer practice or play for other reasons must also remain connected. These athletes are typically out for reasons beyond their control, and their contributions to the team must continue to be appreciated.

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