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Player Eligibility

- Must be a current undergraduate student and only play and/or coach for their respective collegian in any of the collegian sports events.
- Must be entered on the team's electronic and paper rosters with the correct jersey number.
 - *Playoff eligibility:* must be entered on the team's electronic and paper rosters for at least 2 of the 8 regular season games.
- Must carry a minimum of six credit hours (*Exception: Contract students with a 35-hour workload*).
- Must not be checked into their residence hall while participating in any collegian sporting event.
- **Eagles Athletics** – a student whose name appears on an official Eagles roster is ineligible to play in any league play type sport. To be eligible for collegian league sports after playing Eagles, the following two guidelines must be met:
 - Must be out of intercollegiate participation for 30 days before playing in any league play type sport. (*Exception: Eagles basketball players may play softball*).
 - Those who withdraw from an Eagles team to participate in any league play type sport must submit a request form to the Eagles Athletic Director. It must be signed by their Eagles head coach and the Eagles Athletic Director stating the date of the student's last practice or game participation.

Any ineligible participation by a player or coach will result in a forfeiture of the game and a 1-game suspension for the undergrad that was ineligible.

Sportsmanship

All participants, spectators, and officials are expected to follow the Biblical model of edification through positive cheering and a spirit of fun competition. Some conflict is bound to occur in any competitive environment, but all actions and reactions should be honoring to God. Actively striving to maintain a godly testimony will help you consistently exhibit Christian sportsmanship.

Team Sportsmanship Rating System

A team sportsmanship rating system will be used to promote good sportsmanship. Game officials will rate teams on a five-point scale for sportsmanship after each league game. Teams earning a sportsmanship rating that is an average below 3.75 will be ineligible to participate or continue in their league's playoffs regardless of their record. Your collegian president, athletic director, and coach will be notified if the collegian receives a rating of 3.75 or less.

Description of team sportsmanship rating system:

5 – Outstanding sportsmanship and conduct

- Positive reinforcement to players
- Good attitude towards opponents
- Team coach and captain control players and spectators
- No derogatory, demeaning, or abusive language
- No interference to the play of the game

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4 – Good sportsmanship and conduct (Each team begins each game at this level)

- Team coach and captain in control of their players and spectators
- Few questions asked concerning official's decisions
- No verbal or physical threats made towards officials and/or opponents
- *Each team begins each game at this level*

3 – Below average sportsmanship

- Team coach and captain keep some control of players and spectators
- Some derogatory, demeaning, or abusive language or unsportsmanlike conduct is displayed
- *A team earning a sportsmanship-related penalty (UC, yellow card, technical foul, etc.) cannot earn higher than this level*

2 – Poor sportsmanship

- Team coach and captain exhibit little control over players and spectators
- Unnecessary roughness
- *A team earning two sportsmanship-related penalties, or an ejection cannot earn higher than this level.*

1 – Unacceptable sportsmanship

- Team coach and captain show no control of players or spectators
- *A team earning three unsportsmanlike-related penalties, or two ejections cannot earn higher than this level*
- *A team earning a sportsmanship rating of 1 will result in that game being a forfeit.*

**A sportsmanship rating of 3.0 will be assigned to teams who forfeit. The opponent of a team who forfeits a contest will receive a 4.0 sportsmanship rating. Note: Sportsmanship ratings for both teams are at the discretion of game officials during games forfeited due to ejection/conduct.*

Individual Sportsmanship

Individual sportsmanship will be enforced using a warning/ejection system. Warnings will be issued for unsporting behavior. A player that receives 2 warnings within the same semester will be suspended from his next scheduled game. Suspensions may be issued without previous warnings in specific situations, including all those that involve fighting. If a player or coach is ejected during a game, he must leave the facility/field for the remainder of the game.

Any player or coach who receives an unsportsmanlike penalty must meet with the Collegian Sports Coordinator before his next competition and is considered ineligible until the meeting takes place. Failure to meet before participating again will result in a forfeit due to an ineligible participant coaching and/or competing. It is the responsibility of the coach or player to come to the Student Activities Office, AC-1, and schedule the meeting.

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Unsportsmanlike violations are given at the discretion of the game officials and collegian sports staff. Penalties include, but are not limited to, contentious behavior, foul language, vulgarity, physical abuse, threatening behavior, and damage to PCC equipment/facilities.

Individual Sportsmanship Violation System:

Violation (per semester)	Penalty
1 st unsporting yellow card 1 st unsporting technical foul 1 st unsporting penalty	Warning
1 st unsporting ejection 2 nd unsporting yellow card 2 nd unsporting technical foul 2 nd unsporting penalty	1-game suspension and ineligible for all-star teams
3 rd unsporting yellow card 3 rd unsporting technical foul 3 rd unsporting penalty	2-game suspension and ineligible for all-star teams
2 nd unsporting ejection 4 th unsporting yellow card 4 th unsporting technical foul 4 th unsporting penalty	Suspension from <i>all</i> Collegian Sports Activities for 1 full semester and ineligible for all-star teams
3 rd unsporting ejection 5 th + unsporting yellow card 5 th + unsporting technical foul 5 th + unsporting penalty	Suspension from all Collegian Sports Activities for 2 full semesters and ineligible for all-star teams

Game Cancellations

- A game may be canceled at any point due to inclement weather.
- If a game is canceled and the 1st half is complete, it is considered a complete game. The score will stand as it was at the end of the 1st half. (Example: If it rains at halftime or in the middle of the 2nd half, the game stands as complete and the score remains as it was when the game was stopped.)
- If a game is canceled and the 1st half is not complete, the game will be rescheduled and will begin when the canceled game stopped (i.e., time remaining, score, possession of the ball, etc.) (Example: If it rains at the 20:55 mark of the 1st half with the score of 1-2 in Team B's favor, and Team B has possession of the ball, the game will resume at the rescheduled date with the score of 1 – 2, a time of 20:55 in the 1st half, and the team in possession of the ball [Team B kickoff] as it was when it was rained out.)

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- If possible, games that are canceled prior to being played due to weather or poor playing conditions will be rescheduled. Please check [game schedule](#) on Eagles Nest for exact game times, dates, and locations.