Interacting with Prospective Student-Athletes

**Serving as a Student Host During an Official Visit**

- The student-athlete host cannot be a non-qualifier.
- Student-athletes will not be paid for hosting a PSA but will receive up to $40 per day of the visit to cover the actual cost of entertaining the PSA. You will be expected to return this money.
- Student host are not permitted to buy the PSA anything and all entertainment must be appropriate (no bars, alcohol, gentlemen’s clubs, etc.)
- Host can receive complimentary meals when with the official visitor.
- Visitors are permitted to stay with a current student-athlete host pursuant to normal dorm/apartment rules.

**Social Media Guidelines**

A current student-athlete is not permitted to publicize a prospective student-athlete’s visit to campus, even if you are good friends with the recruit. When interacting with recruits on social media, do so only through private, direct messaging (Facebook messenger, Twitter direct message, etc.)

Coaches are not permitted to direct you to interact with recruits through social media, via text, or telephone.

**Examples of violations:**

- Retweeting or “liking” the recruit’s tweet about his or her campus visit
- Posting a video or pictures taken during the visit on snapchat, twitter, Facebook, Instagram, etc.
- Commenting on how excited you are to host the recruit during his or her visit on social media sites.
Hazing

Often viewed as a “joke” or an activity to build unity, hazing is any action or situation created intentionally that causes embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule and risks emotional and/or physical harm to members of a group or team, whether new or not, regardless of the person’s willingness to participate. These activities are often illegal, against IUPUI policy, and dangerous.

Hazing under Indiana State Law

Hazing is illegal in the State of Indiana, “Hazing” is defined by: means forcing or requiring another person: (1) with or without consent of the other person; and (2) as a condition of association with a group or organization; to perform an act that creates a substantial risk of bodily injury.

Consequences of Hazing:

- A person who knowingly or intentionally performs hazing commits a Class B misdemeanor punishable up to 180 days imprisonment and $1,000 fine.
- The offense is a level 6 felony if it results in serious bodily injury punishable up to 3 years imprisonment and $10,000 fine.

DYK: Studies show that hazing is not an effective way to build team unity.

IUPUI Hazing Policy

Hazing by members of IUPUI student organization is strictly forbidden and a violation of the student code of conduct.

Hazing activities can include, but are not limited to:

- Use of alcohol or drugs
- Creation of excessive fatigue, psychological and physical shocks, “quests”, treasure hunts, scavenger hunts, road trips, wearing of public apparel which is conspicuous and not in good taste
- Engaging in public stunts or buffoonery, morally degrading, or humiliating games and activities.

If you witness or experience hazing, report it to an athletics administrator immediately. Your concerns will be taken seriously.
ASK BEFORE YOU ACT!!!!

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