



USD ATHLETICS



THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA RECRUITING GUIDELINES: PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES AND THEIR STUDENT HOSTS

To ensure high quality campus visits by prospective student-athletes that are conducted in a manner consistent with NCAA and University of South Dakota regulations, the Athletic Department has established guidelines and procedures with which prospects and their student hosts must comply.

- Consumption of alcohol/underage drinking (below age 21) is illegal in the State of South Dakota. **Prospective student-athletes or student-athlete hosts are not allowed to indulge in or promote this activity.** Also, illegal use or possession of drugs will not be tolerated by either prospect or student-athlete host.
- The University of South Dakota **will not tolerate sexual harassment** by anyone associated with our athletic teams. Student hosts must be aware of the University's prohibition of this type of activity and work to ensure that the prospects that they are hosting conduct themselves appropriately.
- **Student-athlete hosts may receive an institutional maximum of \$20.00 per day for hosting a prospect.** All host money must be signed out from the athletic business office, and all unused money must be returned directly to the athletic business office. **Student-athlete hosts do not pay for meals of other student-athletes, even if they are co-hosting the prospect.** Under no circumstances may money be given directly to the prospect over the course of the recruitment process by anyone directly representing the institution. Student hosts may not give or buy the prospect any hats, t-shirts, or souvenirs, nor arrange a discount related to these items for the prospect.
- **A prospective student-athlete may not have an in-person recruiting conversation with a USD booster.** It is the responsibility of the student host to ensure that such contact does not take place when they are entertaining prospective student-athletes.
- It is the responsibility of the University to ensure the safety and well-being of prospective student-athletes visiting our campus. Therefore, **it is incumbent upon prospective student-athletes and their student hosts to avoid inappropriate situations,** including abusive and illegal behavior that would jeopardize their safety or would be against NCAA, University or local laws, rules, and regulations.
- **All entertainment of prospective student-athletes should be confined to the University community.** Student hosts may receive a complimentary admission to a campus athletic event when accompanying the prospect. Student hosts are responsible for ensuring that prospects do not leave the Vermillion area during their visits.
- Prospective student-athletes will have a curfew of 12:30 am unless they are participating in activities supervised or arranged by USD coaching staff.

REMEMBER, you are an ambassador of USD and your actions should reflect positively on the athletic department and the University of South Dakota. These guidelines have been established to ensure that each prospective student-athlete's visit to our campus is a quality one. Your compliance with these guidelines is absolutely necessary and greatly appreciated. Incidents contrary to these guidelines may result in a decision by the University to decline to admit or grant financial aid to a prospective student-athlete and also may result in penalties to student athletes up to and including dismissal from the team.

Host Signature

DATE

Prospect Signature

DATE

Date of Official Visit