

**COMPLIANCE NEWS** 

November 22, 2013 – November 28, 2013

#### **RECRUITING CALENDER**

#### <u>Baseball</u>

Nov 22 – Nov 28: Quiet Period

#### Men's Basketball

Nov 22 – Nov 28: Contact Period

#### Women's Basketball

Nov 22 - Nov 28: Evaluation Period

#### Football

Nov 22 - Nov 28: Evaluation Period

#### Cross Country/Track

Nov 22 – Contact Period Nov 23 - 24 – Dead Period Nov 22 – Contact Period

#### Women's Volleyball

Nov 22 - Nov 28: Contact Period

## Tip of the Week

## Types of Awards Awarding, Agencies, Maximum Value and Numbers of Awards

Athletics awards given to individual student-athletes shall be limited to those approved or administered by the members institutions, its conferences or an approved agency as specified in the following subsections and shall be limited in value and number as specified in this section. Awards received for intercollegiate athletics participation may not be sold, exchanged or assigned for another item of value, even if the student-athlete's name or picture does not appear on the award. Each of the following subsections is independent of the others so that it is permissible for an individual student-athlete to receive the awards describe the awards described in all subsections.

NCAA Bylaws 16.1.4

#### Dead/Finals Week Reminder - Sports other than football

All countable related activities outside the playing season are prohibited one week prior to the beginning of the final examination period for the applicable academic term through the conclusion of each student-athletes final exams.

As Always, Please Remember to Ask Before You Act!

## **WSU Compliance News**

- CONGRATULATIONS TO WOMEN'S SOCCER FOR A GREAT SEASON!
- GOOD JOB VOLLEYBALL FOR BEATING #4 USC!
- GOOD LUCK TO FOOTBALL AGAINST UTAH!

# NCAA News: BYU Cross-Country Star Sidelined for 'Fun Run' has Eligibility Reinstated

A BYU cross-country runner who lost a year of eligibility for participating in a fun run had his senior year reinstated by the NCAA Thursday.

Jared Ward's situation garnered national attention this past week after a Colgate basketball player lost his eligibility for playing in a church basketball game and then had it reinstated. Ward, an All-American, was granted the opportunity to have his case heard Thursday morning and a decision was made the same day, allowing him to compete for BYU immediately.

"I'm just excited to return with my teammates and have an opportunity to compete at nationals," Ward said. "I got a call from BYU compliance a couple hours ago that said the NCAA had decided to reverse their decision and reinstate my eligibility. I'm grateful to the NCAA for reopening the case and I'm just excited to come back and run one more time."

Ward has long been trying to have his eligibility restored. He lost a year of eligibility after he returned from his mission and participated in a recreational race for coaches and family members before his brother's high school race in 2009.

The race took place before he entered school for the winter 2010 semester so the NCAA determined it gave him a competitive advantage. He won the race, which featured many participants in costume.

"I had to get in a workout that day anyway, so I thought I'd just jump in the race," Ward told the Deseret News. "A lot of the entrants try to get a laugh out of the kids, so they wear costumes. I recall someone wearing a tuxedo and another guy in a bird suit and a monkey or gorilla costume. It's not uncommon."

Hoping the NCAA would overturn their decision, he ran for BYU from 2010-2012. However, by the time he reached his senior season he still had not been granted an appeal and had to sit out the beginning of the season. Thursday's ruling means he will be able to run in the season's last two races.

"It's been a roller coaster ride of emotions, but really a learning experience and an opportunity to be grateful for so many people who've been behind it all the way, primarily family and friends, my wife, BYU compliance and my coaches and teammates," Ward said.

Head coach Ed Eyestone said he was ecstatic when he heard the news.

"I think the NCAA made a fair and a consistent decision, particularly in light of recent developments," he said. "I am very happy with the NCAA, in fact my faith is renewed in the NCAA because they took a difficult concept and they made they right call on this one. I'm just grateful they took another look at it. Certainly the fact that there was a recent precedent allowed them to reexamine that case. I think when they had all the information they made the right call."

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The BYU men's cross-country team is ranked No. 5 in the nation and will compete in the NCAA Mountain region Championships Friday. Ward will be participating and hopes to make it back to the NCAA National Championships, where he placed 14th as a junior in 2012.

"Jared's a great athlete. I expect him to rise to the occasion," Eyestone said. "He'll be one of our team leaders and we are certainly a stronger team with him than without."

## **COMPLIANCE QUIZ**

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- 1. Who may attend a Division I institution's on-campus announcement (as opposed to a prospective student-athlete's own announcement) of all prospective student-athletes who have signed a National Letter of Intent or accepted offers of admission and/or athletically related financial aid at the institution?
  - A. Institutional staff-members
  - B. Prospective student-athletes and parents.
  - C. The media
  - D. Both a and c
- 2. If an institution is organizing a community food drive, it is NOT permissible to do the following:
  - A. Use institution funds to purchase food products
  - B. Solicit the assistance of student-athletes to procure items for the food drive
  - C. Inappropriately and stealthily borrow items from other competing groups' totes.
  - D. All of the above

## All Sports (except Football and Basketball)

Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> before the senior year – One Call Per Week

### **Football**

Beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> of the senior year – One Call Per Week

#### Men's Basketball

Beginning June 15<sup>th</sup> at the completion of the sophomore year – **Unlimited Phone Calls**

#### Women's Basketball

Beginning June 15<sup>th</sup> at the completion of the sophomore year – Unlimited Phone Calls

## **Compliance Website/Social Media**

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- Compliance Website <a href="http://www.wsucougars.com/compliance">http://www.wsucougars.com/compliance</a>
- Compliance Facebook <a href="http://www.facebook.com/WSUCompliance">http://www.facebook.com/WSUCompliance</a>
  - Compliance Twitter <a href="http://twitter.com/WSUCompliance">http://twitter.com/WSUCompliance</a>

## **Compliance Quiz Answers**

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Answers to Compliance Quiz:

- 1. D) Both a and c. 13.10.9; 13.10.9.2; 13.10.9.3
- 2. D) All of the above

