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Role of Athletics

As is true with most of the activity programs at Cloud County Community College, the intercollegiate athletic program has six basic characteristics:

- 1. The program is an attraction to students who may not otherwise consider Cloud County Community College.
- 2. The program provides a vehicle for building student body loyalty and student body inclusion.
- 3. The program provides an opportunity for community presence in the College.
- 4. Student athletes are provided an opportunity to participate, develop, and gain new experiences.
- 5. In general, it is the desire of the institution to develop its athletic programs around student athletes from Kansas. With the ever-increasing competition in recruiting, it is often necessary to recruit student athletes from outside Kansas and abroad to fill fosters and increase competitiveness.
- 6. All varsity athletic teams will abide by and adhere to, firstly the by-laws of the the National Junior College Athletic Association and secondly to the by-laws of Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference.

Evaluating the Athletic Program

The various parts of the program will be judged individually and collectively by the following:

- 1. That each sport has a reasonable number of participants.
- 2. That the student athletes are making normal progress toward the achievement of their educational goals.
- 3. That all teams are reasonably competitive with their opponents.
- 4. That the student athletes demonstrate good citizenship and sportsmanship on and off the field.
- 5. That the student athlete must conduct themselves, on and off the field, as positive role models who exemplify good character.
- 6. That the coaches are to foster good character by teaching, enforcing, and modeling these principals.

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Athletic Scholarship Program

In general, it is the intent of the Athletic Scholarship Program to assist the student athlete in financing their education by supplementing other sources of income with funds available from college-supervised sources.

Funds for Athletic Purposes

Audit Trail: Any and all funds used for any purpose related to the athletic program shall be controlled by the institution, and a clear audit trail shall be maintained.

Gift and Donations: Because of the nature of the activities involved, public interest and support may ensue. Use of such funds shall be processed in the same fashion as regular college funds with the final decision regarding the use of such funds to be made by the institution. (See Policy F2.)

Athletic Travel

Regular Schedules: It is the policy of the College to limit regularly scheduled athletic contests to the State of Kansas and/or within reasonable and comparable distances. All regular athletic schedules shall be established by the Athletic Director in cooperation with the coaching staff and approved by the President. Any changes, additions, or deletions will be approved by the President or their designee.

Special Event Trips: Out-of-state special event trips may be allowed provided that the distance shall not exceed approximately 500 miles one way unless prior approval has been granted by the President or their designee. College funds provided for such trips may be provided at an amount not to exceed the amount that would be allocated for a regular three-day, three-contest, in-state trip.

National or Regional Championships: Competition in national and/or regional championship events is excluded from these travel restrictions. Participation in these events will be approved on a case-by-case basis by the President.

Fairness in Women's Sports Act

Pursuant to House Bill 2238, interscholastic, intercollegiate, intramural or club athletic teams or sports that are sponsored by Cloud County Community College shall be expressly designated as one of the following based on biological sex: (1) Males, men or boys; (2) females, women or girls; or (3) coed or mixed. Athletic teams or sports designated for females, women or girls shall not be open to students of the male sex. Colleges shall use information collected when individuals elect to participate on a team or in a sport to determine which gender team is appropriate for respective students.

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Should a dispute arise, colleges shall refer to the original birth or adoption certificate completed at or near the time of birth. If the original birth or adoption certificate is not available, documentation provided by a licensed physician indicating biological sex at birth may be utilized. If biological sex at birth is unable to be determined by the above means, the student shall be eligible to participate in male, men's, boys, coed, or mixed athletic activities only.

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