

2024-25 NJCAA Eligibility Committee

NJCAA Mission

"The NJCAA's mission is to promote, govern and foster a competitive environment for two-year college athletics. The NJCAA recognizes the diverse nature of its membership, providing at all times a consistent and inclusive governance structure that provides opportunities for all stakeholders and emphasizes the academic, athletic, and community involvement goals of all student-athletes."

Process

Eligibility proposals are vetted twice per academic year, at the October and April Board of Regents meetings. All proposals must be submitted to the Eligibility Committee through the approved process, prior to the established deadlines. Proposals approved by the BOR (unless emergency in nature), will not go into effect until August 1, 2025.



August 16, 2024 – 1 pm EST AGENDA

- I. **Welcome and Introductions**
- II. **National Office Updates**
- III. **October Eligibility/Governance Committee Retreat (Charlotte, NC)**
 - a. October 8 (5 pm)-October 10 (noon)
 - b. Please make flight reservations by August 23
- IV. **Tiered Sanctions Subcommittee Update**
- V. **Updated NJCAA Eligibility Spreadsheet**
- VI. **Eligibility Proposals Received during July cycle**
 - a. Proposal #1, Submitted by Troy Tucker: Re-imagined Casebook
 - b. Proposal #2, Submitted by Region 8: Article V, Section 4.A.3 (Amateurism Age Limit)
 - c. Proposal #3, Submitted by Region 8: Article V, Section 4.C.1 (Amateurism Age Limit)
 - d. Proposal #4, Submitted by Rob Chaney: Article V, Section 4.D.3.c (NIL)
 - e. Proposal #5, Submitted by Rob Chaney: Article V, Section 2.C.2 (FT Enrollment Requirement)
- VII. **Discussion Items**
 - a. "Celebratory LOI" for Division III
 - b. Article V, Section 2.D.1 (Full-time Term Defined) - page 13
 - c. Article V, Section 4.D.3 (NIL) – adding language guiding "impermissible inducement" – page 24/25
 - d. Article VI, Section 2.A (LOIs) - Language guiding when a SA can sign a LOI – page 34
 - e. Article VI, Section 2.D.1 (Cancellation and Modification of Grants-In-Aid) – page 35
 - f. Article V, Section 2.C.5 (Break of Enrollment) – page 13
 - g. Article VII, Section 2 (Requirements for participating in team activities) – page 40
 - h. Article V, Section 2.B.3 (Clarification of Foreign Transcripts) – page 10
 - i. From recent Appeals
 1. Recommendation that NJCAA bylaws should go under review from an outside agency for evaluation and to ensure they are legally sound.
 2. LOI and Release – should release from one release you from all LOIs?

3. Potential Mental Health Hardship Waiver (would be a third hardship option)
- j. Carryover Items from 2023-24
 1. Multi-Sport/Multi-Season Subcommittee Draft Proposal
 2. SA Seasons of Participation > Governance Committee
 3. Do we consider bringing Amateurism into the Audit process?
 - i. Would like to review the audit “checklist” in its entirety
 4. Scenarios impacting LT-FT and Graduate exceptions
 5. Withdrawal Regulations
 6. Certified NJCAA SA with Disabilities Exception

VIII. Good of the Order

IX. Next meeting: Friday, September 13, 1 pm

X. Adjournment

Eligibility Committee Calendar

August 16	1 pm EST	Eligibility Committee Meeting
September 13	1 pm EST	Eligibility Committee Meeting
October 8-10	Charlotte	Eligibility Committee Meeting
October 17	1 pm EST	Board of Regents Meeting
November 8	1 pm EST	Eligibility Committee Meeting
December 6	1 pm EST	Eligibility Committee Meeting
January 10	1 pm EST	Eligibility Committee Meeting
January 13		Final Date to receive eligibility proposals for April BOR
January 16	1 pm EST	Board of Regents Meeting
February 14	1 pm EST	Eligibility Committee Meeting
March 7	1 pm EST	Eligibility Committee Meeting
TBA		Final date to submit eligibility items for April BOR agenda
April 13-17		NJCAA Convention (Denton, Texas)/Board of Regents Meeting
May 16	1 pm EST	Eligibility Committee Meeting
June 18	1 pm EST	Board of Regents Meeting
June 20	1 pm EST	Eligibility Committee Meeting
July 14		Final date to receive eligibility proposals for October 2025 BOR

Eligibility Committee Roster **Name**

Chair:	Rob Chaney
Vice-Chair:	Christina Hundley
Senior Women’s Administrator:	Mary Young
Senior Men’s Administrator:	Rob Nielsen
Division I Reps:	Deron Clark Jeff Willis
Division II Reps:	Brian Anweiler Troy Larson
Division III Reps:	Kurt Kohler Kristen Schuth
PAC Rep:	Dr. Tom Huebner
Ex-Officio:	Mike Saddler
NJCAA Staff Liaison:	Wanda Bodey