



Mississippi State University Booster Guidelines

Who is considered a MSU booster?

A booster is anyone who has:

- participated in or been a member of an organization promoting MSU's athletics program
- made a financial donation to MSU's athletics department
- assisted in the recruitment of student-athletes
- assisted in providing benefits to student-athletes or their families
- been involved in promoting MSU's athletics program

Who is considered an MSU recruit?

A student becomes a prospective student-athlete (recruit) once he or she has started classes for the ninth grade.

- They remain a prospect until they begin practice/class at MSU.

Are there any limitations to interactions with prospects?

Leave the recruiting to the coaches.

Do not reach out to prospects in-person, through phone calls or texts, or through social media.

- You may like/share a prospect's posts.
- If unavoidable, incidental contact is made with a prospect, be sure to end your conversation without any mention of MSU.

Is there anything I can provide to prospects?

It is not permissible under NCAA rules to provide travel, expenses, meals, tickets, or any other type of extra benefit to a prospective student-athlete. Doing so could cost them their eligibility.

Can I provide anything to current student-athletes?

No, NCAA rules prohibit boosters from providing any type of extra benefits (money, gifts, tickets, etc.) to student-athletes.

What if I am a life-long friend of a prospect?

If you have a pre-established relationship with a prospective student-athlete (i.e. family friend) you may still have contact with them as long as there is no discussion of MSU. Contact compliance if you have additional questions.

Ask Before You Act!

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*This list is not all inclusive. View our pamphlets online or contact us with questions.

