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Policy on National Letter of Intent [NLI]

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Related Policies:

Additional References:

A. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Cheyney University of PA abides by the terms and conditions of the NCAA National Letter of Intent program by offering athletic aid with the National Letter of Intent.

B. Scope:

This policy applies to head coaches and their prospective student-athletes as well as the Office of Compliance and Financial Aid.

C. Key Word(s) & Phrases:

The NLI is a voluntary program with regard to both institutions and student-athletes. No prospective student-athlete or parent is required to sign the National Letter of Intent, and no institution is required to join the program.

By signing a National Letter of Intent, a prospective student-athlete agrees to attend the designated college or university for one academic year. Pursuant to the terms of the National Letter of Intent program, participating institutions agree to provide athletics financial aid to the student-athlete, provided he/she is admitted to the institution and is eligible for financial aid under NCAA rules. An important provision of the National Letter of Intent program is a recruiting prohibition applied after a prospective student-athlete signs a Letter of Intent. This prohibition requires participating institutions to cease recruitment of a prospective student-athlete once a National Letter of Intent is signed with another institution.

D. Policy & Procedures:

If the head coach wishes to offer a prospective student-athlete a National Letter of Intent to for the upcoming academic year he/she must submit the appropriate paperwork (GIA Request, with the Head Coach and Athletic Directors signatures and a copy of the student’s high school transcript and copy of the
NCAA Eligibility Center Report) to the Compliance Team 14-days prior to the official signing date for his/her appropriate sport to ensure ample time for the Office of Financial Aid to approve the athletic aid.