

Collaboration

Meaningful progress in sexual violence prevention efforts requires cross-campus collaboration.

Collaboration is a process through which people work together for a common purpose and support each other's efforts. Athletics calls this process teamwork.

In order to initiate a culture change that makes sexual violence prevention efforts successful, athletics must form a team with other campus departments, taking advantage of available campus resources and working to succeed at two different levels: in the development of campuswide policy and the tactical implementation of programs. Bring

together the right people, value their work, provide them with resources and hold them accountable.

Collaborators contribute energy, expertise, experience, diverse perspectives and influence to accomplish the team's mission. Student-athletes and those who directly influence them – coaches, athletic trainers, academic support personnel and others – should be included on the collaboration team.

COLLABORATION CHECKLIST

Motivated, experienced team members from across campus work together effectively when:

- A designated athletics administrator coordinates outreach with campus services.
- A collaboration team, in conjunction with the designated athletics administrator, reaches out to various campus departments and communities. This team may include the following members:
 - » Student-athletes
 - » Coaches
 - » Life skills administrators
 - » Sports medicine professionals
 - » Faculty athletics representatives
 - » Health and counseling services
 - » Student conduct
 - » Campus security
 - » Wellness/health/peer education
 - » Residence life
 - » Fraternity and sorority life
 - » Academic disciplines
 - » Public health
 - » Title IX coordinator
 - » Campus legal counsel
 - » Community sexual assault resources
 - » Local law enforcement
- The designated athletics administrator engages with the campus Title IX coordinator and the collaboration team.
- Athletics staff participates in campuswide task forces on topics such as substance abuse prevention, wellness and sexual assault prevention.
- Athletics departments engage campus experts to contribute in the development, implementation and evaluation of the athletics department's sexual violence education program.
- Student-athletes contribute to the development and implementation of the sexual violence education program.
- Coaches and other athletics staff who directly influence student-athletes' attitudes and behaviors contribute to the development and implementation of the sexual violence education program.