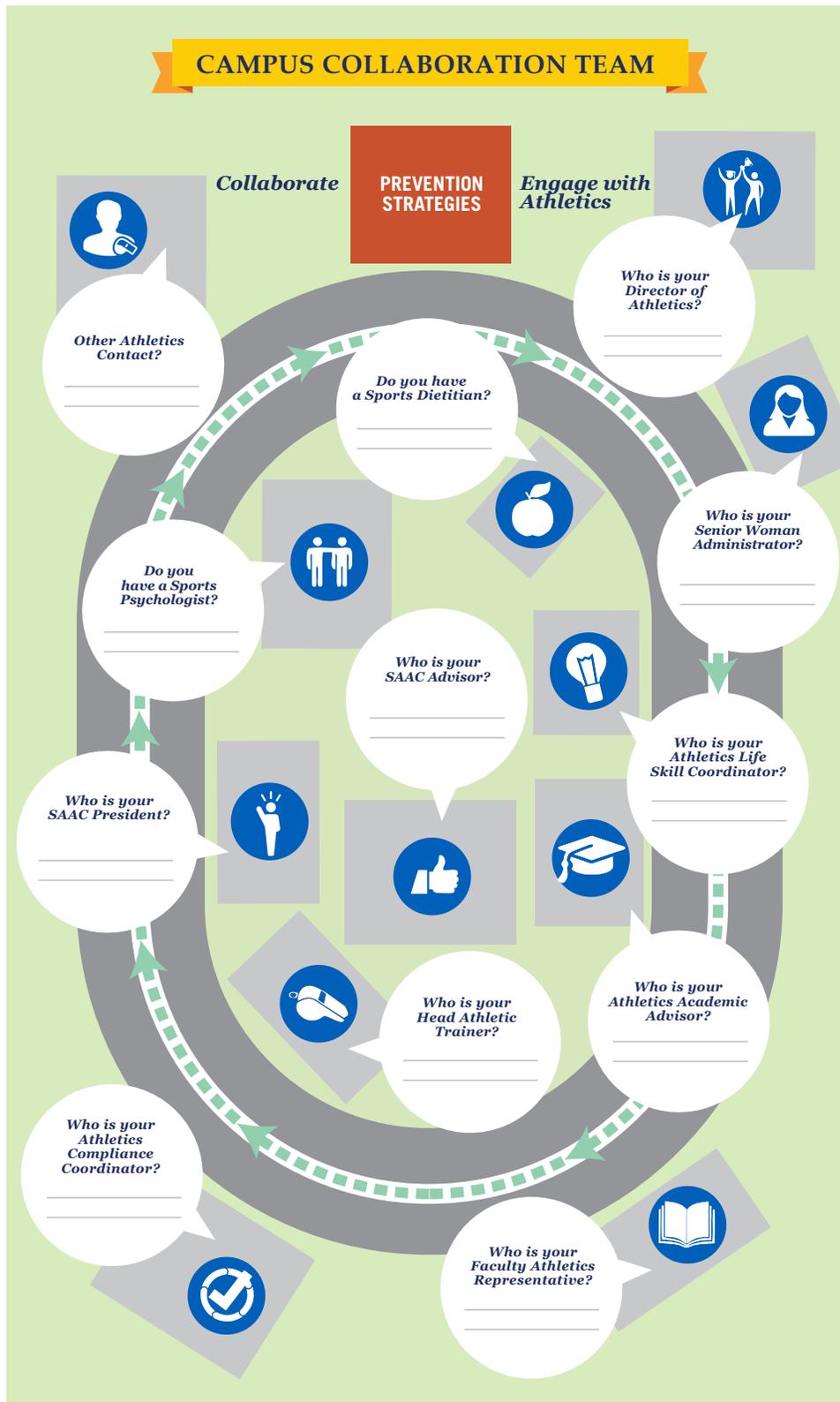


CAMPUS COLLABORATION TOOL FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS PARTNERS



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DESCRIPTIONS OF COLLABORATORS

WHO IS YOUR DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS?

The athletics director, or AD, is the senior athletics department administrator and is responsible for general oversight and supervision of the athletics department. The AD is also responsible for decisions related to coach hiring and guidance, scheduling, strategy, and policy.

WHO IS YOUR SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR?

Commonly known as the SWA, this is the highest ranking female staff member in the athletics department. This designated position is intended to encourage and promote the involvement of female administrators in the decision-making process in intercollegiate athletics, and to ensure representation of women's interests, experience and perspective at the institutional, conference and national levels. The SWA's responsibilities can include any department tasks, senior management team responsibilities and oversight of a number of teams.

WHO IS YOUR ATHLETICS LIFE SKILLS COORDINATOR?

The life skills coordinator administers any programs, workshops and necessary information to student-athletes to help them develop the skills needed to succeed as a student and athlete on campus and for life after sports. This staff manages outreach and relationships with campus and community organizations to create such events and opportunities for the student-athletes' success.

WHO IS YOUR ATHLETICS ACADEMIC ADVISOR?

The academic advisor is responsible for the oversight of the academic-related tasks of the student-athlete such as advising and registration, monitoring satisfactory progress, tutoring, and study sessions, and coordinating and implementing life skills programming and special events.

WHO IS YOUR FACULTY ATHLETICS REPRESENTATIVE?

The FAR is a member of the faculty at an NCAA member institution officially designated by the institution to serve as a liaison to the athletics department, and also as a representative of the institution in conference and NCAA affairs. The FAR plays a central role in the overall checks-and-balances system designed to ensure academic integrity, sound governance and commitment to rules compliance, attention to equity, and student-athlete welfare.

WHO IS YOUR HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER?

This allied healthcare professional is responsible for developing, coordinating, and administering a comprehensive sports medicine program for intercollegiate athletics,

with a focus on injury prevention, evaluation, management, treatment, and rehabilitation, and coordination of medical treatment with campus and community services.

WHO IS YOUR SAAC PRESIDENT?

This student-athlete is responsible for leading all SAAC (Student-Athlete Advisory Committee) events and meetings to help create a voice of change for the student-athletes at the institutional, conference and national levels. SAAC is made up of student-athletes assembled to provide insight on their experience, and to offer input on the rules, regulations, and policies that affect student-athletes' lives.

WHO IS YOUR SAAC ADVISOR?

The SAAC advisor is a departmental staff person charged with supervision of SAAC-related meetings and events, as well as serving as the liaison between athletics administration and the student-athletes. This person may communicate the concerns of the student to the department in order to give the student-athlete the best experience possible.

WHO IS YOUR ATHLETICS COMPLIANCE COORDINATOR?

The compliance coordinator works closely with both the athletics director and the Faculty Athletics Representative, to ensure compliance with all institutional, conference and NCAA rules and regulations governing intercollegiate athletics; monitors eligibility of student-athletes; and communicates with the NCAA and conference about rules interpretations and compliance matters. The duties of the compliance coordinator address administration and reporting, rules education, eligibility, recruitment, admissions, and investigation.

DO YOU HAVE A SPORTS PSYCHOLOGIST?

Sport psychologists help athletes enhance performance, and may use various mental strategies, such as visualization, self-talk and relaxation techniques to help athletes overcome obstacles and achieve their full potential. Sport psychologists utilize knowledge from many related fields including biomechanics, physiology, kinesiology and psychology. Mental health counseling should be provided only by a licensed psychologist.

DO YOU HAVE A SPORTS DIETITIAN?

A registered dietitian (RD), or a Certified Specialist in Sports Dietetics (CSSD) provides individual, group, and team nutrition counseling and education to enhance the performance of student-athletes. This person may serve as a resource for coaches, trainers, and athletes, or track and document outcomes of nutrition services.

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