The NCAA Division III infractions process begins with rules proposed, considered and adopted by NCAA members. These rules focus on eligibility, recruiting, academic performance, playing and practice seasons, scholarships, and extra benefits. In Division III, violations of these rules can either be considered major or secondary. When a school or a college athlete violates a rule, the NCAA enforcement staff investigates, provides notice of potential violations to schools and involved individuals, and presents information about potential major violations to the Committee on Infractions. Generally, the enforcement staff and conferences handle secondary violations. Then, the COI considers the facts of the case and the positions of all parties. Members of a COI deliberate, conclude if violations occurred, prescribe appropriate penalties, then issue a written decision. That decision can be reviewed by the Infractions Appeals Committee if a school or involved individual does not agree with the COI’s findings, conclusions or penalties. If the COI prescribes probation and/or penalties, the COI reviews annual reports to ensure that the school completes all requirements.