ACADEMICS & ATHLETICS

ACADEMIC / ATHLETIC CONFLICTS POLICY

- Academic commitments should always take priority over athletic participation.
- Attendance at all academic and skills classes is expected. Away and home contests can, at times, result in a loss of classroom time. Therefore, unnecessary skipping of class should not be the decision of choice.
- Classes, meetings or examinations cannot be missed for scrimmages or practice.
- Because intercollegiate schedules are established before academic registration, conflicts will be evident before classes begin. Students are expected to communicate any potential absences from class with their professor. Depending upon the circumstances, instructors may be willing to work out a solution, but in those instances when this is not possible, the academic commitment must always take precedence. All such discussions should take place at the earliest possible moment in the semester and, whenever possible, in the office hours of the faculty member. It is unacceptable to leave the request of absence until the day of the game. Coaches and faculty liaisons can also notify professors of any potential conflicts though a letter when necessary.
- When establishing academic schedules, students should give consideration to athletic participation but should never avoid taking a course simply to avoid conflicts with a sport.

Please remember that this is the Department of Physical Education and Athletics' policy and thus may not always conform to faculty members' policies for their classes.