

# Sweetwater Union High School District Athletics and Compliance

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To: Dr. Karen Janney

Fm: Joe Heinz, Athletics Coordinator

Re: Athletics' Update

Below is a list of items which are the focus of the Sweetwater Union High School District moving forward into the 2015-2016 school year:

#### 1. Athletics Review

A comprehensive review of all SUHSD Athletic Programs is currently underway. The Athletic Coordinator will establish and convene a subcommittee of athletic directors, coaches, assistant principals, principals, and parents to examine the strengths, weaknesses, goals and vision for the future of Athletics within the Sweetwater Union High School District. A presentation will be given to the Board of Trustees and public in late August or early September.

### 2. Athletic Director

Athletic Directors at all 12 district schools will have 3 periods of their schedule dedicated to the role of oversight and support of the athletic programs at the site. This combination of district and site funding will have a major impact on the ever increasing expectations for Athletics at the site level. A specific outline of expectations is being finalized and will be consistent across all the comprehensive high schools in the Sweetwater District.

### 3. Outside of Season of Sport Guidelines for all SUHSD Schools

This item will be presented at the July 13 Board of Trustees' meeting. The goal of this item is to provide clear and consistent guidelines on how coaches and athletic teams will be permitted to operate OUTSIDE their season of sport. CIF Bylaw Article 600.2, Outside of Season of Sport Activities, will guide this recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

#### 4. SUHSD On-line Athletic Clearance Form for Interscholastic Activities

All SUHSD Schools will be moving to online clearances for all interscholastic athletics. This will be both a cost and time saving process for the over 10,000 student athletes in our schools and community. This program will help expedite the clearance process for all stakeholders as well as provide immediate results and feedback to all parents, coaches, and administrators. The current plan is to have this process in place for clearances for the Fall Sports season starting in late July/Early August.

### 5. Expectations for All SUHSD Coaches

The Athletics Office and Human Resources Department are currently reviewing the requirements and expectations for all Sweetwater District coaches. These expectations are reviewed with all coaches on a yearly basis at site and district level athletic meetings. Annually, every coach in the district signs an acknowledgement of the review and adherence to these expectations. All revisions will be ready prior to the start of the 2015 Fall Sports season.

## 6. Athletic Websites/CIF Home Campus

All SUHSD high schools will have a dedicated athletics' webpage that is synced with CIF Home Campus. It will be an excellent resource for all parents, students, staff and community. Each site will contain up to date schedules, contest results, standings, map directions to away game venues, as well as news feeds and scrolling pictures of our student athletes. CIF Home is a mandatory reporting site for all of our coaches with their schedules and game results, which, synced with each schools *Home Campus* webpage, makes is almost self-sufficient with the information and data provided by the coaches. It will also serve as the home base for each schools coach and athletic administration contact information, as well as the hub for the new on-line athletic clearance system.