



Coaches, it is your duty to ensure that you do not enroll athletes who are ineligible to participate in OISRA competitions because they are recipients of cash awards.

Acceptance of cash scholarships, such as those offered by the Northwest Snow Sports Foundation, make a high school student ineligible to compete in the OISRA competitions.

Also, it would be a good idea to tell your college-bound athletes that collegiate rules for the compensation received by **potential** athletes can be even more stringent than OISRA rules, and students should become aware of all the eligibility rules that apply to them.

Extract from OSAA-OISRA Rule 8, governing student individual eligibility of the regulations regarding the accepting compensation. It is important to pay particular attention to **8-4-1**.

8-4 Awards: A student becomes ineligible for one (1) calendar year after the date of the report of the violation to the **OISRA** if at any time the student accepts or enters into any agreement for the purpose of later accepting any compensation or thing of value for or in recognition of athletic abilities, with these exceptions:

8-4-1 A student may not accept monetary compensation in recognition of athletic ability, participation and/or achievement during the Association year. A student may accept non-monetary compensation or items of value solely in recognition of athletic ability, participation and/or achievement if the total value of such non-monetary compensation or items of value, including the actual value of any discounts, coupons, etc., does not exceed \$300.00 in any association year.

NOTE: For the purposes of this rule, "non-monetary compensation or items of value" does not include customary awards of a symbolic nature without resale value such as the school's athletic letter, medals, ribbons, certificates, plaques, trophies and other emblems. This rule does not regulate or prohibit compensation received by a student athlete for ability, participation and/or achievement in a non-**OISRA** sport, nor does this rule prohibit the acceptance of college scholarships by student athletes.

8-4-2 A coach is responsible for reporting to **the OISRA League Representative** all compensation or items of value received by the student athletes on that coach's team within one (1) month of the receipt of the compensation or items of value. **OISRA League Representatives are responsible for verifying to the OISRA President** that the total sum of compensation or items of value received by student athletes at their schools does not exceed \$300.00.

8-4-3 A student participating without compensation as a contestant, coach or similar participant in athletic activities may accept the use of necessary equipment and incidental services customarily furnished amateur participants in such activities, may accept reimbursement for direct and necessary expenses for participation (including mileage where the student must drive), and where participation requires absence from home, may accept necessary meals and lodging.

Extract from Appendix 8. Eligibility OSAA/OISRA.