Priority Registration for student athletes, beginning Spring 2015 registration for Fall 2015 classes.

-Reasoning: Due to NEW NCAA legislation that was passed at this year's convention, progress toward degree requirements have been increased. Student will be required to pass (per their major) 9 credits to be eligible to compete the following semester (instead of 6), they will also not be allowed to use banked hours. That is an increase of 6 per academic year (summer hours cannot be used for the 18 required). There will be no averaging method, just actual for the SA to pass 27 hours (instead of 24, increase of 3). We already had the 2.0 to be in good academic standing. DSU standard is higher, that SA must have 2.0 before each semester after their freshman year.

-We could have issues with Elementary Education and Nursing…when a student is trying to get in to the program but only has 6 hours left to get accepted (in the past they would still have to take 12 hours, but we could use the averaging method. No longer would be the case).

-Department Chairs may be involved in a PTD waivers, based on policies of the school.

-NCAA has approved higher transfer standards for all Junior College SA's at this time. Most will have to have an Associate's degree before being eligible to compete and receive aid. (2 English classes, 1 Math, 1 Science with lab, 2.2 GPA and 12 transferable credits for each full time semester – of which, DSU, for athletic certification purposes (not graduation) can only accept 2 credits of activity classes. If you have a PE degree and these classes transfer toward the degree as required, any amount can be accepted.

FYI – Issue in the fall 2014, final exam week. We have games scheduled (practice at site on Dec. 16th, contests 17th 18th and Sat. the 20th). Starting the22nd we have an NCAA mandated break for 7 days and cannot practice or compete. Final exams are one week later, and the schedules cannot be changed.