

BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE COLLEGE POLICY

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I. Title of Policy

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II. Objective of Policy

To establish the framework within which the College provides and administers a comprehensive, inclusive, and compliant athletic program that enhances students' physical, social, and intellectual development.

III. Authority

New Jersey Statute 18A:64A-12, the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Handbook, and applicable federal and state laws governing collegiate athletics, nondiscrimination, safety, and student participation.

IV. Policy Statement

Brookdale Community College provides a comprehensive athletic program designed to enhance students' physical, social, and intellectual development. As the County College of Monmouth, Brookdale is committed to maintaining an athletic program that reflects excellence, integrity and quality.

To advance these objectives, Brookdale offers an integrated program of intramural and intercollegiate athletics including men's, women's, and co-ed teams, as well as intramurals open to all enrolled students. The program shall be administered in accordance with applicable state and federal regulations and institutional policies. The Director of Athletics is responsible for the development of the program, subject to oversight by the Chief Student Affairs Officer and approval by the President.

The overall program will be assessed on a five-year cycle, or more frequently as directed by the President, with a written report and recommendations submitted to the President and Board of Trustees.

Athletic programs will support team participation, academic success, student safety, fair and equitable competition, and alignment with the College's institutional mission.

A. Scope of Athletics Program

Brookdale offers intercollegiate athletics, intramurals open to all enrolled students, and designated co-ed teams such as cheer. Team designations follow NJCAA classifications and competitive structure.

B. Eligibility for Participation

Participation in intercollegiate athletics requires compliance with NJCAA eligibility rules, academic progress standards, conduct regulations, and medical clearance requirements. Additional evaluation may be required when medically indicated. Requirements apply equally to all students. Intramural participation is open to all enrolled students.

C. Team Participation

Brookdale provides equitable and inclusive athletic opportunities consistent with New Jersey anti-discrimination laws, federal law, and NJCAA regulations. Student-athletes may participate on teams subject to eligibility rules, safety standards, and medical clearance. Requests will be reviewed confidentially.

D. Compliance Obligations

The program shall comply with NJCAA bylaws, Title IX, New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, applicable College policies, and federal and state laws. The College will ensure equitable treatment and benefits for all student-athletes.

E. Administration and Oversight

The Director of Athletics manages day-to-day operations and compliance. The Chief Student Affairs Officer provides program oversight. The President holds ultimate authority and approval responsibility.

V. Responsibility for Implementation

The President, with administrative oversight from the Chief Student Affairs Officer and operational management by the Director of the Athletics Department, is responsible for implementing this policy.

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