

HEARING OPPORTUNITY: NCAA BYLAW 15.3.2.4

NCAA Bylaw 15.3.2.4 "Institutional Financial Aid"

NCAA rules and regulations state if an institution decides to reduce, cancel, or not renew institutional financial aid to a student-athlete based in any degree on athletics ability, the institution shall inform the student-athlete that he or she, upon request, shall be provided a hearing conducted by a committee outside of the Athletic Department. The institution shall have established reasonable procedures for promptly hearing such a request.

ATHLETICS APPEALS COMMITTEE

An athletics appeals committee has been established for those Nebraska student-athletes who have had their institutional financial aid reduced or cancelled during the period of the award, or is not renewed.

If a student-athlete wants to appeal the decision of the Department of Athletics, the following procedures must take place:

1. The student-athlete must submit in writing to the Chair of the Athletics Appeals Committee a request for an appeals board hearing within 30 days of the original notification date.
2. An appeals board meeting date will be established by the "Athletics Appeals Committee," which consists of (1) Nebraska representative to the NCAA and Big 12 Conference; (2) Chair of the Faculty Intercollegiate Athletic Committee, or his/her designee; (3) President of Student-Athlete Advisory Board of his/her designee; (4) Assistant Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs; (5) Faculty/Staff member; (6) Two at-large members; a student-athlete and one Faculty/Staff.
3. Minutes will be kept of the meeting, and the student-athlete will have the opportunity to explain his/her situation and express their concerns.
4. The Athletic Department/coach will be asked to prepare a written and/or verbal report indicating basis for the reduction or cancellation.
5. The Athletics Appeals Committee will caucus following the hearing to determine the outcome of the appeal.
6. The decision of the Athletics Appeals Committee will be submitted to the Director of Athletics for appropriate action.