

Inclusion Forum Student-Athlete Symposium FAQs

1. Who is eligible to attend?

All student-athletes who have athletic eligibility remaining for the 2023-24 year, have been nominated by their campus Athletic Diversity and Inclusion Designee (ADID), and have an interest in or experience with fostering inclusive environments within their team, athletics department and/or campus community. Student-athletes must confirm their availability to attend the entire Inclusion Forum, April 24 – 26 in Indianapolis, IN, prior to being nominated.

2. Who can I nominate?

Campus Athletic Diversity and Inclusion Designees can nominate one student-athlete from their institution who has either been involved in inclusion and belonging initiatives OR has demonstrated interest in gaining more experience with inclusion and belonging.

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3. What is the selection process?

On January 22 at 12 p.m. ET, ADIDs will be emailed a link to nominate one eligible student-athlete from their institution. Selections will be made on a first-come, first-served basis. Sixty student-athletes will be selected, 20 from each of the three divisions. The office of inclusion will reach out to the first 60 nominated student-athletes with more information about registration and other details once participants are confirmed.

4. Is there a waitlist?

Once all spots have been claimed, the remaining nominated student-athletes will be placed on a waitlist, in the chronological order of nomination. Should additional spots become available, waitlisted nominees will be contacted with an opportunity to attend the Student-Athlete Symposium.

5. Will symposium participants be able to attend the Inclusion Forum as well?

Yes. Participants of the symposium are expected to attend Inclusion Forum when they are not engaged in programming for the Student-Athlete Symposium which will be held primarily on Thursday, April 25.

6. What is the cost to attend the Student-Athlete Symposium?

Admission to NCAA Inclusion Forum will be waived for all student-athletes. The office of inclusion will also cover hotel and flight costs for the 60 symposium participants that are selected.

7. Can student-athletes still attend the NCAA Inclusion Forum if they are not nominated or selected for the Student-Athlete Symposium?

Yes. We encourage student-athletes who are not nominated or selected for the Student-Athlete Symposium to still attend the NCAA Inclusion Forum. If additional opportunities become available for student-athletes to participate in the symposium, registered student-athletes will be contacted.

8. What is the dress code?

Business casual. Sports coat/blazer, polos, quarter zips, slacks, skirts and dresses are all acceptable.

9. What is the time/schedule for the Student-Athlete Symposium?

The NCAA Inclusion Forum begins at 3 p.m. ET on April 24 and ends at noon on April 26. Programming for the Student-Athlete Symposium will be held primarily on Thursday, April 25. The detailed schedule will be released closer to Inclusion Forum.

10. What will student-athletes gain by attending the Student-Athlete Symposium?

Student-athletes will be engaged, equipped, and empowered to actively participate and contribute to the DEIB initiatives within their teams, in their athletic departments, on their campuses, in their communities and on a national level. Attendees will also have the opportunity to meet and network with other student-athletes who have an interest in DEIB.