Considerations for Financial Aid Office

**Current Rule**

- Permits SAs to receive compensation for legitimate employment without that compensation being considered financial aid.
- Prohibits compensation based on the value that a SA’s NIL may have for the employer.
- Restrictions on use of student-athlete NIL.

**Policy Effective July 1, 2021**

- Permits SA to be compensated for use of their NIL, in addition to normal employment compensation.
- Under the NCAA’s interim NIL policy, NIL compensation cannot be contingent on athletic participation or achievement (e.g., financial incentives based on points scored). Athletic performance may enhance a student-athlete’s NIL value but athletic performance may not be the “consideration” for NIL compensation.
- NCAA guidance does not supersede any institutional financial aid policies that may be in effect. If student-athletes receive personal compensation for their NIL, that may affect the application of school financial aid policies (e.g., calculation of need). The interim policy does not alter the amount of financial aid and benefits student-athletes can receive from schools.

**REMINDER:** NIL policies do not dictate or supersede school policies.