



## 2026 NCAA Division II Revenue Distribution



Funds for the distributions are approved annually by the NCAA Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee as part of the Division II budget.

<u>Fund Description:</u>	<u>Data submission:</u>	<u>Due date for data:</u>	<u>Fund release date:</u>	<u>Fund Amount:</u>	<u>Paid to:</u>
Conference Sports Sponsorship Fund	Revenue Distribution System	11/1/2025	4/15/2026	\$ 6,309,729	Conference
Institutional Equal Distribution Fund	Not required	NA	4/15/2026	\$ 2,103,242	Institution

## Division II Conference Sport Sponsorship Fund

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The Division II conference sports sponsorship fund is distributed to active Division II conferences in April based on the number of sports sponsored in the prior academic year. Conferences must have at a minimum six active Division II institutions sponsoring the NCAA sport to be eligible for the fund. In 2025, each unit for Division II conference sports sponsorship fund was approximately \$14,797, for a total distribution of \$6.12 million.

Annually, the conference is required to verify the sports sponsored for the previous academic year within the NCAA Revenue Distribution system. The NCAA Sports Sponsorship and Demographic form automatically captures the sports that each institution reported as sponsoring for the previous academic year and transfers that information to the Revenue Distribution system. Conferences are required to verify the information by November 1. If the submission is received past the deadline, the conference will be fined.

The following policies apply to conferences for fund eligibility:

- Conferences become eligible for the sports-sponsorship portion of the fund one year after active conference membership (NCAA Bylaw 7.3.5.1.3).
- Each sport counted by the conference must have at least six active Division II institutions that meet the minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship per Bylaw 7.3.5.1.3.3. Regular season, post season and exempt contests would count towards minimum contests' requirements.
- Affiliate institutions can be counted toward meeting the minimum of six institutions for sports-sponsorship.
- If an active conference falls below the minimum number of six institutions sponsoring a specific sport, the conference will forfeit funds for that sport for the following academic year. To begin receiving funds again, the active conference must meet the minimum of six institutions sponsoring a sport.
- A voting member conference that fails to satisfy minimum sports-sponsorship criteria in a given year shall be placed on probation for one year in the next academic year after noncompliance occurs. During the probationary year, the conference shall not be eligible to receive conference sports sponsorship funds (Bylaw 7.3.5.8.1).
- A Division I sport is countable only if there is not a Division II championship for the six institutions to compete in.
- A National Collegiate sport is countable.
- An emerging sport for women is countable.
- Competing in the NAIA Championship for any sport is not countable.

## Division II Institutional Equal Distribution Fund

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The Division II Institutional Equal Distribution Fund is sent to active Division II institutions in April. Each active and eligible Division II institution in the academic year in which the distribution occurs will receive an equal share of the fund. In 2025, the distribution was \$2.04 million, approximately \$7,319 per institution. The institutional allocation will be earmarked to benefit the athletics department, but institutions will not be required to submit a report on how the funds were used.

The following policies apply to institutions to be eligible for the funds:

- To be an active member, an institution shall be in compliance with all applicable provisions of the constitution and bylaws of the Association.
- Institutions must be current with NCAA membership dues.
- Single gender institutions are eligible to receive a full share of the fund.
- Division I or III institutions are not eligible for the fund.
- Division II institutions are eligible for the funds, even if the institution has opted to compete in one Division I sport. However, the institution must be eligible in the Division I sport.
- An institution qualifies for funds as long as it is in good standing.
- Division II for-profit institutions that are not affiliated with a Division II conference are not eligible to receive funds.
- An active member institution that fails to submit data for the Academic Success Rate by the applicable deadline shall forfeit receipt of institutional equal distribution funds with the next distribution (Bylaw 7.3.1.5.12.1).
- If an institution fails to submit its Academic Performance Census by the applicable deadline, in a format approved and administered by the Executive Board (or a committee designated by the Executive Board), that institution shall forfeit institutional equal distribution funds with the next distribution (Bylaw 7.3.1.5.13).
- If an institution fails to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey by the applicable deadline, that institution shall forfeit receipt of Division II institutional equal distribution funds with the next distribution (Bylaw 7.3.1.5.19.1).
- An active member institution that fails to submit its financial data per NCAA Article 2-D-1-c by the applicable deadline (January 15th), in a format approved and administered by the Membership Committee (Membership Financial Reporting System (MFRS)), shall forfeit Division II Institutional Equal Distribution Funds with the next distribution. (Bylaw, 7.3.1.5.23).
- A member of Division II that is reclassifying to Division I shall no longer be eligible for the Division II institutional equal distribution fund once it officially begins the reclassification process.
- A member of Division II that is reclassifying to Division III remains eligible for Division II institutional equal distribution funds during the Division III exploratory period, provided the institution continues to comply with all Division II regulations. However, such eligibility shall terminate once the exploratory period ends and the reclassification period to Division III has officially begun.