Declaration of Playing Season

This section contains information regarding playing season requirements:

POLICIES:

It is ultimately a head coach’s responsibility to maintain a permissible playing and practice season per NCAA rules found in Bylaw 17: Playing Seasons.

Scheduling of the beginning of the year compliance eligibility meetings are based on the first practice and competition dates as reported on the Playing Season Declaration Form.

The Playing Season is defined as the period of time between the first practice session and the last competition or practice session. Recognized practices and competitions can only take place during the playing and practice season as defined on the Playing Season Declaration Form.

The Playing Season is broken down into two (2) segments:

- **Championship Segment** – the portion of the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship in that sport.
- **Non-Championship Segment** – the remaining portion of the playing season.

Outside competition is defined as an athletic competition against any other athletics team that does not represent the intercollegiate program at Glenville State College.

- Student-athletes cannot participate in outside competition unless he or she is certified as eligible to compete.
- It is not permissible to compete against teams that may have prospective student-athletes on their rosters.

PROCEDURES:

Each head coach is required to submit a completed Playing Season Declaration Form with an up to date competition schedule prior to the beginning of a playing season.

All sports, prior to July 1st for their following playing season must meet with the Compliance Coordinator for the purpose of calculating the first permissible date of practice for the subsequent academic year. Any changes must be submitted via a new Playing Season Declaration Form.

- All outside competitions, including scrimmages, exhibitions and alumni games must be reported.
- **All sports** weeks are defined as Sunday through Saturday. Any exceptions to this must be discussed and approved by the Compliance Office.
- Once the seven day consecutive period (week) has been established and defined on the Playing Season Declaration Form it must remain consistent for the entire academic year (e.g., cannot change the definition at semester).
- The Compliance Coordinator will review the form and schedule for playing season compliance, maximum and minimum dates of competition, minimum participants, and sports sponsorship.