Michigan State University is responsible for insuring that its staff members (e.g., University staff, faculty, coaches) and any other individual or organization engaged in activities promoting the athletics interests of the institution (e.g., student-athletes, alumni, friends) abide by NCAA rules and regulations. MSU is responsible for the actions of boosters and booster support groups. Boosters are governed by the same NCAA and institutional rules and regulations as those placed upon all institutional athletics staff members.

Boosters are a vital contributor to the success of Michigan State athletics. As such, it is important that you assist us by adhering to all NCAA rules. Even though your intent may be to always help promote Spartan athletics, please be sure your actions do not violate NCAA rules. If a violation occurs, it may:

- Jeopardize prospective and enrolled student-athletes’ eligibility for intercollegiate competition.
- Jeopardize Michigan State’s membership status with the NCAA.
- Cause you to lose access to all booster benefits (e.g., season tickets, membership in a booster club).

Boosters found in violation of NCAA rules may face disassociation from MSU athletics. The disassociation may be imposed on a permanent basis, for the duration of the probationary period or for another specified period of time. The spouse of a disassociated booster is subject to the same restrictions as the identified individual. Disassociation from an athletics program requires that the institution:

- Refrain from accepting any assistance from the individual that would aid in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes or the support of enrolled student-athletes;
- Not accept financial assistance for the institution’s athletics program from the individual;
- Ensure that no athletics benefit or privilege be provided to the individual that is not generally available to the public at large; and
- Take such other actions against the individual that the institution determines to be within its authority to eliminate the involvement of the individual in the institution’s athletics program.
- A booster who has been disassociated from an institution is permitted to buy a game ticket to a sporting event.

If you become aware of a rule violation, please contact the Office of Compliance Services (517.432.5510) to report and/or discuss the information pertinent to the violation. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can contact the Office of Compliance Services without giving a name. The Office of Compliance Services will review the information and process it as necessary.

REMEMBER: ASK BEFORE YOU ACT!