

Downey Unified School District
STUDENTS

ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

AR 2360

In order to encourage the participation of students in athletics and to preserve the athletic eligibility both of the student and the school, these regulations are designed to prohibit the use of undue influence on students or parents for athletic recruitment purposes.

1. The orientation of eighth grade middle school students to the high school athletic program shall be limited to one visit by the athletic director of the high school in the student's attendance area.
2. Members of the high school coaching staff shall not participate in the orientation of middle school students.
3. High school staff members shall not attempt to secure the enrollment of any student not residing in their high school's attendance area.
4. Outside the school day a high school coach may coach middle school students, except in football, for a recreational or semi-recreational organization such as AAU, YMCA, church, city recreation, or similar organizations.
5. A high school coach shall not contact any eighth grade student to participate on a high school summer league team unless
 - a. the student is eligible to attend that high school in the fall, and
 - b. the student has indicated an interest in participating in the program.

Violations of these regulations and any undue influence on students or their parents by any person for athletic recruitment shall result in the ineligibility of the student and the school in accordance with CIF regulations. Furthermore, any staff member involved in improper recruitment practices shall be subject to loss of position.