

**REPORT OF THE FACULTY ATHLETICS REPRESENTATIVE**  
**Faculty Senate**  
**February 4, 2026**

**Committee on Academic Performance:** CAP will meet at the end of this month, February 2026.

**Awards Season!**

Applications for the NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship, ACC Scholarship and other awards are currently being completed. As FAR, I work closely with the academic counselors on award nominations and supporting the student-athletes as they complete the application. Most applications require a letter of recommendation from the Athletic Director, Head Coach, and a faculty member in the student's discipline. Thank you to all the faculty who have supported these students with letters, especially over the winter break.

**Question: What is the Student Athlete Experience?**

As we navigate through these changing times in college athletics, this question is often asked: what is the student athlete experience? How does the student's athlete integrate into campus life? How are they managing new financial decisions? Do they feel supported? If you have any ideas that you would like to share, please contact me at [krista.wallaceboaz@louisville.edu](mailto:krista.wallaceboaz@louisville.edu), I would love to hear your thoughts.

**NCAA, did you know?**

[December's report](#) shared information regarding sport's wagering and betting. As a reminder: Please remember that all Athletic Department staff members and student-athletes are prohibited from wagering on any sport sponsored by the NCAA. This includes internet wagering (e.g., DraftKings, FanDuel, Prize Picks, etc.) entering bracket pools, parlay cards, or placing wagers on any prop bets. In addition to traditional sports wagering outlets, please know these rules apply to predictive markets (i.e. Polymarket, Kalshi, etc.) as well. We understand predictive markets offer commodities other than sports however, it is impermissible to participate in predictive market offerings related to sports sponsored by the NCAA.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dr. Krista Wallace-Boaz, FAR (Faculty Athletics Representative)