

## **Gambling on Website – NCAA Violation**

It has come to our attention that Facebook is sponsoring a men's basketball NCAA basketball championship pool on its website. There is no charge to complete the bracket, but there is \$25,000 for the winner. It is an NCAA violation for student-athletes, coaches, as well as administrators to participate in bracket contests for monetary gain. A prize is the same as a monetary gain. Student-athletes can lose their eligibility by participating in the Facebook pool or any other pool.

We ask that all coaches, academic advisors, administrators who have contact with our student-athletes to discuss this matter with them ASAP, especially the Facebook pool. If you have an email distribution list for your team, please forward to them.

Please contact the compliance office if you have any questions regarding this issue.