



Camp Policy

Any locally arranged football player camp that portends an early start to the season is prohibited. Even if there may be a perception that a camp is an early start of the season, to avoid potential problems, the specifics of that camps should be reviewed and approved by the Council at or before its June meeting.

A football player camp is normally run in a collaboration between the System and its local High School. Camps run exclusively by the System must be reviewed and approved case-by-case by the Council or the Grievance Committee.

Systems that participate in local community football focused player camps that are hosted and administered by the HS, Boys and Girls Club, Parks and Recreation, or other organizations shall adhere to the following restrictions/conditions.

1. Any player camps in which a System's players participate shall not be for the exclusive benefit of those players and must be open to the community.
2. Local arranged camps in which a System's players participate shall be posted on the System website as well as the GEJFA website; this does not apply to professionally sponsored, hosted and arranged camps, such as USA Football, Darrin Slack, UofW Huskies, etc. (see below).
3. Players shall not participate in camps as teams or any segment of a team; e.g., you can't have all the players from a particular team participate in the camp as a group, nor could you have all the offensive linemen (etc) from a specific team participate as a group.
4. Systems can encourage their players to participate in such camps, but shall not make or imply that participation is mandatory, nor shall players be rewarded in any way for their participation.
5. Youth coaches may participate in the camps as instructors but shall not coach their team or a segment of their team exclusively.
6. Liability and accident insurance is the responsibility of the hosting organization; no GEJFA insurance applies.
7. The camp host is responsible for all required safety training, e.g., concussion training per Washington State law.

Player participation in a professionally sponsored, hosted and arranged camps, such as USA Football, Darrin Slack, UofW Huskies, etc. is not subject to this policy.

Player participation in conditioning camps at which there is no specific football focus (football may be a included among several sports) hosted by the HS, Boys and Girls Club, Parks and Recreation, or other organization is not subject to the policy unless such camp portends an early start of the season for a System.

Subject to approval, a System may run its own camp. At a minimum, items 1 through 7 above apply as do the following:

1. No such camp shall be held after August 1.
2. If the camp involves uniforms, all participants must be appropriately accommodated.