HISD to help parents and staff navigate NCAA scholarship eligibility rules

May 25, 2022 – Representatives of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) will educate parents, coaches, academic counselors, and registrars on the eligibility requirements for student-athletes who hope to play college sports.

Glenn Terry, NCAA director of outreach and strategic partnerships, will provide insight during a conference hosted by the Houston Independent School District Athletics Department. It is open to HISD parents and school district employees at no cost.

“Parents will learn about academic eligibility requirements for Divisions I, II, and III sports,” said HISD Athletic Director Andre’ Walker. “It’s important to know what courses a student must take to qualify for athletic scholarships.”

Terry understands all sides of the eligibility process and will provide important information.

“Understanding the academic requirements is key to helping high school student-athletes achieve their dreams to play in college,” Terry said.

Earning a collegiate scholarship can be life-changing because most athletes cannot depend on turning pro after their college career.

According to the NCAA, there are more than 500,000 student-athletes and less than 2 percent will turn pro.

Two conferences will be held at Delmar Fieldhouse, 2020 Mangum Road.

Training for parents will be held on Wednesday, June 1, at 6 p.m. Training for coaches and counselors will be held on Thursday, June 2, at 5:30 p.m.

Registration is not required to attend.
The Houston Independent School District is the largest school district in Texas and the eighth-largest in the United States, with 276 schools and nearly 197,000 students. The 333-square-mile district is one of the largest employers in the Houston metropolitan area, with more than 27,000 employees.