OTHER REVENUES: INVESTMENTS

INVESTMENT AUTHORITY

APPROVED

INVESTMENT

INSTRUMENTS

The Superintendent or other person designated by Board resolution shall serve as the investment officer of the District and shall invest District funds as directed by the Board and in accordance with the District's written investment policy and generally accepted accounting procedures. All investment transactions except investment pool funds and mutual funds shall be executed on a delivery versus payment basis.

From those investments authorized by law and described further in CDA(LEGAL), the Board shall permit investment of District funds in only the following investment types, consistent with the strategies and maturities defined in this policy:

- 1. Obligations of, or guaranteed by, governmental entities as permitted by Government Code 2256.009.
- 2. Certificates of deposit and share certificates as permitted by Government Code 2256.010.
- 3. Fully collateralized repurchase agreements permitted by Government Code 2256.011.
- 4. A securities lending program as permitted by Government Code 2256.0115.
- 5. Banker's acceptances as permitted by Government Code 2256.012.
- 6. Commercial paper as permitted by Government Code 2256.013.
- 7. No-load money market mutual funds and no-load mutual funds as permitted by Government Code 2256.014.
- 8. A guaranteed investment contract as an investment vehicle for bond proceeds, provided it meets the criteria and eligibility requirements established by Government Code 2256.015.
- 9. Public funds investment pools as permitted by Government Code 2256.016.

SAFETY AND INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT The main goal of the investment program is to ensure its safety and maximize financial returns within current market conditions in accordance with this policy. Investments shall be made in a manner that ensures the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio, and offsets during a 12-month period any market price losses resulting from interest-rate fluctuations by income received from the balance of the portfolio. No individual investment transaction shall be undertaken that jeopardizes the total capital position of the overall portfolio.

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LIQUIDITY AND MATURITY	Any internally created pool fund group of the District shall h maximum dollar weighted maturity of 180 days. The maxim allowable stated maturity of any other individual investment by the District shall not exceed one year from the time of pu The Board may specifically authorize a longer maturity for a investment, within legal limits.	num towned urchase.
	The District's investment portfolio shall have sufficient liquid meet anticipated cash flow requirements.	lity to
DIVERSITY	The investment portfolio shall be diversified in terms of inve instruments, maturity scheduling, and financial institutions to reduce risk of loss resulting from overconcentration of asse specific class of investments, specific maturity, or specific is	o ts in a
MONITORING MARKET PRICES	The investment officer shall monitor the investment portfolio shall keep the Board informed of significant declines in the value of the District's investment portfolio. Information sour may include financial/investment publications and electronic available software for tracking investments, depository bank mercial or investment banks, financial advisors, and represe tives/advisors of investment pools or money market funds. Monitoring shall be done monthly or more often as economic conditions warrant by using appropriate reports, indices, or marks for the type of investment.	market rces c media, ks, com- enta- ic
FUNDS / STRATEGIES	Investments of the following fund categories shall be consis with this policy and in accordance with the strategy defined	
OPERATING FUNDS	Investment strategies for operating funds (including any con mingled pools containing operating funds) shall have as the mary objectives safety, investment liquidity, and maturity suf to meet anticipated cash flow requirements.	ir pri-
AGENCY FUNDS	Investment strategies for agency funds shall have as their o tives safety, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to m anticipated cash flow requirements.	
DEBT SERVICE FUNDS	Investment strategies for debt service funds shall have as the objective sufficient investment liquidity to timely meet debt s payment obligations in accordance with provisions in the bo uments. Maturities longer than one year are authorized provilegal limits are not exceeded.	ervice nd doc-
CAPITAL PROJECTS	Investment strategies for capital project funds shall have as objective sufficient investment liquidity to timely meet capital ect obligations. Maturities longer than one year are authoriz vided legal limits are not exceeded.	l proj-
SAFEKEEPING AND CUSTODY	The District shall retain clearly marked receipts providing pro the District's ownership. The District may delegate, howeve	
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OTHER REVENUES: INVESTMENTS

BROKERS / DEALERS

SOLICITING BIDS FOR CD'S

INTEREST RATE RISK

INTERNAL CONTROLS

investment pool the authority to hold legal title as custodian of investments purchased with District funds by the investment pool.

Prior to handling investments on behalf of the District, brokers/ dealers must submit required written documents in accordance with law. [See SELLERS OF INVESTMENTS, CDA(LEGAL)] Representatives of brokers/dealers shall be registered with the Texas State Securities Board and must have membership in the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC), and be in good standing with the National Association of Securities Dealers.

In order to get the best return on its investments, the District may solicit bids for certificates of deposit in writing, by telephone, or electronically, or by a combination of these methods.

To reduce exposure to changes in interest rates that could adversely affect the value of investments, the District shall use final and weighted-average-maturity limits and diversification.

The District shall monitor interest rate risk using weighted average maturity and specific identification.

A system of internal controls shall be established and documented in writing and must include specific procedures designating who has authority to withdraw funds. Also, they shall be designed to protect against losses of public funds arising from fraud, employee error, misrepresentation by third parties, unanticipated changes in financial markets, or imprudent actions by employees and officers of the District. Controls deemed most important shall include:

- 1. Separation of transaction authority from accounting and recordkeeping and electronic transfer of funds.
- 2. Avoidance of collusion.
- 3. Custodial safekeeping.
- 4. Clear delegation of authority.
- 5. Written confirmation of telephone transactions.
- 6. Documentation of dealer questionnaires, quotations and bids, evaluations, transactions, and rationale.
- 7. Avoidance of bearer-form securities.

These controls shall be reviewed by the District's independent auditing firm.

PORTFOLIO REPORT

In addition to the quarterly report required by law and signed by the District's investment officer, a comprehensive report on the

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investment program and investment activity shall be presented annually to the Board. This report shall include a performance evaluation that may include, but not be limited to, comparisons to 91-day U.S. Treasury Bills, six-month U.S. Treasury Bills, the Fed Fund rate, the Lehman bond index, and rates from investment pools. The annual report shall include a review of the activities and total yield for the preceding 12 months, suggest policies, strategies, and improvements that might enhance the investment program, and propose an investment plan for the ensuing year.

SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: EMERGENCY PLANS

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EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

The Superintendent shall ensure updating of the District's Emergency Operations Plan and ongoing staff training.

INSURANCE AND ANNUITIES MANAGEMENT: HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE

DISTRICT CONTRIBUTION	The Board annually shall determine the District's contribution to employee health insurance premiums as part of the budget devel- opment and adoption process. For purposes of the District con- tribution to employees' health insurance premiums, the Board may distinguish between full-time and part-time employees, as those terms are defined for other benefits.
CONTINUATION COVERAGE	The District shall continue its contribution toward the cost of the employee's group health insurance coverage while the employee is on paid leave or, if applicable, while the employee is on family and medical leave. [See DEC]
	The District shall not otherwise expend public funds for group health insurance coverage of an employee who is not on paid leave status. However, an employee who is not on paid leave sta- tus or FMLA leave shall be allowed to continue group health insur-

ance coverage, at his or her own expense, for the period specified in the District's group health insurance plan.

INTEREST IN

PROPERTY

CONFLICTS

STATEMENT

ENDORSEMENTS

DISCLOSURE

EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: CONFLICT OF INTEREST

DISCLOSURE — GENERAL STANDARD	An employee shall disclose to his or her immediate supervisor a personal financial interest, a business interest, or any other obliga- tion or relationship that in any way creates a potential conflict of interest with the proper discharge of assigned duties and responsi- bilities or that creates a potential conflict of interest with the best interest of the District.
SPECIFIC DISCLOSURES	The Superintendent shall file an affidavit with the Board President disclosing a substantial interest, as defined by Local Government
SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST	Code 171 002, in any business or real property that the Superin- tendent or any of his or her relatives in the first degree may have
	Any other employee who is in a position to affect a financial deci- sion involving any business entity or real property in which the employee has a substantial interest as defined by Local Govern- ment Code 171 002 shall file an affidavit with the Superintendent; however, the employee shall not be required to file an affidavit for the substantial interest of a relative.

The Superintendent shall be required to file an affidavit disclosing interest in property in accordance with Government Code 553.002.

No employee other than the Superintendent shall be required to file the conflicts disclosure statement, as promulgated by the Texas Ethics Commission and as specified by Local Government Code 176.003–.004.

[See BBFA]

An employee shall not accept or solicit any gift, favor, service, or other benefit that could reasonably be construed to influence the employee's discharge of assigned duties and responsibilities. [See CAA]

An employee shall not recommend, endorse, or require students to purchase any product, material, or service in which the employee has a financial interest or that is sold by a company that employs or retains the District employee during nonschool hours. No employee shall require students to purchase a specific brand of school supplies if other brands are equal and suitable for the intended instructional purpose.

SALES

GIFTS

An employee shall not use his or her position with the District to attempt to sell products or services.

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COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: SALARIES, WAGES, AND STIPENDS

DEA (LOCAL)

The Superintendent shall recommend to the Board for approval compensation plans for all District employees. Compensation plans may include wage and salary structures, stipends, benefits, and incentives.

PAY ADMINISTRATION

ANNUAL PAY INCREASES

MID-YEAR PAY INCREASES

> CONTRACT **EMPLOYEES**

NONCONTRACT **EMPLOYEES**

CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS

EXEMPT

The Superintendent shall administer the compensation plans

consistent with the budget approved by the Board. The Superintendent or designee shall classify each job title within the compensation plans based on the qualifications and duties of the position. Within these classifications, the Superintendent or designee shall determine appropriate pay for new employees and employees reassigned to different positions.

The Superintendent shall recommend to the Board an amount for employee pay increases as part of the annual budget. The Superintendent or designee shall determine annual increases for individual employees, within budgeted amounts.

A contract employee's pay shall not be increased after performance on the contract has begun unless there is a change in the employee's job assignment or duties that warrants additional compensation. Any such changes in pay during the term of the contract shall require Board approval.

The Superintendent may grant a pay increase to a noncontract employee after duties have begun only when there is a change in the employee's job assignment or duties, or when an adjustment in the market value of the job warrants additional compensation. The Superintendent shall report any such pay increases to the Board at the next regular meeting.

The Superintendent or designee shall determine the classification of positions or employees as "exempt" or "nonexempt" for purposes of payment of overtime in compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).

The District shall pay employees who are exempt from the overtime pay requirements of the FLSA on a salary basis. The salaries of these employees are intended to cover all hours worked, and the District shall not make deductions that are prohibited under the FLSA.

An employee who believes deductions have been made from his or her salary in violation of this policy should bring the matter to the District's attention, through the District's complaint policy. [See DGBA] If improper deductions are confirmed, the District will reimburse the employee and take steps to ensure future compliance with the FLSA.

The Superintendent or designee may assign noncontractual supplemental duties to personnel exempt under the FLSA, as

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needed. [See DK(LOCAL)] The employee shall be compensated for these assignments according to the District's compensation plans.

NONEXEMPT Nonexempt employees may be compensated on an hourly basis or on a salary basis. Employees who are paid on an hourly basis shall be compensated for all hours worked. Employees who are paid on a salary basis are paid for a 40-hour workweek and do not earn additional pay unless the employee works more than 40 hours.

> A nonexempt employee shall have the approval of his or her supervisor before working overtime. An employee who works overtime without prior approval is subject to discipline but shall be compensated in accordance with the FLSA.

WORKWEEKFor purposes of FLSA compliance, the workweek for DistrictDEFINEDemployees shall be 12:01 a.m. Sunday until midnight on Saturday.

COMPENSATORY
TIMEAt the District's option, nonexempt employees may receive com-
pensatory time off, rather than overtime pay, for overtime work.
The employee shall be informed in advance if overtime hours will
accrue compensatory time rather than pay.

Compensatory time earned by nonexempt employees may not accrue beyond a maximum of 60 hours. If an employee has a balance of more than 60 hours of overtime, the employee will be required to use compensatory time or, at the District's option, will receive overtime pay.

USE An employee shall use compensatory time within the duty year in which it is earned. If an employee has any unused compensatory time remaining at the end of a fiscal year, the employee shall receive overtime pay.

Compensatory time may be used at either the employee's or the District's option. An employee may use compensatory time in accordance with the District's leave policies and if such use does not unduly disrupt the operations of the District. [See DEC (LOCAL)] The District may require an employee to use compensatory time when in the best interest of the District.

EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT: SEARCHES AND ALCOHOL/DRUG TESTING

DHE (LOCAL)

REASONABLE SUSPICION SEARCHES	The District reserves the right to conduct searches when the District has reasonable cause to believe that a search will uncover evidence of work-related misconduct. The District may search the employee, the employee's personal items, work areas, lockers, and private vehicles parked on District premises or worksites or used in District business.	
	Note: The following provisions apply to employees who are covered by the federal Department of Transportation (DOT) rules.	
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TESTING PROGRAM	The District shall establish an alcohol and controlled substances testing program to help prevent accidents and injuries resulting from the misuse of alcohol and controlled substances by the driv- ers of commercial motor vehicles, including school buses. The primary purpose of the testing program is to prevent impaired employees from performing safety-sensitive functions.	
DRUG-RELATED VIOLATIONS	The following constitute drug-related violations:	
	1. Refusing to submit to a required test for alcohol or controlled substances.	
	2. Providing an adulterated, diluted, or a substituted specimen on an alcohol or drug test.	
	3. Testing positive for alcohol, at a concentration of 0.04 or above, in a postaccident test.	
	4. Testing positive for controlled substances in a postaccident test.	
	5. Testing positive for alcohol, at a concentration of 0.04 or above, in a random test.	
	6. Testing positive for controlled substances in a random test.	
	7. Testing positive for alcohol, at a concentration of 0.04 or above, in a reasonable suspicion test.	
	8. Testing positive for controlled substances in a reasonable suspicion test.	
	The Superintendent shall designate a District official who shall be responsible for ensuring that information is disseminated to employees regarding prohibited driver conduct, alcohol and con- trolled substances tests, and the consequences that follow positive test results.	

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EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT: SEARCHES AND ALCOHOL/DRUG TESTING

CONSORTIUM	With specific Board approval, the Superintendent may contract on behalf of the District with outside consultants and contractors and work with a consortium of other local governments to secure the testing services, educational materials, and other component elements needed for this program.
	Under such contract, the consortium shall be responsible for imple- menting, directing, administering, and managing the alcohol and controlled substances program within the U.S. Department of Transportation guidelines. The consortium shall serve as the prin- cipal contact with the laboratory and for collection activities in assuring the effective operation of the testing portion of the pro- gram.
REASONABLE SUSPICION TESTING	Only supervisors specifically trained in accordance with federal regulations may, based upon reasonable suspicion, remove a driver from a safety-sensitive position and require testing for alcohol and/or controlled substances. The determination of reasonable suspicion shall be based on specific observations of the appearance, behavior, speech, or body odors of the driver whose motor ability, emotional equilibrium, or mental acuity seems to be impaired. Such observations must take place just preceding, during, or just after the period of the workday that the driver is on duty.
	The observations may include indication of the chronic and withdrawal effects of controlled substances. Within 24 hours of the observed behavior, the supervisor shall provide a signed, written record documenting the observations leading to a controlled substance reasonable suspicion test.
CONSEQUENCES OF POSITIVE TEST RESULTS	In addition to the consequences established by federal law, a District employee confirmed to have violated the District's policy pertaining to alcohol or controlled substances shall be subject to District-imposed discipline, as determined by his or her supervi- sor(s) and the Superintendent. Such discipline may include any appropriate action from suspension without pay during the period of removal from safety-sensitive functions, up to and including termination of employment. [See DF series]
	In cases where a driver is also employed in a nondriving capacity by the District, disciplinary action imposed for violation of alcohol and controlled substances policies shall apply to the employee's functions and duties that involve driving. Additionally, upon recom- mendation of the employee's supervisor, disciplinary measures up to and including termination of employment with the District may be considered.

EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT: SEARCHES AND ALCOHOL/DRUG TESTING

ALCOHOL RESULTS BETWEEN 0.02 AND 0.04 A driver tested under this policy and found to have an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or greater, but less than 0.04, shall be suspended without pay from driving duties for 24 hours. Subsequent violation may subject the driver to termination in accordance with Board policy.

ADMISSIONS: INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS

AUTHORITY	The Superintendent is authorized to accept or reject any transfer requests, provided that such action is without regard to race, religion, color, sex, disability, national origin, or ancestral language.
	A resident student who becomes a nonresident during the course of a semester shall be permitted to continue in attendance for the remainder of the semester.
TRANSFER REQUESTS	A nonresident student wishing to transfer into the District shall file an application for transfer each school year with the Superinten- dent or designee. Transfers shall be granted for one regular school year at a time.
FACTORS	In approving transfers, the Superintendent or designee shall con- sider availability of space and instructional staff, the student's disci- plinary history, and attendance records.
REVOCATION OF TRANSFER	A transfer student shall be notified in the written transfer agree- ment that he or she must follow all rules and regulations of the Dis- trict, including those for student conduct and attendance, and that violation of the District's rules and regulations may result in revoca- tion of the transfer agreement. The effective date of the revocation will be set in accordance with the written transfer agreement.
	Written notification of any transfer revocation shall be sent to the school district of residence.
TUITION	If the District charges tuition, the amount shall be set by the Board, within statutory limits.
WAIVERS	The Board may waive tuition for a student based on financial hard- ship upon written application by the student, parent, or guardian [See FP]
NONPAYMENT	The District may initiate withdrawal of students whose tuition payments are delinquent.
APPEALS	Any appeals shall be made in accordance with FNG(LOCAL) and GF(LOCAL), as appropriate.

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Brackett ISD 136901 STUDENT RECORDS FL (LOCAL) COMPREHENSIVE The Superintendent or designee shall develop and maintain a com-SYSTEM prehensive system of student records and reports dealing with all facets of the school program operation. These data and records shall be stored in a safe and secure manner and shall be conveniently retrievable for use by authorized school personnel. CUMULATIVE A cumulative record shall be maintained for each student from RECORD entrance into District schools until withdrawal or graduation from the District This record shall move with the student from school to school and be maintained at the school where currently enrolled until graduation or withdrawal. Records for nonenrolled students shall be retained for the period of time required by law. No permanent records may be destroyed without explicit permission from the Superintendent. [See GBA] CUSTODIAN OF The principal is custodian of all records for currently enrolled stu-RECORDS dents at the assigned school and for students who have withdrawn or graduated. The student handbook distributed annually to all students and parents shall contain a listing of the addresses of District schools. TYPES AND Each record custodian, at the location listed in the student hand-LOCATIONS OF book, shall be responsible for the education records of the District. **EDUCATION** These records may include: RECORDS Admissions data, personal and family data, including certifica-1. tion of date of birth. 2 Standardized test data, including intelligence, aptitude, interest, personality, and social adjustment ratings. 3. All achievement records, as determined by tests, recorded grades, and teacher evaluations. 4. All documentation regarding a student's testing history and any accelerated instruction he or she has received, including any documentation of discussion or action by a grade placement committee convened for the student. 5. Health services record, including: The results of any tuberculin tests required by the a. District. The findings of screening or health appraisal programs b.

the District conducts or provides. [See FFAA]

c. Immunization records. [See FFAB]

STUDENT RECORDS

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Attendance records.



	7.	Student questionnaires.
	8	Records of teacher, counselor, or administrative conferences with the student or pertaining to the student.
	9.	Verified reports of serious or recurrent behavior patterns.
	10.	Copies of correspondence with parents and others concerned with the student.
	11.	Records transferred from other districts in which the student was enrolled.
	12.	Records pertaining to participation in extracurricular activities.
	13.	Information relating to student participation in special programs.
	14.	Records of fees assessed and paid.
	15.	Other records that may contribute to an understanding of the student.
REQUEST PROCEDURES	Rec requisition shal The at al Supe restr copy	cumulative record shall be made available to the parent. ords may be reviewed during regular school hours upon written test to the record custodian. The record custodian or designee I be present to explain the record and to answer questions. confidential nature of the student's records shall be maintained I times, and the records shall be restricted to use only in the erintendent's, principal's, or counselor's office, or other icted area designated by the record custodian. The original of the record or any document contained in the cumulative rd shall not be removed from the school.
STUDENT RIGHTS	an ir	never a student has attained 18 years of age or is attending istitution of postsecondary education, the rights accorded to, consent required of, parents transfer from the parents to the ent.
ACCESS BY SCHOOL OFFICIALS	emp whic contr inclu are r a me	he purposes of this policy, "school officials" shall mean any loyees, trustees, or agents of the District, of cooperatives of h the District is a member, or of facilities with which the District racts for placement of students with disabilities. The term also des attorneys, consultants, and independent contractors who etained by the District, by cooperatives of which the District is ember, or by facilities with which the District contracts for place- t of students with disabilities.
		ool officials have a "legitimate educational interest" in a entry of the student;

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considering disciplinary or academic actions, the student's case, or an individualized education program for a student with disabilities; compiling statistical data; or investigating or evaluating programs.

ACCESS BY PARENTS

Parents may be denied copies of records after the student reaches age 18 and is no longer a dependent for tax purposes, when the student is attending an institution of postsecondary education, or if they fail to follow proper procedures and pay the copying charge. If the student qualifies for free or reduced-price lunches and the parents are unable to view the records during regular school hours, upon written request of the parent, one copy of the record shall be provided at no charge.

FEES FOR COPIES

TRANSCRIPTS AND TRANSFERS OF RECORDS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR

SPECIAL EDUCATION

RECORDS

STUDENTS IN

PROCEDURE TO

AMEND RECORDS

privacy rights.

The District may request transcripts from previously attended schools for students transferring into District schools; however, the ultimate responsibility for obtaining transcripts from sending schools rests with the parent or student, if 18 or older.

Copies of records are available at a per copy cost, payable in advance, as specified in the annual notice to parents of their

The District shall promptly forward education records upon request to officials of other schools or school systems in which the student intends to enroll.

The official responsible for ensuring the confidentiality of any personally identifiable information in records of students in special education shall be the director of special education.

A current listing of names and positions of persons who have access to records of students in special education is maintained at the special education office.

Within 15 school days of the record custodian's receipt of a request to amend records, the District shall notify the parents in writing of its decision on the request and, if the request is denied, of their right to a hearing. If a hearing is requested, it shall be held within ten school days after the request is received.

Parents shall be notified in advance of the date, time, and place of the hearing. An administrator who is not responsible for the contested records and who does not have a direct interest in the outcome of the hearing shall conduct the hearing. The parents shall be given a full and fair opportunity to present evidence, and at their own expense, may be assisted or represented at the hearing.

The parents shall be notified of the decision in writing within ten school days of the hearing. The decision shall be based solely on the evidence presented at the hearing and shall include a summary

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of the evidence and reasons for the decision. If the decision is to
deny the request, the parents shall be informed that they have 30
school days within which to exercise their right to place in the
record a statement commenting on the contested information and/
or stating any reason for disagreeing with the District's decision.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION The District has designated the following categories of information as directory information: student name, address, telephone listing, electronic mail address, photograph, and date and place of birth, as well as major field of study; degrees, honors, and awards received; dates of attendance; grade level; most recent educational institution attended; participation in officially recognized activities and sports; and weight and height of members of athletic teams.