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NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY

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Dear Boosters, Supporters, and Athletics Fans:

We appreciate the support you provide to North Carolina A&T State University and our wonderful student-athletes. Your continued engagement and enthusiasm is critical to the success of our educational and athletics mission. Thanks for all that you do.

Many of you are aware that a number of Division I universities have recently been investigated and sanctioned by the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) for failing to adequately monitor the benefits that their student-athletes have received. This letter is an effort to increase your knowledge about NCAA rules, as well as an invitation to help us comply with them.

NCAA rules prohibit a student-athlete from receiving any "extra benefit". An extra benefit is defined as any special discount or arrangement given to or made for student-athletes, their friends, or their family that is not available to the general student body or public. Receipt of an extra benefit by a student-athlete, their friends, or family will render the student-athlete ineligible for competition and subject them to repayment obligations.

Please reference the Booster Club Guidelines found under the Support Athletics tab on the Athletics website [www.ncataggies.com] for additional information regarding establishing and maintaining appropriate relationships with our prospective and current student-athletes.

North Carolina A&T's success is due to support from boosters and fans who continue to be cautious and knowledgeable of NCAA rules. If you have any specific questions regarding this information, or your interaction with our student-athletes, please feel free to contact the Athletics Compliance staff at 336.334.7686. I hope to see you at our games and athletics events this year. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Earl M. Hilton Director of Intercollegiate Athletics

