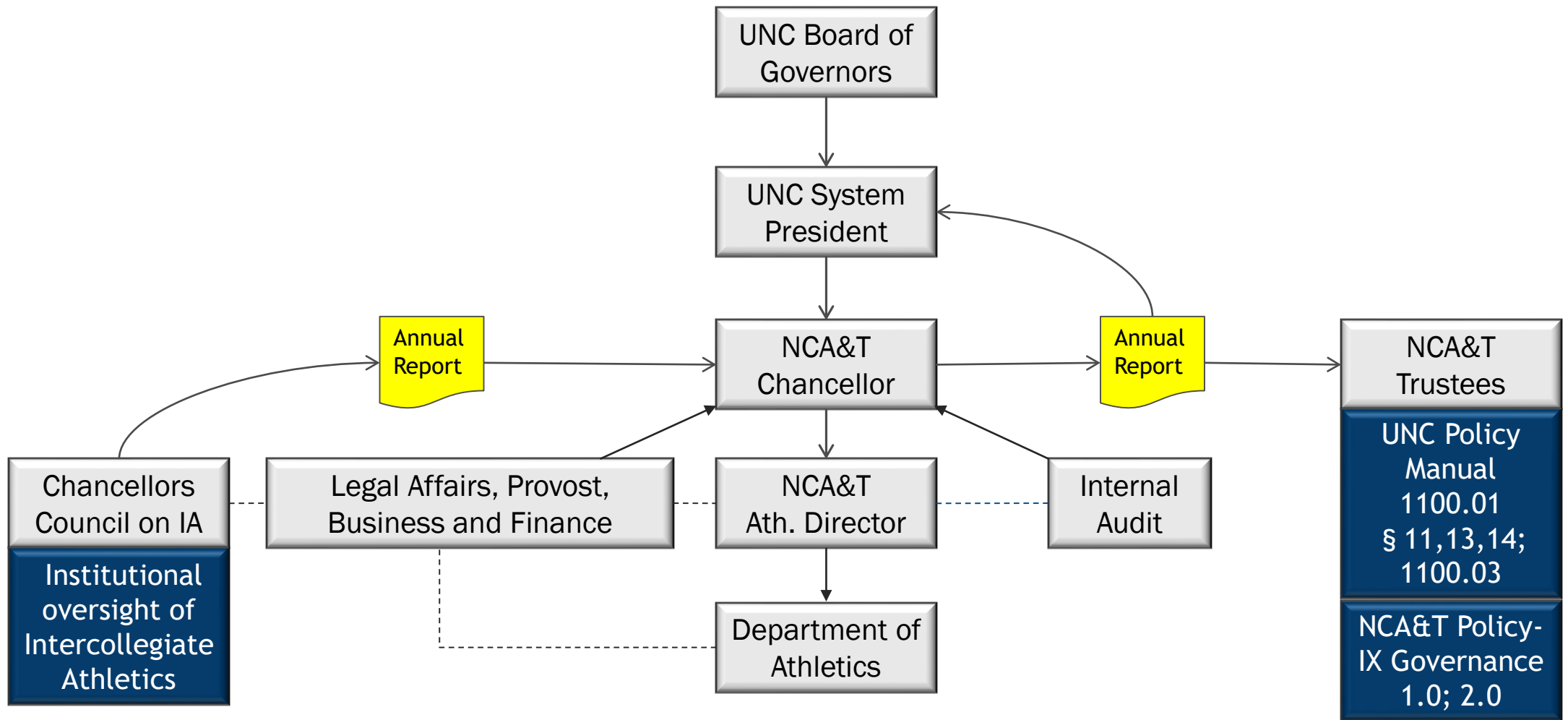


CHANCELLOR'S COUNCIL ON INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS ANNUAL REPORT 2021 - 2022

AGG
IES DO

Board of Trustees

February 2023



Group of faculty and staff charged with independent oversight of intercollegiate athletics. Charged to insure that athletics is functioning in substantial conformity with NCA&T and NCAA policy, and to confirm that athletics operates under the direction and control of the institution.

Chaired by a faculty member with direct access to the Chancellor.

Five (5) subcommittees, each chaired by faculty or non-athletics staff.

CCIA and sub-committees meet monthly.

Prepares annual report on athletics for Chancellor and BOT.

Academics - SA certification and progress toward degree, special admits, APR, graduation rates.

Budget and Finance - budget, booster club, analysis of fiscal position and viability.

Compliance - compliance with institutional and NCAA regulations, education of SA and campus, infraction investigation and reporting.

Gender Equity - Title IX and assess status of departmental gender equity plan implementation.

Welfare - evaluate adequacy and implementation of departmental SA welfare policies.

It is the opinion of the Chair that Intercollegiate Athletics has experienced continuous improvement, annually, under the current administration. The overall health of the program is good and continuing to improve. There are challenges, but only the eligibility violation is unusual for this program, and none stem from malfeasance or gross negligence.

- ❖ The Program performed perfectly when the NCAA audited the Program's eligibility certification process and previous certification accuracy.
- ❖ The 2021 student-athlete first time, full time cohort's high school mean GPA and SAT mean score are all-time highs for the Program.
- ❖ No team is currently under penalty for its Academic Progress Rate.
- ❖ The Program won 2 post season championships.
- ❖ For 2021-2022, sportsmanship training, attestations, signage, and announcements are in place, thus the Program continues addressing persistent complaints of verbal and mental abuse.
- ❖ Student-athlete aid is now approximately equal to one-third of the Program's expenditures, more in line with the Big South, FCS, and Division I.
- ❖ The system for reporting abuse and violations is in use by student-athletes.

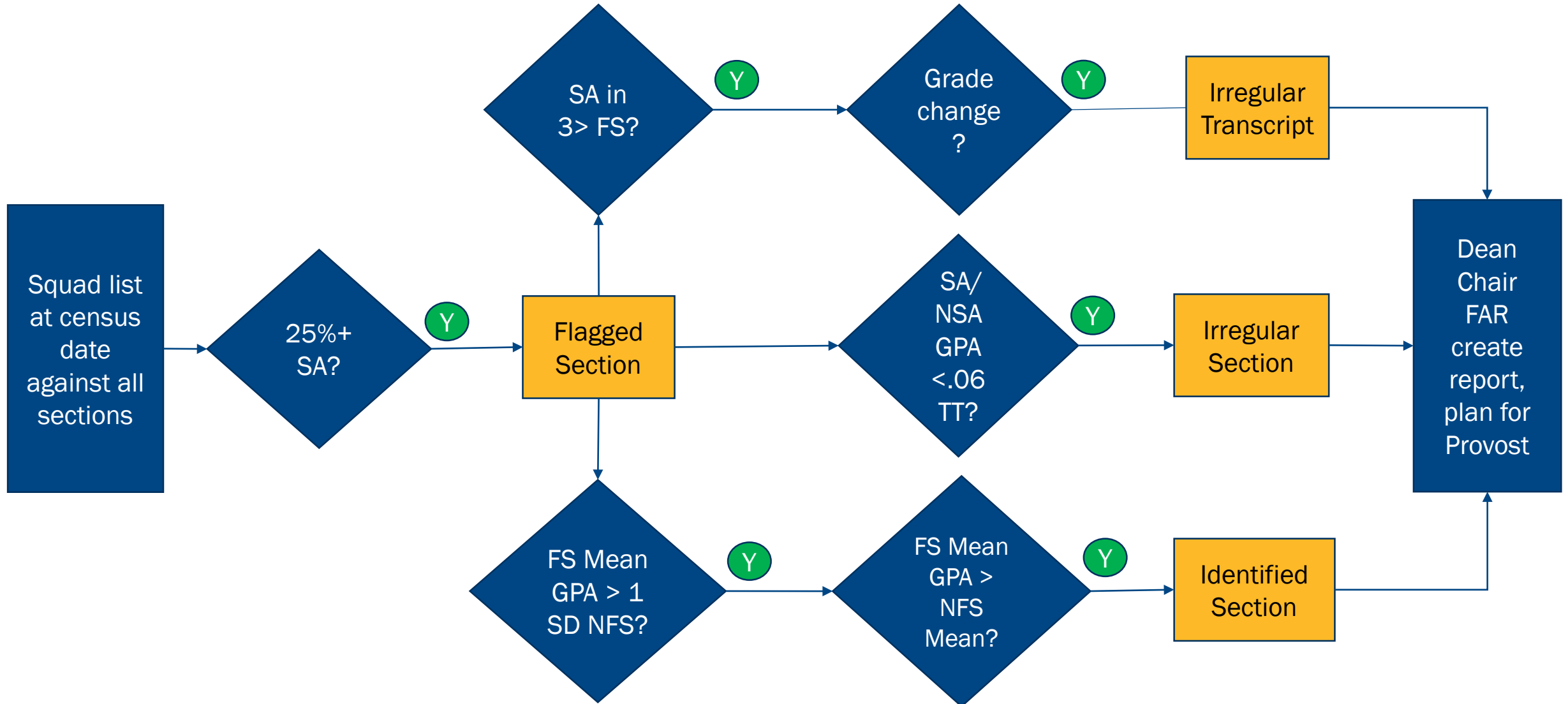
- ❖ That there were three NCAA violations reported is not a concern, but that one of them is about eligibility certification is a concern causing the Big South to vacate a post season championship.
- ❖ Intercollegiate Athletics did not report the eligibility certification violation to the Council in a timely manner.
- ❖ Competition frequency continues to cause pervasive violations of the Missed Class policy.
- ❖ 14 Intercollegiate Athletics positions remain unfilled. The SAAEP has 3 unfilled positions.
- ❖ The number of positive tests for marijuana decreased from 18 to 12.
- ❖ 1 student-athlete was dismissed for continued poor academic performance.

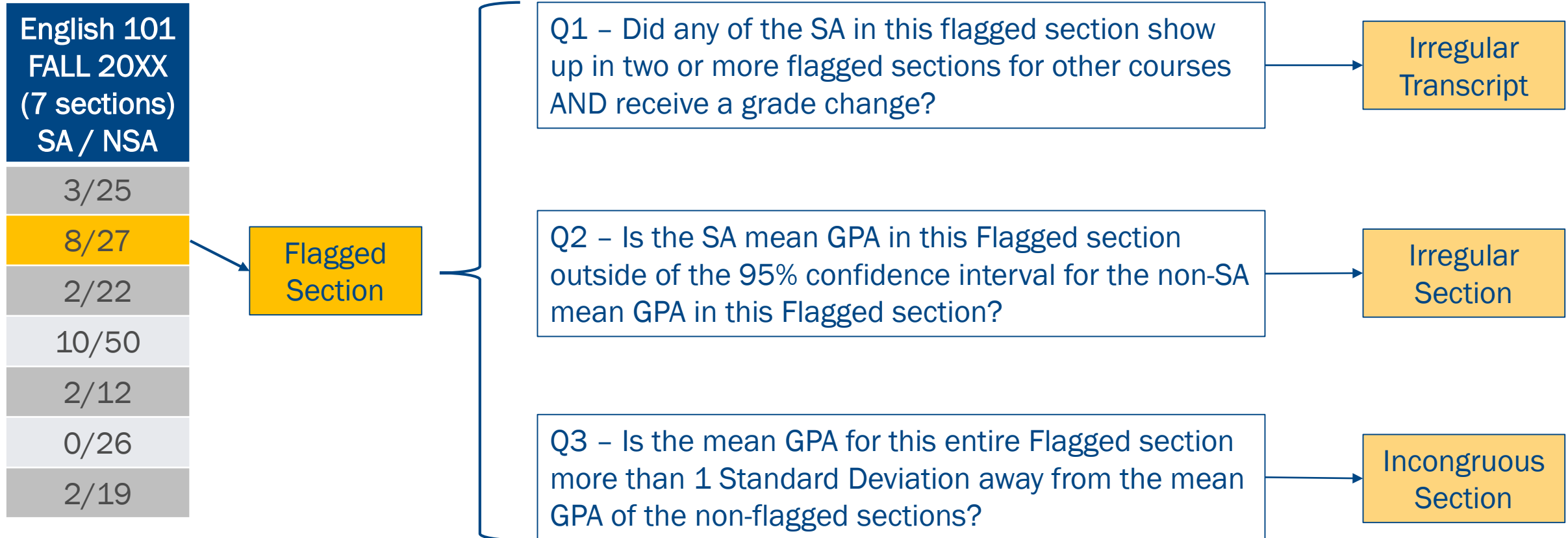
- ❖ There is no effective means for detecting systematic cheating.
- ❖ The percentages of student-athletes reporting verbal and mental abuse in the annual survey are persistent.
- ❖ The detection of a variety of student-athlete welfare issues through the annual survey must be addressed. For example, there was an account of underage drinking prompted by team member (Cheerleading) upperclassmen in a previous year's survey, characterized as hazing by the survey participant.
- ❖ A large proportion of survey participants indicate that they would not report hazing and do not remember getting hazing education even though everyone signed off on hazing education.

- ❖ Conceptualize other methods for detecting systematic cheating.
- ❖ Conceptualize a means for encouraging the reporting of hazing.
- ❖ Because it harkens back to the days when eligibility certification was unreliable, formally examine the causes of the eligibility violation and craft a prevention plan for future use.
- ❖ Conduct a historical student-athlete success analysis of previous Chancellor's Exceptions.
- ❖ Analyze the academic profile of the dismissed student-athlete and report on possible supports that can prevent academic dismissals in the future.
- ❖ Add language to the Compliance Director reporting policy obligating Legal Affairs to communicate whatever the Compliance Director sends to it, in turn, to the Chancellor

MCR / MER	2018 - 19	2019 - 20	2020 - 21	2021 - 22
Total freshman recruited student-athletes (FRSA)	37	65	115	69
Total FRSA who did not meet MCR?	1	3	5	6
Total FRSA who did not meet MER?	4	5	9	1
Total FRSA who did not meet both MCR and MER?	0	1	5	1

GPA	Spring 2019	Spring 2020	Spring 2021	Spring 2022
Cumulative GPA – Student Athletes	2.87	2.88	3.05	2.91
Cumulative GPA – Non Student Athletes	2.84	2.84	2.94	2.91





	2018 - 19	2019 - 20	2020 - 21	2021 - 22
FLAGGED Sections (+25% SA)	49	48	63	56
1. <u>Irregular</u> transcripts (SA in 3+ Flagged sections)	37	21	24	20
Grade change?	9	10	1	1
2. <u>Irregular</u> sections (SA Mean GPA outside 95% confidence interval)	6	3	2	9
Irregular sections where SA Mean was higher than NSA mean?	0	0	1	3
3. <u>Incongruous</u> sections (FS Mean more than 1 SD from NFS Mean)	59	34	54	34
FS GPA higher in Incongruous sections?	15	4	7	0

No individual student-athlete whose transcript was evaluated performed uncharacteristically better during the term in question compared to his or her previous performance.

It is the opinion of the Chair of the Chancellor's Council on Intercollegiate Athletics that the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics and our student-athletes are acting in substantial conformity with the academic policies, regulations, and standards of the institution; that there is no evidence of any systematic or systemic academic fraud or malfeasance; and there is no basis to conclude that there are grades awarded that do not reflect actual work completed by our student-athletes.