NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification
Governance and Commitment to Rules Compliance
(Third Cycle, Class One)

The NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification developed these measurable standards to clarify expectations for each operating principle and to bring more consistency to the athletics certification process for institutions, peer-review teams and the committee.

~ Measurable Standards for Operating Principle 1.1 ~
Institutional Control, Presidential Authority and Shared Responsibilities

1. The chancellor or president must have and demonstrate clear and direct oversight of the athletics program.

2. The institution must provide evidence that specific governance policies exist for its governing board regarding the administration and oversight of athletics, including the role and responsibilities of its governing board.

3. The institution must provide evidence that written communication (e.g., governance policies) is provided annually to its governing board with respect to athletics.

4. The institution must demonstrate, through examples since the institution’s previous self-study, that its governing board’s oversight and policy formulation for athletics is consistent with its policies and stated responsibilities for other units of the institution (e.g., personnel, budget, facilities).

5. The institution must identify involved individuals or groups external to the athletics department (e.g., faculty senate, athletics advisory group, student-athlete advisory committee) and explain how they have opportunities to provide meaningful input into the formulation of policies and how they periodically review policy implementation related to the conduct of the athletics program.

6. Institutions must demonstrate institutional control of the athletics program with respect to budget, accounting, purchasing and debt management.

7. Institutions must demonstrate that an administrative review of NCAA comparative data (i.e., dashboard indicators) has occurred on an annual basis by the chancellor or president and his/her designees.