

## **Student-Athlete Advisory Committee**

SAAC gives student athletes a voice and a home.

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### **Transcript**

[V. Wheeler] It's the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and we were developed to become a direct response with the athletic department. We're the student voice. If they ever have to change any legislation or just need a student opinion on what kind of t-shirts to order even, or something even up to the level of what kind of punishment to instill if someone misses practice. We have to give our personal opinion and get to help make lots of important decisions.

[P. Brasovan] When I first got here we did not have priority registration and we worked hard as a SAAC committee and talked with our advisors and everybody that we could and we've made priority registration something for the athletes to have, which is pretty vital to our schedules, being that we have practice and especially, when you're traveling you want to be able to make it to as many classes as you can.

[V. Wheeler] Community service is really important; it's one of the things that SAAC actually concentrates on. Right now we currently go to Riley on the first Wednesday of every month and we put on a television show for all of the young kids that are in there and also we like to Gleaner's, which is a food pantry, and we package food for the elderly. And that's one of our most fun events; we actually hold a record for the most packages boxed within an hour. The most recent one we're doing is Step Onto Campus, which is for high school students, they get to come to IUPUI and we're going to show them the way around the Athletic Department and how to become part of athletics.