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**Cope, Butch** <bcope@khsaa.org>  
To: Julian Tackett <jtackett@khsaa.org>

Tue, Oct 8, 2013 at 11:28 AM

FYI ....before I call Mr. Johnson back.

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**From:** Baker, Kobie <kbaker@ncaa.org>  
**Date:** Tue, Oct 8, 2013 at 11:16 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Question  
**To:** "Cope, Butch" <bcope@khsaa.org>

Hi Butch,

I hope you are doing well and thanks for reaching out. Yes, the \$10,000 prize money rule is specific to DI tennis prospects.

12.1.2.4.2 Exception for Prize money - Tennis.

12.1.2.4.2.1 Prior to Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment. In tennis, prior to full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual may accept up to \$10,000 per calendar year in prize money based on his or her place finish or performance in athletics events. Such prize money may be provided only by the sponsor of an event in which the individual participates. Once the individual has accepted \$10,000 in prize money in a particular year, he or she may receive additional prize money on a per-event basis, provided such prize money does not exceed the individual's actual and necessary expenses for participation in the event. The calculation of actual and necessary expenses shall not include the expenses or fees of anyone other than the individual (e.g., coach's fees or expenses, parent's expenses). (Adopted: 4/26/12, Revised: 1/19/13 effective 8/1/13).

It is important to consider (1) who is providing the prize money and (2) how much the PSA accepts in a calendar year. Let me know if you would like to discuss over the phone and I will connect you with Libby Farley, who handles tennis on our Amateurism Certification Team.

Thanks,

Kobie

**From:** Cope, Butch [mailto:bcope@khsaa.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 8, 2013 8:00 AM

**To:** Baker, Kobie  
**Subject:** Question

Mr. Baker,

I hope you are doing well. I had a question regarding amateur status. One of our principals has called saying that he has been told the NCAA now permits a student to receive up to \$10,000 in prize money for competing in athletic events.

This would not be permitted under our Bylaws. I checked with Commissioner Tackett and he said he was not aware of this being permitted and suggested I contact you for clarification.

I specifically asked:

Butch Cope accepting a check for \$5,000 for finishing first in a tennis tournament and the check made out to Butch Cope and he said yes.

Thanks for any guidance.

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**Butch Cope**

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