MODESTO JUNIOR COLLEGE
ATHLETIC PROGRAM REVIEW, NOVEMBER 6 2017

A six (6) member Program Review team from the Big 8 Conference met on November 6, 2017, at Modesto Junior College (MJC) for the purpose of conducting an external review of the intercollegiate athletic program. The program review process is mandated once every five years by the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA) in the Constitution, Article 5 5.2.12.

(Excerpt from report recommendations):
STANDARD SEVEN: ACTIVITIES DIRECTED TOWARD STUDENT–ATHLETE ACADEMIC SUPPORT AND MATRICULATION.

1. The area of academic support services for student athletes seems to be doing a lot with limited personnel resources.

2. Modesto has a variety of programs to improve the academic success of their student athletes. A few are Starfish, learning communities, tutoring, mandatory grade checks and study halls are some of the programs MJC offers to help students learn.

3. Coaches, counselors and student athletes alike reported a strong working relationship with each other and that communication and support for one another was strong.

4. MJC provides student athletes with Priority Registration if they meet all the colleges' rules for enrollment. PR is provided in recognition of the unique requirements/challenges placed on them by the NCAA and NAIA organizations. This is a key component in helping student athlete's matriculate through MJC and on to the four year institutions recruiting their student athletes.

5. The student success specialist's position allows her to personally touch all students and guide them to appropriate resources.

Recommendations:

1. One athletic counselor, 60%-75%, with limited days and hours cannot adequately serve 340-400 student athletes. Having counseling available through EOPS and general counseling helps but it is evident to the committee this area should be addressed with a 100% full time athletic counselor committed to athletics only because of all the NCAA and transfer rules an athlete must abide by.

2. The athletic counselor needs to participate in the 3C4A/CCCAA conferences each year and the NC4A regional conference each year when it is held in CA.