Enjoying Success with At-Risk Student Athletes

I. Be the Champion in the Relationship
   A. Know the Common Characteristics of At-Risk Athletes
   B. Don’t expect At-Risk athletes to behave like non at-risk athletes
   C. Taking the high-road is a predetermined choice

II. Know the Difference in Fair and Equal
   A. Teach your team/staff that fair is not the same as equal
   B. Be fair not equal
   C. Examples of winning the fair vs equal battle

III. Be Proactive instead of Reactive
   A. Teaching lessons before they are needed
   B. Preparing the team to contribute to the success
   C. Educating and endearing others on your campus

IV. Tips for Winning with the Highly At-Risk Student Athlete
   A. Procrastinate all Permanent Decisions
   B. Bend Don’t Break
   C. Build relationships with their circle of influence
   D. Help them construct a vision