Coordinate a day where athletes get to teach their sports to their professors, such as an all staff batting practice and kick-off to spring sports.

## **CURRENT CHALLENGE:**

We still have the separation between academic and athletic services. We see the student and then we see the athlete. We get so caught up in not combining the two because playing a division 1 sport is very time consuming. The professors teach class, and the athletes play a sport. Why not have a day where the two can collide, and turn tables? The athlete gets to teach their sport to their professors?

## **PROPOSED SOLUTION:**

Have a day where there is an all staff batting practice and a kick off to spring sports. Raise money, or get a sponsor to have a small BBQ get together before a baseball/softball game, and allow the staff to have batting practice before the players. Stay and watch batting practice and enjoy the game.

## **BENEFITS TO FRESNO STATE:**

It helps give support to faculty and also shows that they career about their students and their athletes. Instead of it always being two different departments, why not work together and show appreciation? You can take one swing or 1,000 during a time frame, but you get to have fun and respect both sides of academics and athletics together. Get out of our elements to enjoy the company of one another.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**