SOCIAL MEDIA TIPSHEET



•Pictures, posts and comments are all public. Despite guarantees of privacy, they can often be viewed by the public and media. Contact media relations if someone posts a fake Facebook page claiming to be you.



Even these short 140-character "tweets" can be viewed by non-followers including the media and fans.



Anything you send in an e-mail or text message may be forwarded without your knowledge. Never send anything electronically you would not mind seeing in a story about yourself.



Anyone with a picture phone can now be a telejournalist; Actions taken off the field or court can be downloaded by non-reporters to a wide audience on You Tube.



Assume anything you write on a log can be used as a direct quote from a reporter in a mainstream article about you even if the reporter doesn't interview you directly.



Messages left on other people's voice mail can be shared with the media and public. Treat them as you would any interview quote or comment.



