Gambling, H.S. Fees, and Sexuality in Sport

First, gambling gets a lot of people into trouble. It is illegal to gamble while participating in the NCAA. There are organizations that can help you quit the addiction and that is Gamblers Anonymous. Gambling starts as something that seems like fun but then later turns to an addiction. Many online sites have areas where you can place bets. One of the most famous gambling games was the World Series against the Boston Red Sox and the White Sox. All players involved where banned for life from baseball. Another baseball player, Pete Rose got caught gambling. If you participate in pro or college sports you are not allowed to gamble. Many athletes that get caught gambling are suspended.

Second, High School fees and fees in sports can be a problem. Many fees are equal from male sports to female sports. The difference could be the cost of equipment. There are several factors that schools look at when coming up with a fee. The cost of participating could be more if the sport has referees as opposed to non-refereed sports. A few states forbid user fees. User fees are created to keep sports going. Some high schools do a flat rate. Winter sports usually cost more money. Also, may have to pay for practice time for different places. Many times extra charges are added to flat rates. The average cost of playing sports in high school ranges from $25 to $300.

Finally, sexuality in sports has had to overcome several barriers. Over the decades we have found out that gay or lesbian athletes are just as equal to any other athlete. It is a fact however that many athletes who are gay or a lesbian conceals that part of them until they are done with the sport. They feel that they have to hide a big part of them and that is really too bad. Some famous athletes that have played professional sports who are also gay or a lesbian include, Bill Tilden, David Kopay, Billie Jean King, Jerry Smith, Justin Farshau, Roy Simmons, Glen Burke, Greg Louganis, Muffin Spencer-Devlin, and Rudy Galindo.