



ACC Weekly Football News & Notes - Week 4

<b>2025 STANDING</b>	<u>S</u>											
	AC	CC	OV	ERALL	POI	NTS					VS. AP	VS. AP
STANDINGS	W-L	PCT.	W-L	PCT.	FOR	OPP	HOME	AWAY	NEUT	STREAK	TOP 10	TOP 25
Georgia Tech	1-0	1.000	3-0	1.000	110	53	2-0	1-0	0-0	W3	0-0	1-0
NC State	1-0	1.000	3-0	1.000	93	72	2-0	1-0	0-0	W3	0-0	0-0
Stanford	1-0	1.000	1-2	.333	53	70	1-0	0-2	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
California	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	96	32	2-0	1-0	0-0	W3	0-0	0-0
Miami	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	121	39	3-0	0-0	0-0	W3	1-0	2-0
Florida State	0-0	.000	2-0	1.000	108	20	2-0	0-0	0-0	W2	1-0	1-0
Louisville	0-0	.000	2-0	1.000	79	31	2-0	0-0	0-0	W2	0-0	0-0
North Carolina	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	75	57	1-1	1-0	0-0	W2	0-0	0-0
Pitt	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	130	57	2-0	0-1	0-0	L1	0-0	0-0
SMU	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	115	71	1-1	1-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Syracuse	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	119	89	2-0	0-0	0-1	W2	0-0	0-1
Virginia	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	134	58	2-0	0-1	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Duke	0-0	.000	1-2	.333	91	96	1-1	0-1	0-0	L2	0-0	0-1
Virginia Tech	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	57	113	0-2	0-0	0-1	L3	0-0	0-1
Wake Forest	0-1	.000	2-1	.667	76	53	2-1	0-0	0-0	L1	0-0	0-0
Boston College	0-1	.000	1-2	.333	126	82	1-0	0-2	0-0	L2	0-0	0-0
Clemson	0-1	.000	1-2	.333	58	57	1-1	0-1	0-0	L1	0-1	0-1

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2025 SCHEDULE - WEEK 4				
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20	TIME	TV	SIRIUSXM	APP/WEB
Syracuse (2-1) at Clemson (1-2) Series: Clemson leads series, 10-2-0; Last m ESPN: Bob Wischusen (play-by-play), Louis R	Noon ET eeting: Clemson, 31-	, ,	84, 371	84, 371
SMU (2-1) at TCU (2-0) Series: TCU leads series, 53-43-7; Last meet ESPN2: Roy Philpott (play-by-play), Sam Acho			382	972
Bowling Green (2-1) at Louisville (2-0) Series: First Meeting ACCN: Chris Cotter (play-by-play), Max Brown	Noon ET ne (analyst), Kendra I	ACCN  Douglas (sideline	<b>137, 193</b>	955
Wofford (0-3) at Virginia Tech (0-3) Series: Virginia Tech leads series, 1-0-0; Last ACCNX: Doug Sherman (play-by-play), Forres	• •	<b>ACCNX</b> ech, 27-7 (2022)	138, 194	956
North Carolina (2-1) at UCF (2-0) Series: First Meeting FOX: Eric Collins (play-by-play), Spencer Tillm	3:30 p.m. ET	FOX	83	83
Kent State (1-2) at #7 Florida State (2-0) Series: First Meeting ACCN: Jorge Sedano (play-by-play), Rodney l	3:30 p.m. ET  McLeaod (analyst), V	ACCN	84 eline)	84
NC State (3-0) at Duke (1-2) Series: Duke leads series, 43-37-5; Last mee ESPN2: Mike Monaco (play-by-play), Kirk Mor			137, 193, 383 line)	955, 973
Temple (2-1) at #18 Georgia Tech (3-0) Series: Temple leads series, 1-0-0; Last mee The CW: Thom Brennaman (play-by-play), Wil			<b>138, 194</b> eline)	956
Florida (1-2) at #4 Miami (3-0) Series: Miami leads series, 30-27-0; Last med ABC: Chris Fowler (play-by-play), Kirk Herbstr			84, 382	84, 972
Stanford (1-2) at Virginia (2-1) Series: First Meeting ACCN: Wes Durham (play-by-play), Steve Add	7:30 p.m. ET dazio (analyst), Dana	ACCN Boyle (sideline)	137, 193, 371	371, 955
California (3-0) at San Diego State (1-1) Series: California leads series, 5-4-0; Last me CBSSN: Alex Del Barrio (play-by-play), Randy			<b>138, 194</b>	956

### **QUICK HITTERS**

#### STRONGEST NON-CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

- Entering play this week, the ACC has the highest strength of schedule among all conferences at 49.52. (Sport Source Analytics)
- ACC teams are scheduled to play 26 games against peer Power 4 conference opponents and Notre Dame in 2025, the most of any conference by at least eight games.

# 2025 Scheduled Non-Conference Regular Season Games Versus P4 Opponents and Notre Dame

Conference	Games
ACC	26
SEC	18
Big 12	14
Big Ten	12

■ Through the first three weeks of the season, ACC teams have played 14 non-conference games against fellow Power 4 opponents and Notre Dame.

# Non-Conference Games Played Versus P4 Opponents and Notre Dame - Through Week 3

Conference	Games
ACC	14
SEC	12
Big 12	12
Big Ten	10

#### ACC WITH MULTIPLE TOP-10 WINS

■ The ACC is one of just two conferences with multiple top-10 victories so far this season.

#### ACC Teams with Top-10 Win in Week 1 of 2025

Date	Matchup	Result
8/30/25	#8 Alabama at Florida State	FSU, 31-17
8/31/25	#6 Notre Dame at #10 Miami	UM, 27-24

■ The ACC's two top-10 non-conference wins in Week 1 marked only the second time since 1980 that a single conference has achieved two such victories to start the season; the previous instance was when the SEC did so in 2018. (Stats Perform)



#### **ACC AVAILABILITY REPORTING**

- The ACC announced on July 22, 2025, two new policies to enhance the safety and well-being of ACC student-athletes in the 2025-26 academic year.
- (1) Institutional event security plans will limit access to the competition area in football and men's and women's basketball.
- (2) the availability status of student-athletes will be reported before each conference game in football, baseball, men's and women's basketball.
- Before each conference game, a team will disclose any student-athlete whose availability for the upcoming game is in question. A student-athlete can be listed on the Availability Report if their status is uncertain for any reason (e.g., injury or illness, academic or other eligibility issue, personal or family matter, etc.); however, only the status and not the specific reason will be publicly reported.
- In football, a report will be submitted two days before each Conference game (e.g., Thursday before a Saturday game) with an update on the day before the game and on game day.
- For each report submitted before game day, studentathletes will be designated as Available, Probable, Questionable, or Out for the upcoming game. Game Day Reports will be submitted two hours before each game. For this report, student-athletes will be designated as Available, Game Time Decision, or Out.
- All availability reports and the full conference policy will be available to the public and media on the ACC's website www.theACC.com.

(starts Week 3 with Conference play).

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\* This policy is intended to help protect student-athletes and staff members from outside entities seeking to obtain inside information about availability and participation, including but not limited to injuries. It will also reinforce to athletes and staff the sensitivity of such information.

# ACCOMPLISH GREATNESS

#### **AP TOP 25**

#### September 14, 2025

Rk.	Team	Points
1.	Ohio State (55)	1631
2.	Penn State (5)	1490
3.	LSU (2)	1470
4.	Miami (3)	1434
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6.	Oregon (1)	1423
7.	Florida State	1123
8.	Texas	1111
9.	Illinois	1110
10.	Texas A&M	1101
11.	Oklahoma	1056
12.	Iowa State	820
13.	Ole Miss	748
14.	Alabama	599
15.	Tennessee	583
16.	Utah	573
17.	Texas Tech	538
18.	Georgia Tech	511
<u> 19.</u>	Indiana	458
20.	Vanderbilt	397
21.	Michigan	356
22.	Auburn	344
23.	Missouri	292
24.	Notre Dame	207
25.	USC	105
(first-	place votes in parenthesis)	

#### **US LBM COACHES POLL**

#### September 14, 2025

Rk.	Team	Points
1.	Ohio State (62)	1668
	Penn State (3)	1559
2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.	Georgia (1)	1501
4.	LSU (1)	1468
5.	Oregon	1444
6.	Miami	1379
7.	Texas	1209
8.	Illinois	1150
9.	Florida State	1023
10.	Texas A&M	1003
11.	Ole Miss	951
12.	Oklahoma	906
13.	Iowa State	896
<u>14.</u>	Alabama	630
15.	Tennessee	625
16.	Texas Tech	563
<u>17.</u>	Indiana	550
<u>18.</u>	Utah	510
<u> 19.</u>	Georgia Tech	333
<u>20.</u>	Michigan	316
21.	Notre Dame	296
22.	Missouri	252
	Vanderbilt	249
24.	South Carolina	198
25.	Auburn	160
(first-	place votes in parenthesis)	

### 2025 ACC FOOTBALL NOTES

#### THREE ACC TEAMS IN TOP 20 OF AP TOP 25 POLL

- The ACC has three teams ranked in the top 20 of the Week 4 Associated Press (AP) Top 25 Poll: Miami (No. 4), Florida State (No. 7) and Georgia Tech (No. 18).
- Miami moved up one spot to No. 4 following its blowout win over then-No. 18 South Florida last week.
- Florida State continued its climb up the top 25 poll, moving up to No. 7 despite an open week in Week 3.
- Georgia Tech made its debut in the AP Top 25 Poll this year, coming in at No. 18 after a 24-21 win over then-No. 12 Clemson in the two teams' ACC opener on Sept. 13.
- Four other ACC teams received votes: Louisville (25), Clemson (6), SMU (4) and NC State (4).

#### TRIO OF TEAMS RANKED IN TOP 20 OF COACHES POLL

- Following Week 3, the ACC placed three teams inside the top 20 of the US LBM Coaches Poll: Miami (No. 6), Florida State (No. 9) and Georgia Tech (No. 19).
- Miami remained at No. 6 for the second straight week, like all seven top teams in the coaches poll.
- Florida State climbed into the top 10, moving up three spots to No. 9 overall following an open week.
- Georgia Tech jumped into the top 25 of the coaches poll this week after defeating then-No. 12 Clemson last Saturday, Sept. 13.
- Five other ACC teams received votes: Clemson (116), Louisville (53), SMU (24), NC State (13) and California (1).

#### THREE'S COMPANY IN THE TOP 10

■ The ACC is one of only three conferences to have multiple teams ranked in the top 10 of both the AP and Coaches Top 25 polls in Week 4.

#### ACC Teams in the Top 10 of the Polls in Week 4

Team	AP	Coaches
Miami	#4	#6
Florida State	#7	#9

#### ALL EYES ON CORAL GABLES, CANES IN WEEK 4

- The spotlight is coming back to Coral Gables. ESPN announced that College GameDay Built by The Home Depot will be live from the University of Miami as the undefeated Hurricanes host the Florida Gators in a primetime Sunshine State showdown on Saturday, September 20, at 7:30 p.m. ET on ABC.
- This marks the 26th time Miami has played in a game featured on *GameDay* and the ninth time as the host site. It will also be the fourth Miami–Florida matchup selected for *GameDay*, joining the high-profile meetings in 2002, 2008 and 2019, and just the first in Coral Gables.
- The Hurricanes will welcome GameDay back to Coral Gables for the first time since September 26, 2020, when then-No. 12 Miami hosted Florida State.
- In addition to ESPN's presence, the ACC Network's ACC Huddle will also be live from Coral Gables, adding to the atmosphere surrounding the rivalry showdown between Miami and Florida.



#### HALF DOZEN ACC TEAMS REMAIN UNBEATEN

■ Heading into Week 4, six ACC teams are still undefeated on the season. All six teams will be in action on Saturday, Sept. 20.

#### ACC Teams Undefeated Heading into Week 4

Team	Record
Georgia Tech	3-0
NC State	3-0
California	3-0
Miami	3-0
Florida State	2-0
Louisville	2-0

#### **ACC CONFERENCE PLAY IS HERE**

■ The ACC conference season kicked off with three league games in Week 3, all of which were decided by 10 points or less.

#### Week 3 Conference Matchups

Date	Matchup	<u>Result</u>
9/11/25	NC State at Wake Forest	NCSU, 34-24
9/13/25	#12 Clemson at Georgia Tech	GT, 24-21
9/13/25	Boston College at Stanford	STAN, 30-20

■ Conference play continues with three more league matchups on Saturday, September 20.

#### Week 4 Conference Matchups

<u>Date</u>	Matchup	Time (ET)   TV
9/20/25	Syracuse at Clemson	Noon   ESPN
9/20/25	NC State at Duke	4 p.m.   ESPN2
9/20/25	Stanford at Virginia	7:30 p.m.   ACCN

#### **ACC GAMES DOWN TO THE WIRE**

- From 2021–24, 107 of 236 ACC conference games (45.3%) were decided by eight points or fewer.
- In 2024 alone, 34 of 68 league games (50%) were onepossession outcomes.
- So far this season, one of three ACC games heading into Week 4 was decided by one score or less.

#### ACC League Games Decided by One-Score

Date	Matchup	Result
9/11/25	#12 Clemson at Georgia Tech	GT. 24-21

■ The ACC has consistently ranked among the nation's leaders in close games, highlighting the league's balance and competitiveness.

#### Close Games in ACC Play Since 2021

Year	One-Score Games	ACC Games	Pct.
2021	25	56	44.6
2022	24	56	42.9
2023	24	56	42.9
2024	34	68	50.0
2025	1	3	33.3

#### ACC FOOTBALL FRIDAYS

- ACC Football is set to dominate Fridays this fall, with a league-record 12 games scheduled for Fridays in 2025, the most of any conference.
- 12 of the ACC's 17 football programs will participate in at least one primetime Friday night game.
- ACC on Friday nights continues in Week 5, as Florida State will travel to Virginia for an ACC contest on September 26 at 7 p.m. ET on ESPN.

#### 2025 Scheduled Friday Games with ACC Teams

Date	Matchup	Time (ET)   TV
8/29/25	Kennesaw State at Wake Fore	est WF, 10-9
8/29/25	Georgia Tech at Colorado	GT, 27-20
9/5/25	James Madison at Louisville	UL, 28-14
9/12/25	Colgate at Syracuse	SU, 66-24
9/26/25	Florida State at Virginia	7 p.m.   ESPN
10/17/25	Louisville at #10 Miami 7 p.m	.   ESPN or ESPN2
10/17/25	North Carolina at Cal	10:30 p.m.   ESPN
10/24/25	Cal at Virginia Tech	7:30 p.m.   ESPN
10/31/25	North Carolina at Syracuse	7:30 p.m.   ESPN
11/14/25	#4 Clemson at Louisville	8 p.m.   ESPN
11/21/25	Florida State at NC State	8 p.m.   ESPN
11/28/25	#5 Georgia at Georgia Tech	3:30 p.m.   ABC

#### ACC IS THE CONFERENCE OF QUARTERBACKS

■ The ACC has seven quarterbacks that rank among the nation's passing leaders this season with an average of 260.0 or more passing yards per game - the most of any conference.

#### ACC QBs Among the NCAA Passing Leaders

NCAA	Quarterback (School) Pa	ssing YPG
<u>1st</u>	Steve Angeli (Syracuse)	357.3
3rd	Darian Mensah (Duke)	345.3
4th	Dylan Lonergan (Boston College)	330.3
20th	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	278.7
22nd	Eli Holstein (Pitt)	274.0
24th	Carson Beck (Miami)	270.7
28th	Jaron-Keawe Sagapolutele (Californ	nia) 260.0

■ Quarterbacks in the ACC have recorded a total of 12 300-yard passing games this season, the most of all conferences.

#### ACC QBs With 300-Yard Passing Games in 2025

Quarterback (School)	Games
Darian Mensah (Duke)	3
Dylan Lonergan (Boston College)	2
Eli Holstein (Pitt)	2
Steve Angeli (Syracuse)	2
Aaron Philo (Georgia Tech)	1
Carson Beck (Miami)	1
CJ Bailey (NC State)	1

■ In each of the last two weeks, Week 2 and 3, the ACC has had five different quarterbacks throw for 300 or more yards, the most of any conference.

#### ACC QBs With 300-Yard Passing Games in Week 2

Date	Quarterback (School)	Passing Yards
9/6/25	Steve Angeli (Syracuse)	417
9/6/25	Dylan Lonergan (Boston Collection	ge) 390
9/6/25	Aaron Philo (Georgia Tech)	373
9/6/25	Darian Mensah (Duke)	334
9/6/25	Eli Holstein (Pitt)	304

### ACC QBs With 300-Yard Passing Games in Week 3

Date	Quarterback (School)	Passing Yards
9/12/25	Steve Angeli (Syracuse)	382
9/13/25	Carson Beck (Miami)	340
9/13/25	Dylan Lonergan (Boston Colle	ege) 333
9/13/25	Darian Mensah (Duke)	313
9/13/25	Eli Holstein (Pitt)	303

- Miami's Carson Beck (transfer, 2025) is 3-0 with the Hurricanes and owns a career 27-3 (.900) record as a starting FBS QB the best among active players (min. 5 starts). (Stats Perform)
- Cal freshman Jaron-Keawe Sagapolutele has thrown for 780 yards through three games, the most of any freshman quarterback nationally.
- NC State's CJ Bailey is the first Wolfpack player since Philip Rivers (2002) with at least 5 passing TDs and 3 rushing TDs through the first three games of a season. (Stats Perform)
- Following his performance in Week 3 versus Clemson (Sept. 13), Georgia Tech's Haynes King has five career FBS games with 100+ passing and 100+ rushing yards tied for third-most among active players. (Stats Perform)
- Boston College's Dylan Lonergan joined UNC's Drake Maye (2022) as the only ACC QBs since 2000 with 8+ TD passes and zero INTs through their first two games of a season. (Stats Perform)
- Pitt's Eli Holstein became just the second FBS QB in the past 30 years (joining 2021 Heisman winner Bryce Young) with 3+ TD passes in each of his first six non-conference starts.(Stats Perform)
- SMU's Kevin Jennings threw two 75+ yard TD passes in Week 2 vs. Baylor, becoming only the eighth ACC QB since 2000 with multiple 75+ yard TDs in a game. (Stats Perform)
- Duke's Darian Mensah (389 yards, 3 TDs vs. Elon, Aug. 29) is one of only five ACC QBs since 2000 with 350+ yards and 3+ TDs in his debut, joining Cam Ward (Miami, 2024), Kyle McCord (Syracuse, 2024), Jameis Winston (FSU, 2013) and Philip Rivers (NC State, 2000). (Stats Perform)
- In Week 1, Georgia Tech's Haynes King (Week 1 at Colorado) became just the second FBS player since 2000 with 140+ passing, 140+ rushing and 3+ rushing TDs in a season opener, joining Jalen Hurts (Oklahoma, 2019). (Stats Perform)



#### CONFERENCE OF OBS PRESEASON LOVE

- The ACC had 13 quarterbacks named to the 2025 Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Watch List – no other conference had more.
- The ACC also had seven quarterbacks named to the 2025 Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award Watch List.
- Five ACC quarterbacks were ranked in ESPN's Top 15 QBs in College Football in 2025 – Cade Klubnik of Clemson, Carson Beck of Miami, Haynes King of Georgia Tech, Kevin Jennings of SMU and Darian Mensah of Duke.
- The ACC features nine of the top 30 quarterback transfers heading into the 2025 season and has seen a strong influx of talent at the position, including notable names like Carson Beck (Miami), Jaron-Keawe Sagapolutele (California), Darian Mensah (Duke), Miller Moss (Louisville), Steve Angeli and Rickie Collins (Syracuse), Dylan Lonergan (Boston College), Chandler Morris (Virginia), Gio Lopez (North Carolina), Devin Brown (California), Daniel Kaelin (Virginia), and Deshawn Purdie (Wake Forest).

#### **CONFERENCE OF OUARTERBACKS - NFL EDITION**

■ Former ACC QBs are well-represented among NFL rosters in 2025, as the league has 24 quarterbacks from an ACC school on 19 different teams. (as of Sept. 15)

Jacoby Brissett, Arizona Cardinals (NC State) Lamar Jackson, Baltimore Ravens (Louisville) Mitchell Trubisky, Buffalo Bills (North Carolina) Shane Buechele, Buffalo Bills (SMU)<sup>^</sup> Deshaun Watson, Cleveland Browns (Clemson) (PUP) Jared Goff, Detroit Lions (California) Davis Mills, Houston Texans (Stanford) Daniel Jones, Indianapolis Colts (Duke) Riley Leonard, Indianapolis Colts (Duke)\* Trevor Lawrence, Jacksonville Jaguars (Clemson) Kenny Pickett, Las Vegas Raiders (Pitt) Drake Maye, New England Patriots (North Carolina) Tyler Shough, New Orleans Saints (Louisville) Russell Wilson, New York Giants (NC State)\* Jameis Winston, New York Giants (Florida State) Tyrod Taylor, New York Jets (Virginia Tech) Sam Howell, Philadelphia Eagles (North Carolina) Kyle McCord, Philadelphia Eagles (Syracuse)<sup>^</sup> Tanner McKee, Philadelphia Eagles (Stanford) Aaron Rodgers, Pittsburgh Steelers (California) DJ Uiagalelei, Los Angeles Chargers (Florida State)^ Cam Ward, Tennessee Titans (Miami) Teddy Bridgewater, Tampa Bay Buccaneers (Louisville) Sam Hartman, Washington Commanders (Wake Forest)^\*

\*finished career in a school outside of the ACC ^ practice squad

#### ACC IS LOADED WITH PREEMINENT PLAYERS

■ Three of the NCAA's top four passing leaders play in the ACC.

# ACC QBs Among the NCAA Passing Leaders NCAA Quarterback (School) Passing Yards 1st Steve Angeli (Syracuse) 1.072 3rd Darian Mensah (Duke) 1.036 4th Dylan Lonergan (Boston College) 991

- Boston College wideout Lewis Bond leads the nation in receptions per game (9.7) and total catches (29).
- Fourteen ACC players have already rushed for 100+ yards in a game this season. Four have done it twice Hollywood Smothers (NC State), Micah Ford (Stanford), Isaac Brown (Louisville), and Haynes King (Georgia Tech).
- Through three weeks, 12 different ACC players have posted 100-yard receiving games, with Clemson's Bryant Wesco Jr. and SMU's Romello Brinson each accomplishing the feat twice.
- The nation's top two sack leaders hail from the ACC.

# ACC Players Among the NCAA Sack Leaders NCAA Player (School) Sacks Per Game 1st Clev Lubin (Louisville) 1.75 t-2nd Vincent Anthony Jr. (Duke) 1.67

■ Cal defensive back Hezekiah Masses leads the nation in passes defended (9) and passes defended per game (3.0), while also tying for the FBS lead with 3 interceptions.

#### ACC POWERHOUSE OFFENSES

■ Through Weeks 0–3, the ACC has six teams averaging 479.0 yards or more of total offense per game – the most among all conferences.

#### ACC Teams Averaging 479.0+ Yards of Total Offense

NCAA	Team	Total YPG
8th	Virginia	556.0
9th	Florida State	<u>555.5</u>
19th	Georgia Tech	500.3
22nd	Miami	486.0
22nd	Syracuse	486.0
26th	Duke	479.3

 This season, ACC teams have combined for 126 offensive plays that have gone for at least 30 yards, the most of any FBS conference.

#### ACC TEAMS AIRING IT OUT

- ACC teams are averaging 268.1 passing yards per game this season, the highest average of any FBS conference this season. The ACC led all FBS conferences in the category last season with 248.9 per game. (Stats Perform)
- ACC teams have combined to record 196 pass plays of 20 yards or more this season, the most of any conference.
- Through Weeks 0–3, the ACC features six teams that rank in the top 25 in the NCAA in passing offense this season, tied for the most among all conferences.

#### ACC Teams in the NCAA in Passing Offense

NCAA	leam	Passing YPG
1st	Boston College	393.7
3rd	Syracuse	379.0
10th	Duke	352.7
20th	Pitt	315.0
21st	Miami	306.7
25th	Virginia	289.3
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#### **ACC TEAMS CAN RUN IT TOO**

■ There have been 24 touchdown runs of at least 25 yards this season in the ACC, the most of any FBS conference in 2025. That is also the most such touchdown runs through Week 3 of a season by any FBS conference since 2000. (Stats Perform)

#### **ACC RACKING UP THE POINTS**

■ Through Weeks 0–3, seven ACC teams are averaging 39 points or more per game this season.

#### ACC Teams Averaging 39.0+ Points Per Game

NCAA	Team	PPG
t-3rd	Florida State	54.0
t-17th	Virginia	44.7
21st	Pitt	43.3
25th	Boston College	42.0
t-26th	Miami	40.3
33rd	Syracuse	39.7
t-34th	Louisville	39.5

■ Overall, ACC teams are averaging 33.5 points per game this season.

#### **LIGHTING UP THE SCOREBOARD**

- All 16 ACC teams in action in Week 1 scored doubledigit points in their season-opening contests, highlighted by three teams breaking the 50-point mark - Boston College (66 points), Pitt (61) and Louisville (51).
- Five ACC teams scored 45 points or more over Week 1, the second-most of any conference in the first week of play.

#### Teams That Scored 45 or More Points in Week 1

Date	Team	Points (Result)
8/30/25	Boston College	66 (W, 66-10)
8/30/25	Pitt	61 (W, 61-9)
8/30/25	Louisville	51 (W, 51-17)
8/30/25	Virginia	48 (W, 48-7)
8/28/25	Duke	45 (W, 45-17)

■ Five ACC teams also tallied 45 points or more over Week 2, tied for the second-most of any conference for the second week of play.

#### Teams That Scored 45 or More Points in Week 2

<u>Date</u>	Team	Points (Result)
9/6/25	Florida State	77 (W, 77-3)
9/6/25	Georgia Tech	59 (W, 59-12)
9/6/25	Miami	45 (W, 45-3)
9/6/25	Pitt	45 (W, 45-17)
9/6/25	SMU	45 (L, 45-58 2OT)

■ Florida State's 77–3 win over East Texas A&M (Sept. 6) marks the highest point total by any FBS team this season. It is also the most points scored by an ACC team since 2021, when Pitt defeated New Hampshire 77–7.





■ Four ACC teams registered 40 points or more over Week 3, marking three straight weeks in which four or more teams have scored 40 points or more in a contest.

#### Teams That Scored 40 or More Points in Week 3

Date	Team	Points (Result)
9/12/25	Syracuse	66 (W, 66-24)
9/13/25	Virginia	55 (W, 55-16)
9/13/25	Miami	49 (W, 49-12)
9/13/25	North Carolina	41 (W, 41-6)

#### ACC OWNED LABOR DAY ONCE AGAIN

- The ACC was the only league to compete across five days Thursday through Monday, August 28 through September 1 during Week 1 of the 2025 season.
- This marked the sixth time this has happened for the ACC in the regular season since 2017 (2017, 2018, 2021, 2022, 2023). No other FBS conference has done so even once over that same period. (Stats Perform)
- The ACC once again anchored Labor Day Weekend with the lone game on Labor Day as North Carolina played host to TCU in Bill Belichick's collegiate coaching debut.
- It marked the 16th consecutive Labor Day game for the ACC (excluding the 2020 COVID season), and the 19th time since the tradition began with Florida State versus Miami in 2005.

#### HISTORICAL WEEK 1 FOR THE ACC

■ The ACC capped off a strong start to the 2025 season, with two teams recording top-10 wins in their Week 1 season openers.

#### ACC Teams with Top-10 Win in Week 1 of 2025

Date	Matchup	Result
8/30/25	#8 Alabama at Florida State	FSU, 31-17
8/31/25	#6 Notre Dame at #10 Miami	UM. 27-24

- The ACC's two top-10 non-conference wins in Week 1 this season marked only the second time since 1980 that a single conference has achieved two such victories to start the season; the previous instance was when the SEC did so in 2018. (Stats Perform)
- The ACC's two top-10 non-conference wins in Week 1 this year marked only the 10th time since 1980 that a conference posted two top-10 non-conference victories in the same week, and the first time since the Sun Belt accomplished the feat in Week 2 of the 2022 season. (Stats Perform)

Conferences with Top-10 Non-Conference Wins Same Week			
Season (Week)	Conference	# Top-10 Wins	
2025 (1)	ACC	2	
2022 (2)	Sun Belt	2	
2018 (1)	SEC	2	
2005 (2)	Big 12	2	
2003 (4)	MAC	2	
2002 (3)	Big Ten	2	
2000 (3)	Pac-10 (Pac-12)	2	
1994 (6)	Big East	2	
1984 (2)	Big Ten	2	
1983 (2)	Big Ten	2	

■ Overall, the ACC went 12-4 in Week 1, including posting Power 4 non-conference wins over No. 8 Alabama (SEC), Colorado (Big 12), and No. 6 Notre Dame.

#### 2025 ACC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME SET FOR 8 P.M. ET

- The 2025 ACC Football Championship Game will kick off at 8 p.m. ET on Saturday, December 6, at Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte, North Carolina, on ABC. The league's football championship game will showcase the top two teams based on regular-season conference winning percentage.
- The 8 p.m. ET kickoff marks the 16th time in the last 17 years that the game will be held in primetime. Since its inception in 2005, a total of 14 different teams have competed in the championship game.
- Bank of America Stadium, home of the NFL's Carolina Panthers, has hosted 14 of the last 15 ACC Football Championship Games. The ACC, Carolina Panthers, and the Charlotte Sports Foundation have an agreement to keep the championship game in Charlotte through the 2030 season
- The winner of the conference championship game has advanced to the National Championship Game or competed in the College Football Playoff in nine of the last 12 seasons, including both of the two participating teams last year, with the ACC being one of only three multi-bid leagues in 2024.

#### RETURNING ALL-ACC PERFORMERS

■ Led by first-team selections, Antonio Williams (Clemson), Blake Miller (Clemson), Chandler Rivers (Duke), Keylan Rutledge (Georgia Tech), Kyle Louis (Pitt), Desmond Reid (Pitt) and Isaiah Nwokobia (SMU), the ACC returns 23 players who earned first-, second-, or third-team All-ACC honors last year in 2024.

(7 first-team; 7 second-team; 9 third-team selections)

#### INCOMING IMPACT PLAYERS FROM THE PORTAL

- ACC has 22 of the top 100 transfers in the 247Sports 2025 College Football Transfer Portal Top Prospects.
- Impact transfers ranked in the 247Sports Top 100 include: Duce Robinson, WR (Florida State); Will Heldt, DE (Clemson); Eric Rivers, WR (Georgia Tech); Ethan O'Connor, CB (Miami); CJ Daniels, WR (Miami); Charles Brantley, CB (Miami); Thaddeus Dixon, CB (North Carolina); Fa'alili Fa'amoe, OL (Wake Forest); Daniel King, OT (North Carolina); Khmori House, LB (North Carolina); Zechariah Poyser, S (Miami); Micah Pettus, OT (Florida State); and David Blay, DL (Miami).

#### **ACC X NFL**

- No conference blends college football and NFL experience quite like the ACC in 2025, with three former NFL head coaches now leading programs: Bill O'Brien (Boston College), Bill Belichick (North Carolina), and Frank Reich (Stanford), the most of any conference.
- Belichick (six Super Bowl wins) and Reich (one) are the only two college football head coaches who have also won a Super Bowl as either a head coach or coordinator in the NFL.
- Several ACC programs also feature General Managers with deep NFL ties, including Ron Rivera (Cal), John Garrett (Duke), Michael Lombardi (North Carolina) and Andrew Luck (Stanford), along with a growing number of former NFL stars contributing across coaching staffs and player development roles.

#### ACC ALUMNI ON AP ALL-TIME ALL-AMERICA TEAM

- Current Atlantic Coast Conference football members had 12 former Associated Press (AP) All-Americans named to the Associated Press (AP) All-Time All-America Team, as part of the news organization's celebration of the 100th anniversary of the storied honor for the top players in college football.
- The 12 honorees from current ACC schools include nine members of the National Football Foundation (NFF) College Football Hall of Fame, five recipients of ACC Football Legend honors, and two standouts named to the ACC 50th Anniversary Team in 2003.
- To be eligible for the AP All-Time All-America Team, a player had to have been named an AP First-Team All-American at least once during his college career. The selection process did not consider a player's professional career.

#### ACC Teams with Players Named to All-Time AP All-America Team

### First-Team Offense

WR - Larry Fitzgerald, Pitt (2003)

OT - Bill Fralic, Pitt (1982-83-84)

PK – Sebastian Janikowski, Florida State (1998-99)

#### First-Team Defense

DE - Hugh Green, Pitt (1978-79-80)

CB – Deion Sanders, Florida State (1987-88)

S - Ed Reed, Miami (2000-01)

#### Second-Team Offense

OT - Bryant McKinnie, Miami (2001)

RB – Tony Dorsett, Pitt (1976)

#### Second-Team Defense

DE – Bruce Smith, Virginia Tech (1984)

DT - Warren Sapp, Miami (1994)

LB - Lawrence Taylor, North Carolina (1980)

S - Bennie Blades, Miami (1986-87)

\*Maryland's Randy White (DE), an AP All-America First-Team selection in 1974, was named to the First-Team Defense. White was named an ACC Football Legend in 2006 and is a member of the ACC 50th Anniversary Team, as Maryland was part of the ACC from 1953 to 2014.

# ACC CONTINUES PARTNERSHIP WITH COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF FOUNDATION

- The ACC announced its plans to partner with the College Football Playoff Foundation (CFPF) again as part of this year's Extra Yard for Teachers Week (September 13-20). The initiatives include support for this year's Extra Yard for Teachers Week, Big Day for Teachers and the distribution of grant funds to support teachers in Charlotte.
- For the third straight year, the ACC will partner with a local Charlotte Mecklenburg School (CMS) to remodel a space that will directly benefit the school's students on a daily basis. In 2024, the conference worked with members of the Statesville Road Elementary administration, teachers and staff who were the recipients of a \$50,000 Extra Yard makeover. Additional details on this year's makeover will be announced in the future, as this will be the first year the conference will undertake two classroom makeovers.
- Since the inception of the ACC and CFP Foundation's partnership, over \$1.5 million has been given to support teachers in the ACC footprint.





#### ACC LEADS WAY ON 2025 AFCA GOOD WORKS TEAM

■ The ACC once again set the standard for excellence beyond the playing field, leading all conferences with three standout football student-athletes selected to the 2025 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team for the Football Bowl Subdivision.

#### 2025 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team (FBS) Name, Position, Class, School

Genesis Smith, DB, Jr., Arizona Red Murdock, LB, Gr., Buffalo Tanner Wall, NB/S, R-Sr., BYU

Adam Randall, RB, Gr., Clemson Chandler Rivers, CB, Sr., Duke Richie Leonard IV, OL, R-Sr., Florida State

Josh Kattus, TE, Sr., Kentucky Aamil Wagner, OL, R-Jr., Notre Dame Plae Wyatt, NB/S, R-Sr., Rice Michael Taaffe, DB, Sr., Texas Matt Hofer, OL, R-Fr., Toledo

■ The Allstate AFCA Good Works Team was established in 1992 by the College Football Association, recognizing the extra efforts made by college football players and student support staff off the field. AFCA became the governing body of the award in 1997 and continues to honor college football players who go the extra mile for those in need. Allstate worked to present the award starting with the 2008 season.

#### CLEMSON PICKED AS PRESEASON FAVORITE IN 2025 ACC FOOTBALL MEDIA POLL

- Defending ACC Champion Clemson has been selected as the preseason favorite to win the 2025 Atlantic Coast Conference football title, following a vote of more than 180 media members credentialed for the 2025 ACC Football Kickoff in Charlotte, North Carolina.
- The Tigers are coming off a strong 2024 campaign in which they posted a 10–4 overall record, went 7–1 in conference play, and captured the ACC Championship title. Clemson also made its seventh College Football Playoff appearance and finished the season ranked No. 11 in the final AFCA Coaches Poll and No. 14 in the AP Poll.
- In the media voting, Clemson was picked to repeat as ACC Champion on 167 ballots.
- Miami received seven first-place votes, followed by Florida State with four, while SMU and Georgia Tech each garnered two. Virginia Tech received one first-place vote.
- Clemson led all teams with 3,083 points, while Miami (2,679) and SMU (2,612) were second and third, respectively. Georgia Tech (2,397) was picked fourth, while Louisville (2,370) came in fifth.
- Duke (1,973) was picked to finish sixth in the preseason predictions, ahead of Florida State (1,920) in seventh, North Carolina (1,611) in eighth, Pitt (1,571) in ninth, NC State (1,505) in 10th, Virginia Tech (1,412) in 11th and Syracuse (1,381) in 12th.
- Rounding out the preseason poll were Boston College (953) in 13th, Virginia (871) in 14th, California (659) in 15th, Wake Forest (576) in 16th and Stanford (426) in 17th.

#### 2025 ACC Football Predicted Order of Finish

<u>Rank</u>	Team	<u>Points</u>
1.	Clemson (167)	3083
2.	Miami (7)	2679
3.	SMU (2)	2612
4.	Georgia Tech (2)	2397
5.	Louisville	2370
6.	Duke	1973
7.	Florida State (4)	1920
8.	North Carolina	1611
9.	Pitt	<u> 1571</u>
<u>10.</u>	NC State	150 <u>5</u>
<u>11.</u>	Virginia Tech (1)	1412
<u>12.</u>	Syracuse	1381
<u>13.</u>	Boston College	953
<u>14.</u>	Virginia	871
<u>15.</u>	California	659
<u>16.</u>	Wake Forest	<u>576</u>
<u>17.</u>	Stanford	426

First-place votes in parentheses 183 media voters

#### KLUBNIK NAMED PRESEASON PLAYER OF THE YEAR

- Clemson senior quarterback Cade Klubnik was voted the 2025 ACC Preseason Player of the Year, receiving 146 votes.
- Klubnik is coming off a breakout 2024 season, leading the Tigers to an ACC title and a College Football Playoff berth. He accounted for 43 total touchdowns, completing 308-of-486 passes for 3,639 yards and 36 touchdowns, while rushing for 463 yards and seven scores. He ranked in the top 20 nationally in five major categories, including third in both passing touchdowns (36) and total touchdowns (43). His 21 passing touchdowns of 20-plus yards were the most in the FBS.
- Georgia Tech's Haynes King (9), SMU's Kevin Jennings (5), Miami's Carson Beck (4) and Virginia Tech's Kyron Drones (4) also received votes, as did eight other players.

# 2025 ACC Preseason Player of the Year Rk. Name, Position, School

1. Cade Klubnik, QB, Clemson (146)

2. Haynes King, QB, Georgia Tech (9)

3. Kevin Jennings, QB, SMU (5)

T4. Carson Beck, QB, Miami (4)

T4. Kyron Drones, QB, Virginia Tech (4)

6. Isaac Brown, RB, Louisville (3)

T7. Quintayvious Hutchins, DE, Boston College (2)

T7. CJ Bailey, QB, NC State (2)

T7. Eli Holstein, QB, Pitt (2)

T7. Kyle Louis, LB, Pitt (2)

T7. Desmond Reid, RB, Pitt (2)

T12. Lewis Bond, WR, Boston College (1)

T12. Jamal Haynes, RB, Georgia Tech (1)

Votes in parentheses 183 media voters

#### CLEMSON LEADS ALL-ACC PRESEASON TEAM

- Powered by a conference-best 11 selections, preseason favorite Clemson headlines the 2025 All-ACC Preseason Football Team. A total of 10 ACC programs were represented on the 27-player squad, which was voted on by over 180 credentialed media members at the 2025 ACC Football Kickoff in Charlotte.
- Behind Clemson, Pitt had three players named to the preseason team, while Duke, Georgia Tech, Louisville, Miami and SMU each had two. Florida State, NC State and Syracuse each placed one.
- This year's preseason squad includes 16 returning All-ACC honorees from 2024, including 10 first-team selections, five second-team picks and one third-team honoree. Notably, it features both of last season's ACC Rookies of the Year: Louisville running back Isaac Brown (Offensive) and Clemson linebacker Sammy Brown (Defensive).

# 2025 All-ACC Preseason Football Team Offense

QB: Cade Klubnik, Clemson (148)

RB: Isaac Brown, Louisville (99)

RB: Jamal Haynes, Georgia Tech (85)

WR: Antonio Williams, Clemson (143)

WR: Bryant Wesco Jr., Clemson (66)

WR: Chris Bell, Louisville (51) TE: Justin Joly, NC State (92)

AP: Desmond Reid, Pitt (73)

OT: Francis Mauigoa, Miami (99)

OT: Blake Miller, Clemson (99)

OG: Keylan Rutledge, Georgia Tech (93)

OG: Walker Parks, Clemson (51)

C: Ryan Linthicum, Clemson (44)

#### Defense

DE: T.J. Parker, Clemson (152)

DE: Rueben Bain Jr., Miami (92)

DT: Peter Woods, Clemson (142)

DT: Darrell Jackson Jr., Florida State (56)

LB: Kyle Louis, Pitt (98)

LB: Wade Woodaz, Clemson (77)

LB: Sammy Brown, Clemson (76)

CB: Avieon Terrell, Clemson (129)

CB: Chandler Rivers, Duke (106)

S: Isaiah Nwokobia, SMU (86)

S: Terry Moore, Duke (81)

#### Specialists

PK: Collin Rogers, SMU (67)

P: Jack Stonehouse, Syracuse (70)

SP: Desmond Reid, Pitt (68)



ACC HEAD COACHING RECORDS						
Overall at an ACC Schoo		ol				
Head Coach, School	Year	Record	Pct.	Year	Record	Pct.
Bill O'Brien, Boston College	4th	23-17	.575	2nd	8-8	.500
Justin Wilcox, California	9th	45-50	.474	2nd	9-7	.563
Dabo Swinney, Clemson	18th	181-49	.787	18th	181-49	.787
Manny Diaz, Duke	5th	31-21	.596	5th	31-21	.596
Mike Norvell, Florida State	10th	73-42	.635	6th	35-27	.565
Brent Key, Georgia Tech	4th	21-16	.568	4th	21-16	.568
Jeff Brohm, Louisville	12th	87-52	.626	3rd	21-8	.724
Mario Cristobal, Miami	15th	87-76	.534	4th	25-16	.610
Bill Belichick, North Carolina	1st	2-1	.667	1st	2-1	.667
Dave Doeren, NC State	15th	113-69	.621	13th	90-65	.581
Pat Narduzzi, Pitt	11th	74-57	.565	11th	74-57	.565
Rhett Lashlee, SMU	4th	31-13	.705	2nd	13-4	.765
Frank Reich, Stanford	1st	1-2	.333	1st	1-2	.333
Fran Brown, Syracuse	2nd	12-4	.750	2nd	12-4	.750
Tony Elliott, Virginia	4th	13-24	.351	4th	13-24	.351
Brent Pry, Virginia Tech	4th	16-24	.400	4th	16-24	.400
Phillip Montgomery, Virginia Tech (Interim)	9th	43-53	.448	1st	0-0	.000
Jake Dickert, Wake Forest	5th	25-21	.543	1st	2-1	.667

#### GT'S KEY HAS THE KEY VERSUS RANKED ACC FOES

■ Since Brent Key's first game as Georgia Tech's head coach (October 1, 2022), the Yellow Jackets have beaten seven AP-ranked opponents as an unranked team, the most by any FBS team in that span.

#### FSU'S NORVELL EARNS WEEKLY HONORS IN WEEK 1

■ Following the Seminoles' 31–17 win over No. 8 Alabama (Aug. 30), Florida State head coach Mike Norvell was named both the Paul "Bear" Bryant Coach of the Week and the Dodd Trophy Coach of the Week for Week 1.

#### DABO REACHES ANOTHER ACC COACHING MILESTONE

■ In Clemson's season opener vs. No. 9 LSU (Aug. 30), head coach Dabo Swinney coached his 228th game, surpassing Bobby Bowden (227 at Florida State) for the most games coached by a head coach during ACC membership.

#### **Total Games Coached in the ACC**

Rank	Coach (School)	Games
1.	Dabo Swinney (Clemson)	230
2.	Bobby Bowden (Florida State)	227
3.	George Welsh (Virginia)	223
4.	Mack Brown (North Carolina)	194
5.	Bill Dooley (UNC & Wake Forest)	191
	Dave Doeren (NC State)	155

#### FIRST ACC WINS AS HEAD COACH

- Wake Forest's Jake Dickert earned his first win as an ACC head coach in his debut, a 10–9 victory over Kennesaw State on August 29.
- North Carolina's Bill Belichick earned his first collegiate victory as head coach on September 6 with a convincing 20–3 win at Charlotte, marking the former six-time Super Bowl champion's inaugural win in college football and in the ACC.
- Stanford's Frank Reich picked up his first collegiate win as a head coach in the Cardinal's 30-20 win over Boston College in the two teams' season opener on September 13.

#### MONTGOMERY NAMED INTERIM HC AT VIRGINIA TECH

- Philip Montgomery is now the Interim Head Coach for the Virginia Tech Football program, taking over after head coach Brent Pry was fired following a 0-3 start to the 2025 season on September 14. Montgomery, who was Virginia Tech's offensive coordinator, will lead the team for the remainder of the current season.
- Montgomery joined Virginia Tech after a stint as cooffensive coordinator with the Birmingham Stallions of the United Football League (UFL). He brings more than two decades of college coaching experience, including roles as a Power 5 offensive coordinator and head coach.
- From 2015–22, Montgomery was the head coach at Tulsa, compiling a 43-53 record over eight seasons. His second year proved to be his best, as the Golden Hurricane finished 10-3, while the pandemic-shortened 2020 campaign also saw Tulsa capture an American Athletic Conference title.

#### **COACHING RECORDS**

Rk. Name (Current School)  1. Brian Kelly (LSU)  2. K.C. Keeler (Temple)	Wins 295
2. K.C. Keeler (Temple)	290
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	273
Kirk Ferentz (Iowa)	218
4. Willie Fritz (Houston)	215
5. Chris Creighton (Eastern Michigan)	196
6. Rich Rodriguez (West Virginia)	192
7. Dabo Swinney (Clemson)	181
8. Mike Gundy (Oklahoma State)	170
Lance Leipold (Kansas)	170
Kyle Whittingham (Utah)	170
11. Bronco Mendenhall (Utah State)	142
12. Chuck Martin (Miami (OH))	139
13. Troy Calhoun (Air Force)	136
14. Curt Cignetti (Indiana)	133
15. Bret Bielema (Illinois)	128
James Franklin (Penn State)	128
17. Pete Lembo (Buffalo)	123
18. Bob Chesney (James Madison)	121
Chris Klieman (Kansas State)	121
20. Jamey Chadwell (Liberty)	119
Jeff Monken (Army)	119
22. Ken Niumatalolo (San Jose State)	116
Kalen DeBoer (Alabama)	116
24. Dave Doeren (NC State)	113
25. Lane Kiffin (Ole Miss)	108
Kirby Smart (Georgia)	108
35. Jeff Brohm (Louisville)	87
Mario Cristobal (Miamí)	87
41. Pat Narduzzi (Pitt)	74

#### **CAREER WINNING % - ACTIVE COACHES IN 2025**

Rk. Name (Current School)	Record	Pct.
Ryan Day (Ohio State)	73-10	.880
2. Jimmy Rogers (Washington Stat	e) 29-4	.879
<ol><li>Kalen DeBoer (Alabama)</li></ol>	116-17	.872
4. Dan Lanning (Oregon)	38-6	.864
<ol><li>Kirby Smart (Georgia)</li></ol>	108-19	.850
Matt Entz (Fresno State)	63-12	.840
<ol><li>Spencer Danielson (Boise State)</li></ol>	16-4	.800
8. Dabo Swinney (Clemson)	181-49	.787
9. Curt Cignetti (Indiana)	133-37	.782
10. Lincoln Riley (USC)	84-24	.778
11. Jon Sumrall (Tulane)	35-10	.778
12. Fran Brown (Syracuse)	12-4	.750
13. Josh Heupel (Tennessee)	67-24	.746
14. Chris Klieman (Kansas State)	121-44	.733
15. Marcus Freeman (Notre Dame)	33-12	.733
	95-107-2	.733
17. Willie Simmons (FIU)	68-25	.731
18. Lance Leipold (Kansas)	170-68	.714
19. K.C. Keeler (Temple) 27	73-113-1	.707
20. Rhett Lashlee (SMU)	31-13	.705
21. Bob Chesney (James Madison)	121-51	.703
22. Ryan Carty (Delaware)	28-12	.700
23. Matt Drinkall (Central Michigan)	43-19	.694
24. James Franklin (Penn State)	128-57	.692
25. Ryan Silverfield (Memphis)	45-21	.682
Mike Norvell (Florida State)	73-12	635

-	Mike Norvell (Florida State)	73-42	.635
-	Jeff Brohm (Louisville)	87-52	.626
-	Dave Doeren (NC State)	113-69	.621
-	Manny Diaz (Duke)	31-21	.596

<sup>^</sup> minimum one full season as a coach \*coaches active in 2025 season



#### NORTH CAROLINA, STANFORD & WAKE FOREST HIRE NEW HEAD COACHES

- After over two decades of dominance in the NFL, Bill Belichick was hired for his first-ever college head coaching job at North Carolina in December 2024. Widely considered one of the greatest coaches in football history, Belichick won six Super Bowls and 17 division titles over his time in the NFL, which also includes 333 career wins to make him the second-winningest head coach in NFL history, behind only Don Shula, who holds the all-time record with 347 total wins.
- Frank Reich was named Stanford's interim head football coach by Stanford Football General Manager Andrew Luck on March 31. The 36th head coach in program history, Reich is one of the sport's most well-respected offensive minds thanks to over 30 years in professional football, combining a 14-year playing career as an NFL guarterback with 18 seasons in various coaching roles. Reich was a member of six Super Bowl teams overall, four as a player with the Buffalo Bills (1991-94), and twice as a coach. Highly regarded in NFL circles with a knack for building lasting relationships, Reich's six-year head coaching tenure included five seasons with the Indianapolis Colts (2018-22) before his final stop at the helm of the Carolina Panthers (2023). Reich's NFL resume also includes four years as an offensive coordinator, including two seasons with the Philadelphia Eagles (2016-17), the second of which resulted in the franchise's first Super Bowl title in Super Bowl LII (2018).
- Jake Dickert was named the head coach at Wake Forest in December 2024, following the resignation of longtime head coach Dave Clawson. Dickert took over Washington State as interim head coach in 2021 and earned the permanent role, leading the Cougars for four years from 2021-24. In four seasons, Dickert compiled a 23-20 record (.534) and led the Cougars to three bowl games. The 2024 season proved to be his best work, going 8-4 in the regular season.

### **ACC NETWORK**



#### About ACC Network

Owned and operated by ESPN in partnership with the Atlantic Coast Conference, ACC Network (ACCN) and its digital platform ACCNX is a 24/7 national network dedicated to ACC sports that launched on August 22, 2019. ACCN televises more than 500 regular-season and tournament games from across the conference's 28 sponsored sports plus a complement of news and information shows and original

programming. Together, ACCN and its digital platform, ACCNX, combine to feature more than 1,500 ACC events each year. ESPN has been televising ACC content since 1979 and has exclusive rights to every conference-controlled game across all sports and championships. Carriage agreements are in place with the following video providers: Comcast, Cox, DIRECTV, DIRECTV STREAM, DISH Network, Frontier, fuboTV, Google Fiber, Hulu+ Live TV, Mediacom, Optimum, Sling TV, Spectrum TV, Suddenlink, Verizon Fios, YouTube TV, members of the NCTC, NRTC and Vivicast, among others. All ACCN games will also be available on the ESPN App to authenticated subscribers. Fans interested in learning more about ACCN can visit www.GetACCN.com.

# ACC & ESPN/ACCN INTRODUCE ENHANCED REPLAY TRANSPARENCY FOR 2025 FOOTBALL SEASON

- For the 2025 season, audiences watching ACC officiated matchups on Friday night on either ESPN/ ESPN2 or ACC Network and ACC Network's primetime Saturday games will hear the real-time discussions among the Referee, instant replay official in the stadium, and the ACC's Collaborative Instant Replay Official located in the ACC's Game Day Operations Center in Charlotte.
- While the ACC began sharing Game Day Operations Center video with ESPN in 2023, sharing audio of the replay discussions represents a significant next step in transparency. Last season, the ACC conducted a limited experiment, allowing ESPN officiating analyst Matt Austin to listen to replay conversations during a November 21 Thursday night game between NC State and Georgia Tech

### ACC Games with Enhanced Instant Replay Access for Weeks 1-4 \*

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# ACC Friday Games on ESPN with Enhanced Instant Replay Access for Weeks 4-14\*

Friday, 9/26	Florida State at Virginia (ESPN)
Friday, 10/17	Louisville at Miami (ESPN or ESPN2)
Friday, 10/17	North Carolina at California (ESPN)
Friday, 10/24	California at Virginia Tech (ESPN)
Friday, 10/31	North Carolina at Syracuse (ESPN)
Friday, 11/14	Clemson at Louisville (ESPN)
Friday, 11/2	Florida State at NC State (ESPN)
Friday, 11/28	Georgia at Georgia Tech (ABC)

### ACCN Primetime Games with Enhanced Instant Replay Access for Weeks 4-14 $^{\star}$

Will be determined on the 12/6 Day Selections Timeline throughout the season.

Date	Game (Network)
Saturday, 9/20	Stanford at Virginia (ACCN)
Saturday, 9/27	San José State at Stanford (ACCN)

<sup>^</sup> added for the ACC league opener



#### **ACC HUDDLE STOPS IN 2025**

■ New this season, the ACC Huddle will travel to the marquee ACC football game each weekend. The traveling studio show will air Saturdays from 10 a.m. – noon ET and will be open for public viewing at each campus stop. ACC Huddle previously traveled to the site of the ACC Network Primetime Football game.

#### ACC Huddle Stops this Season

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Week	Location
Week 1	Clemson, S.C. (LSU at Clemson)
Week 2	Durham, N.C. (Illinois at Duke)
Week 3	Atlanta, Ga. (Clemson at Georgia Tech)
Week 4	Coral Gables, Fla. (Florida at Miami)
Week 5	TBA
Week 6	TBA
Week 7	TBA
Week 8	TBA
Week 9	TBA
Week 10	TBA
Week 11	TBA
Week 12	TBA
Week 13	TBA
Week 14	TBA
Week 15	Charlotte, N.C. (ACC Football Championship



<sup>\*</sup>Subject to change

### ACC PRESEASON HONORS



#### PRESEASON HONORS & RECOGNITION

■ Below is a full list of ACC football players that received preseason All-America recognition.

#### 2025 Walter Camp Preseason All-<u>America</u>

#### First Team

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

OL - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

DL - Peter Woods, Clemson

LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt

KR - Keelan Marion, Miami

#### Second Team

TE - Justin Joly, NC State

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville

DL - T.J. Parker, Clemson

DB - Isaiah Nwokobia, SMU

### 2025 Associated Press (AP) Preseason

#### All-America

First-Team Offense

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

AP - Desmond Reid, Pitt

#### First-Team Defense

DT - Peter Woods, Clemson

LB - Kyle Louis. Pitt

#### Second-Team Offense

RB - Isaac Brown. Louisville

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

OT - Blake Miller, Clemson

OG - Keylan Rutledge, Georgia Tech

WR - Antonio Williams, Clemson

#### Second-Team Defense

DE - T.J. Parker, Clemson

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke

#### The Sporting News 2025 Preseason All-America

#### First-Team Offense

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

AP - Desmond Reid, Pitt

#### First-Team Defense

DL - Peter Woods, Clemson

DE - T.J. Parker, Clemson

LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt

#### **First-Team Specialists**

KR - Keelan Marion, Miami

#### Second-Team Offense

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

WR - Eric Rivers, Georgia Tech

WR - Antonio Williams, Clemson

#### Second-Team Defense

DL - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke

DB - Isaiah Nwokobia, SMU

#### 2025 Athlon Sports' Preseason All-America

#### First Team

AP - Desmond Reid, Pitt

OL - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

DL - T.J. Parker, Clemson

DL - Peter Woods, Clemson

LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt

KR - Keelan Marion, Miami

#### **Second Team**

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville

WR - Antonio Williams, Clemson

DL - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami

CB - Chandler Rivers. Duke

#### Third Team

WR - Bryant Wesco, Clemson

TE - Justin Joly, NC State

OL - Blake Miller, Clemson

CB - Avieon Terrell, Clemson

S - Isaiah Nwokobia, SMU

#### Fourth Team

OL - Brian Parker. Duke

LB - Wade Woodaz, Clemson

LB - Rasheem Biles, Pitt

S - Terry Moore, Duke

K - Collin Rogers, SMU

### CBS Sports 2025 Preseason College

#### Football All-America

#### First Team

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

DT – Peter Woods, Clemson

LB - Kyle Louis. Pitt

AP - Desmond Reid, Pitt

#### Second Team

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville

DF - T J Parker Clemson

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke

CB - Avieon Terrell, Clemson

RET - Keelan Marion, Miami

#### ESPN's 2025 Preseason All-America First Team

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

AP - Desmond Reid. Pitt

DT - Peter Woods, Clemson

DE - T.J. Parker, Clemson

LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt

#### Second Team

WR - Antonio Williams, Clemson

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

AP - Isaac Brown, Louisville

DT - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami CB - Avieon Terrell, Clemson

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke

#### Phil Steele's 2025 Preseason All-America

#### First Team

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

DE - T.J. Parker. Clemson

DT - Peter Woods, Clemson

LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt

KR - Keelan Marion, Miami

AP - Desmond Reid, Pitt

#### **Second Team**

RB - Desmond Reid, Pitt

WR - Eric Rivers, Georgia Tech

OG - Keylan Rutledge, Georgia Tech

OT - Blake Miller, Clemson

CB - Chandler Rivers. Duke

CB - Avieon Terrell, Clemson

AP - Isaac Brown, Louisville

#### Third Team

WR - Antonio Williams, Clemson

OT - Brian Parker, Duke

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

DE - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami

LB - Wade Woodaz, Clemson

LB - Cade Uluave. Cal

S - Terry Moore, Duke

#### Fourth Team

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville

TE - Justin Joly, NC State

OG - Anez Cooper, Miami

S - Isaiah Nwokobia, SMU AP - Demond Claborne, Wake Forest

### 2025 College Football News (CFN)

#### Preseason All-America

First Team

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

Edge/DE - T.J. Parker, Clemson

DT - Peter Woods, Clemson

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke KR/PR - Desmond Reid. Pitt

Second Team

LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt S - Nick Anderson, Wake Forest

**Honorable Mention** HC - Dabo Swinney, Clemson

QB - Carson Beck, Miami

OB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville WR - Chris Bell, Louisville

TE - Justin Joly, NC State

OT - Darrell Jackson, Florida State

OT - Blake Miller, Clemson

OG - Logan Parr. SMU

OG - Keylan Rutledge, Georgia Tech C - Pete Nygra, Louisville

C - Luke Petitbon, Florida State

DE - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami

CB - Thaddeus Dixon, North Carolina

CB - Avieon Terrell, Clemson S – Duce Chestnut, Syracuse S - Isaiah Nwokobia, SMU

PK - John Love, Virginia Tech

P - Kade Reynoldson, Duke P - Jack Stonehouse, Syracuse

S - Samuel Singleton Jr., Florida State

#### The Athletic 2025 Preseason All-America

#### First-Team Offense

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

#### First-Team Defense

DL - Peter Woods, Clemson

DE - T.J. Parker, Clemson

#### First-Team Specialists

AP - Desmond Reid, Pitt

### Second-Team Offense

RB - Isaac Brown. Louisville

WR - Antonio Williams, Clemson

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

OG - Keylan Rutledge, Georgia Tech

### Second-Team Defense

LB - Kyle Louis. Pitt

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke

### PFF's Preseason 2025 All-America

QB – Cade Klubnik, Clemson DL - Peter Woods. Clemson

LS - Bryce Robinson, Virginia KR - Keelan Marion, Miami

### Lindy's Sports 2025 Preseason All-

#### America First-Team Offense

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

First-Team Defense DE - T.J. Parker. Clemson

DT – Peter Woods, Clemson

### LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt

Second-Team Offense

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

OT - Blake Miller, Clemson PK - Collin Rogers, SMU

### Second-Team Defense

DE - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami CB - Avieon Terrell, Clemson



### ACC PRESEASON HONORS

#### PRESEASON WATCH LISTS

■ Below is a full list of ACC football players named to national preseason award watch lists for 2025.

#### Lott IMPACT Trophy

DT - Peter Woods, Clemson Edge - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami Edge - T. J. Parker, Clemson

LB - Kyle Louis. Pitt

CB - Chandler Rivers. Duke

#### Maxwell Award

DT - Peter Woods, Clemson

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

WR - Antonio Williams, Clemson

QB - Darian Mensah, Duke

QB – Tommy Castellanos, Florida State QB - Haynes King, Georgia Tech

RB - Jamal Havnes, Georgia Tech

QB - Miller Moss, Louisville

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville

QB – Carson Beck, Miami

QB - CJ Bailey, NC State

QB - Eli Holstein. Pitt

RB - Desmond Reid, Pitt

QB - Kevin Jennings, SMU

QB - Chandler Morris, Virginia

QB - Kyron Drones, Virginia Tech

RB - Terion Stewart, Virginia Tech

RB - Demond Claiborne, Wake Forest

#### **Patrick Mannelly Award**

LS - Ben Mann, Boston College

LS - Curtis Cooper, Duke

LS - Mason Arnold, Florida State

LS - Shai Kochav. Louisville

LS - Adam Booker, Miami

LS - Spencer Triplett, North Carolina

LS - Morgan Tribbett, SMU

LS - Bryce Robinson, Virginia

LS - Christian Epling, Virginia Tech

#### Bronko Nagurski Trophy

DE - T.J. Parker, Clemson

CB - Avieon Terrell, Clemson

DT - Parker Woods. Clemson

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke

DE - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami

LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt

S - Isaiah Nwokobia, SMU

#### **Outland Trophy**

OT – Blake Miller. Clemson

DT - Peter Woods, Clemson

OT - Brian Parker II, Duke

OG - Keylan Rutledge, Georgia Tech

OG - Anez Cooper, Miami

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

OT – PJ Williams, SMU

#### Paycom Jim Thorpe Award

CB - Avieon Terrell, Clemson

S - Terry Moore, Duke

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke

S - Isaiah Nwokobia, SMU

#### Jet Award

WR - Keelan Marion, Miami

WR - Chric Culliver, North Carolina

WR - Kenny Johnson, Pitt

#### Ray Guy Award

P – Jack Stonehouse, Syracuse

#### Lou Groza Award

PK - Nolan Hauser, Clemson

PK - Collin Rogers, SMU

PK – John Love, Virginia Tech

#### Paul Hornung Award

WR – Jacob De Jesus, California

WR - Antonio Williams, Clemson

RB - Peyton Jones, Duke

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville

WR - Keelon Marion, Miami

RB - Hollywood Smothers, NC State

WR - Kenny Johnson, Pitt

RB – Demond Claiborne, Wake Forest

#### **Wuerffel Trophy**

RB – Alex Broome, Boston College

TE - Jeffrey Johnson, California

RB – Adam Randall, Clemson

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke

OL - Richie Leonard IV, Florida State

QB - Haynes King, Georgia Tech

DL - Clev Lubin, Louisville

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami

DB - Will Hardy. North Carolina

DT - Brandon Cleveland, NC State

QB - Eli Holstein, Pitt

SMU - Alexander Kilgore, SMU

TE – Sam Roush, Stanford

LB - Derek McDonald, Syracuse

LB - Stevie Bracey, Virginia

S/NIC – Tyson Flowers, Virginia Tech

DB - Zamari Stevenson, Wake Forest

#### Walter Camp Award

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

DT - Peter Woods, Clemson

RB – Jamal Haynes, Georgia Tech

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville

QB - Carson Beck, Miami

LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt

RB - Demond Claiborne, Wake Forest

#### **Doak Walker Award**

RB – Alex Broome, Boston College

RB - Jordan McDonald, Boston College

RB - Jaquez Moore, Duke

RB - Gavin Sawchuk, Florida State

RB – Jamal Haynes, Georgia Tech

RB - Isaac Brown, Louisville

RB - Duke Watson, Louisville

RB - Davion Gause. North Carolina

RB - Hollywood Smothers, NC State

RB - Desmond Reid, Pitt RB - Derrick McFall, SMU

RB - Sedrick Irvin, Stanford

RB - Will Nixon. Syracuse

RB - Yasin Willis, Syracuse

RB - Xavier Brown, Virginia

RB - Terion Stewart, Virginia Tech RB - Demond Claiborne. Wake Forest

### **Biletnikoff Award**

WR - Bryant Wesco Jr., Clemson

WR - Antonio Williams, Clemson

WR - Eric Rivers, Georgia Tech

WR - Chris Bell, Louisville TE - Justin Joly, NC State

#### Davey O'Brien Award

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

QB - Darian Mensah, Duke QB - Haynes King, Georgia Tech

QB - Miller Moss. Louisville QB - Carson Beck, Miami

QB - Kevin Jennings, SMU QB - Chandler Morris, Virginia

#### John Mackey Award

TE – Jeremiah Franklin, Boston College

TE - Randy Pittman Jr., Florida State

TE - Landen Thomas, Florida State

TE – Elija Lofton, Miami

TE - Justin Joly, NC State

TE - Matthew Hibner, SMU

TE - RJ Maryland, SMU

TE - Sam Roush, Stanford

TE - Benji Gosnell, Virginia Tech

Rimington Trophy C - Rvan Linthicum. Clemson

C - Matt Craycraft, Duke C - Luke Petitbon, Florida State

C - Pete Nygra, Louisville

C - James Brockermeyer, Miami

C - Austin Blaske, North Carolina

C - Lyndon Cooper, Pitt

C - Addison Nichols, SMU

C - Brady Wilson, Virginia

**Butkus Award** 

LB - Sammy Brown, Clemson

LB - Wade Woodaz, Clemson

LB - Stanquan Clark, Louisville

LB - Wesley Bissainthe, Miami LB - Andrew Simpson, North Carolina

LB - Caleb Woodson, Virginia Tech

LB - Rasheem Biles, Pitt

LB - Kyle Louis. Pitt

Bednarik Award

LB - Cade Uluave, California

DE - T.J. Parker. Clemson CB - Avieon Terrell, Clemson

DT - Peter Woods, Clemson

S - Terry Moore, Duke

CB - Chandler Rivers, Duke DT - Darrell Jackson Jr., Florida State

LB - Kyle Efford, Georgia Tech

DE - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami CB – OJ Frederique Jr., Miami

LB - Sean Brown, NC State

LB - Caden Fordham, NC State

LB - Rasheem Biles, Pitt LB - Kyle Louis. Pitt S - Isaiah Nwokobia, SMU

Lombardi Award

LB - Sammy Brown, Clemson

OT - Blake Miller, Clemson

DE - T.J. Parker, Clemson DT - Peter Woods, Clemson

OT - Brian Parker II, Duke OG - Keylan Rutledge, Georgia Tech

DE - Rueben Bain Jr., Miami

OT - Francis Mauigoa, Miami LB - Kyle Louis, Pitt

Johnny Unitas Golden Arm 2025 Watch List

QB - Grayson James, Boston College

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson QB - Darian Mensah, Duke

QB - Tommy Castellanos, Florida State QB - Haynes King, Georgia Tech

QB - Miller Moss, Louisville QB - Carson Beck, Miami

QB - Eli Holstein, Pitt QB - Kevin Jennings, SMU QB - Steve Angeli, Syracuse

QB – Chandler Morris, Virginia QB - Kyron Drones, Virginia Tech QB - Robby Ashford, Wake Forest

### **Manning Award**

QB - Cade Klubnik, Clemson

QB – Haynes King, Georgia Tech QB – CJ Bailey, NC State

QB - Kevin Jennings, SMU

#### The Athletic's College Football Freaks

DT - Peter Woods (No. 5), Clemson

OT - Francis Mauigoa, (No.16), Miami

DL – Jordan van den Berg (No. 18), Georgia Tech

DL - Kemari Copeland (No. 23), Virginia Tech

DL - Francis Brewu (No. 24), Pitt

OL- Jacarrius Peak (No. 31), NC State

LB - Kam Robinson (No. 51), Virginia

LB - Kyle Louis (No. 65), Pitt

WR - Micahi Danzy (No. 68), Florida State

WR - Cameron Seldon (No. 70), Virginia Tech

LB - Sean Brown (No. 75), NC State

### 2025 College Football Comeback Player

of the Year Preseason Watch List

RB - Alex Broome, Boston College

LB – Bryce Steele, Boston College RB - Javlin Lucas, Florida State

WR - Caullin Lacy, Louisville

QB - Carson Beck, Miami

LB - Mohamed Toure, Miami

TE - RJ Maryland, SMU

S – Antonio Clary, Virginia

#### WR/KR - Tucker Holloway, Virginia Tech DL - Kemari Copeland, Virginia Tech

Jeffery Johnson - California

Chandler Rivers - Duke

Richie Leonard IV - Florida State

Clev Lubin - Louisville

Brandon Cleveland - NC State

Alexander Kilgore - SMU Sam Roush - Stanford

Derek McDonald – Syracuse Stevie Bracey – Virginia Tyson Flowers – Virginia Tech Zamari Stevenson – Wake Forest

**Dodd Trophy** 

Brent Key - Georgia Tech Dabo Swinney - Clemson

WR - Donavon Greene (No. 41), Virginia Tech

RB - Demond Claiborne (No. 63), Wake Forest

RB - Jayden "Duke" Scott (No. 66), NC State

LB - Nick Morris Jr. (No. 69), Duke

P - Daniel Sparks (No. 90), Virginia OL – Jude Bowry (No. 98), Boston College

QB - Max Johnson, North Carolina

LB - Caden Fordham, NC State

RB - Will Nixon, Syracuse

Allstate AFCA Good Works Team Alex Broome - Boston College

Adam Randall - Clemson

Haynes King – Georgia Tech

Francis Mauigoa - Miami Will Hardy - North Carolina

Eli Holstein – Pitt

### Fran Brown - Syracuse

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#### IMPORTANT DATES FOR COVERING ACC FOOTBALL

#### Saturday, August 23

• The 2025 football season kicks off in Week 0 beginning with Stanford at Hawai'i on CBS.

#### Tuesday, September 2

- The first ACC Player of the Week Awards will be announced. \* After week one, ACC Player of the Week honors will be announced on Tuesday at 2 p.m. ET due to a Labor Day game on Monday night.
- · Each week of the 2025 season, the ACC Player of the Week honors are announced on Monday at 2 p.m. ET.

#### Monday, November 3

• The ACC Football Championship Game credential application website opens.

#### Sunday, November 30

- The ACC Football Championship Game participating coaches teleconference - TBD
- · All-ACC Football Team voting ends at 5 p.m. ET
- The deadline for media credential applications to the 2025 ACC Football Championship Game is at 5 p.m. ET

#### Monday, December 1 - Thursday, December 4

· ACC awards will be announced during the week following the conclusion of the regular season.

The following awards will be announced.

- Jacobs Blocking Trophy
- Jim Tatum Award (Top Football Scholar-Athlete)
- Brian Piccolo Award, (Most Courageous Football Student-Athlete)
- All-ACC Football Teams
- ACC Offensive, Defensive and Overall Rookies of the Year
- ACC Offense, Defensive and Overall Players of the Year
- · ACC Coach of the Year

#### Friday, December 5

· ACC Football Championship Game Press Conference (participating coaches) - TBD

#### Saturday, December 6

 2025 ACC Football Championship Game Bank of America Stadium, Charlotte, N.C. - 8 p.m. ET (ABC)



#### COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

#### **OVERVIEW**

The College Football Playoff (CFP) is a postseason event to determine college football's national champion on the field, while emphasizing the significance of college football's unique regular season where every game counts.

#### RANKINGS

The selection committee ranks the schools based on the members' evaluation of their performance on the field, using conference championships won, strength of schedule, head-to-head results, and comparison of results against common opponents.

#### THE BRACKET

The format of the College Football Playoff is built on a 12-team bracket. The 12 participating schools are the five conference champions ranked highest by the CFP selection committee, plus the next seven highest-ranked teams. The four highest-ranked schools will be seeded 1-4 and will receive a first-round bye. The remaining teams, including the fifth conference champion, will be seeded 5-12 based on their final ranking.

#### TRADITION

The New Year's holiday period and bowl games belong to college football. This season following the CFP First Round games on campus, the four Playoff Quarterfinal games will be played in the Cotton Bowl Classic, Orange Bowl, Rose Bowl Game and Sugar Bowl. The following week, the Fiesta Bowl and Peach Bowl will host the Playoff Semifinals.

#### CHAMPIONSHIP MONDAY

The two teams that win the Playoff Semifinals compete for the College Football Playoff National Championship. The national championship game is in a different city each year, always on a Monday night.

#### **UNIVERSAL ACCESS**

Every Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) team has equal access to the College Football Playoff based on its performance during the regular season. No team automatically qualifies.

#### GOVERNANCE

University presidents and chancellors from all 10 FBS conferences and Notre Dame serve as the board of managers and govern the administrative operations, with commissioners and Notre Dame athletics director (the Management Committee) managing the event. A small staff in the CFP office in Irving, Texas, carries out the day-to-day responsibilities.

#### **SELECTION COMMITTEE**

A talented group of 13 high-integrity individuals with experience as coaches, student-athletes, college administrators and journalists, along with sitting athletics directors, comprise the selection committee. Members of the committee are Chris Ault, Troy Dannen, Mark Dantonio, Jeff Long, Ivan Maisel, Chris Massaro, Randall McDaniel, Mack Rhoades (chair), Mike Riley, David Sayler, Wesley Walls, Carla Williams and Hunter Yurachek.

#### **SELECTION COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES**

Rank the top 25 teams, assign the schools to the 12-team playoff bracket and assign the Playoff Quarterfinal and Playoff Semifinal bowl sites.







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# 2025 TEAM-BY-TEAM SCHEDULES

BOSTON COLLEGE (1-2, 0-1 ACC)		
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 30	Fordham	W, 66-10
Sept. 6	at Michigan State	L, 40-42 (2OT)
Sept. 13	at Stanford *	L, 20-30
Sept. 20	OPEN	
Sept. 27	California *	3:30 p.m. ET   ACCN
Oct. 4	at Pitt *	
Oct. 11	Clemson *	
Oct. 18	UConn	
Oct. 25	at Louisville *	
Nov. 1	Notre Dame	
Nov. 8	SMU *	
Nov. 15	Georgia Tech *	
Nov. 22	OPEN	
Nov. 29	at Syracuse *	

CALIFORNIA (3-0, 0-0 ACC)		
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 30	at Oregon State	W, 34-15
Sept. 6	Texas Southern	W, 35-3
Sept. 13	Minnesota	W, 27-14
Sept. 20	at San Diego State	10:30 p.m. ET   CBSSN
Sept. 27	at Boston College *	3:30 p.m. ET   ACCN
Oct. 4	Duke *	
Oct. 11	OPEN	
Oct. 17	North Carolina *	10:30 p.m. ET   ESPN
Oct. 24	at Virginia Tech *	7:30 p.m. ET   ESPN
Nov. 1	Virginia *	
Nov. 8	at Louisville *	
Nov. 15	OPEN	
Nov. 22	at Stanford *	
Nov. 29	SMU *	

CLEMSON (1-2, 0-1 ACC)		
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 30	#9 LSU	L, 10-17
Sept. 6	Troy	W, 27-16
Sept. 13	at Georgia Tech *	L, 21-24
Sept. 20	Syracuse *	Noon ET   ESPN
Sept. 27	OPEN	
Oct. 4	at North Carolina *	
Oct. 11	at Boston College *	
Oct. 18	SMU *	
Oct. 25	OPEN	
Nov. 1	Duke *	
Nov. 8	Florida State *	
Nov. 14	at Louisville *	7:30 p.m. ET   ESPN
Nov. 22	Furman	
Nov. 29	at South Carolina	Noon ET   ABC or ESPN

DUKE (1-2, 0-0 ACC)		
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 28	Elon	W, 45-17
Sept. 6	#11 Illinois	L, 19-45
Sept. 13	at Tulane	L, 27-34
Sept. 20	NC State *	4 p.m. ET   ESPN2
Sept. 27	at Syracuse *	Noon ET   ACCN
Oct. 4	at California *	
Oct. 11	OPEN	
Oct. 18	Georgia Tech *	
Oct. 25	OPEN	
Nov. 1	at Clemson *	
Nov. 8	at UConn	3:30 p.m. ET   CBSSN
Nov. 15	Virginia *	
Nov. 22	at North Carolina *	
Nov. 29	Wake Forest *	

	FLORIDA STATE (2-0,	, O-O ACC)
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 30	#8 Alabama	W, 31-17
Sept. 6	East Texas A&M	W, 77-3
Sept. 13	OPEN	
Sept. 20	Kent State	3:30 p.m. ET   ACCN
Sept. 26	at Virginia *	7 p.m. ET   ESPN
Oct. 4	Miami *	
Oct. 11	Pitt *	
Oct. 18	at Stanford *	10:30 p.m. ET   ESPN
Oct. 25	OPEN	
Nov. 1	Wake Forest *	
Nov. 8	at Clemson *	
Nov. 15	Virginia Tech *	
Nov. 21	at NC State *	8 p.m. ET   ESPN
Nov. 29	at Florida	

GEORGIA TECH (3-0, 1-0 ACC)		
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 29	at Colorado	W, 27-20
Sept. 6	Gardner-Webb	W, 59-12
Sept. 13	#12 Clemson *	W, 24-21
Sept. 20	Temple	4:30 p.m. ET   The CW
Sept. 27	at Wake Forest * N	loon ET   ESPN or ESPN2
Oct. 4	OPEN	
Oct. 11	Virginia Tech *	
Oct. 18	at Duke *	
Oct. 25	Syracuse *	
Nov. 1	at NC State *	
Nov. 8	OPEN	
Nov. 15	at Boston College 3	<b>k</b>
Nov. 22	Pitt *	
Nov. 28	Georgia	3:30 p.m. ET   ABC

LUUISVILLE (C-U, U-U AUU)		
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 30	Eastern Kentucky	w, 51-17
Sept. 5	James Madison	W, 28-14
Sept. 13	OPEN	
Sept. 20	<b>Bowling Green</b>	Noon ET   ACCN
Sept. 27	at Pitt * No	on ET   ESPN or ESPN2
Oct. 4	Virginia *	
Oct. 11	OPEN	
Oct. 17	at Miami * 7 p	.m. ET   ESPN or ESPN2
Oct. 25	Boston College *	
Nov. 1	at Virginia Tech *	
Nov. 8	California *	
Nov. 14	Clemson *	7:30 p.m. ET   ESPN
Nov. 22	at SMU *	
Nov. 29	Kentucky	

MIAMI (3-0, 0-0 ACC)		
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 31	#6 Notre Dame	W, 27-24
Sept. 6	Bethune-Cookman	W, 45-3
Sept. 13	#18 South Florida	W, 49-12
Sept. 20	Florida	7:30 p.m. ET   ABC
Sept. 27	OPEN	
Oct. 4	at Florida State *	
Oct. 11	OPEN	
Oct. 17	Louisville * 7 p.m.	ET   ESPN or ESPN2
Oct. 25	Stanford *	
Nov. 1	at SMU *	
Nov. 8	Syracuse *	
Nov. 15	NC State *	
Nov. 22	at Virginia Tech *	
Nov. 29	at Pitt *	

	NORTH CAROLINA (2-	1, 0-0 ACC)
Date	Opponent	
Sept. 1	TCU	L, 14-48
Sept. 6	at Charlotte	W, 20-3
Sept. 13	Richmond	W, 41-6
Sept. 20	at UCF	3:30 p.m. ET   FOX
Sept. 27	OPEN	
Oct. 4	Clemson *	
Oct. 11	OPEN	
Oct. 17	at California *	10:30 p.m. ET   ESPN
Oct. 25	Virginia *	
Oct. 31	at Syracuse *	7:30 p.m. ET   ESPN
Nov. 8	Stanford *	
Nov. 15	at Wake Forest *	
Nov. 22	Duke *	
Nov. 29	at NC State *	

NC STATE (3-0, 1-0 ACC)		
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 28	East Carolina	W, 24-17
Sept. 6	Virginia	W, 35-31
Sept. 11	at Wake Forest *	W, 34-24
Sept. 20	at Duke *	4 p.m. ET   ESPN2
Sept. 27	Virginia Tech *	7 p.m. ET   The CW
Oct. 4	Campbell	
Oct. 11	at Notre Dame	3:30 p.m. ET, Peacock
Oct. 18	OPEN	
Oct. 25	at Pitt *	
Nov. 1	Georgia Tech *	
Nov. 8	OPEN	
Nov. 15	at Miami *	
Nov. 21	Florida State *	8 p.m. ET   ESPN
Nov. 29	North Carolina *	•

PITT (2-1, 0-0 ACC)		
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 30	Duquesne	W, 61-9
Sept. 6	Central Michig	an W, 45-17
Sept. 13	at West Virginia	L, 24-31 (OT)
Sept. 20	OPEN	
Sept. 27	Louisville *	Noon ET   ESPN or ESPN2
Oct. 4	Boston College	*
Oct. 11	at Florida State	*
Oct. 18	at Syracuse *	
Oct. 25	NC State *	
Nov. 1	at Stanford *	
Nov. 8	OPEN	
Nov. 15	Notre Dame	
Nov. 22	at Georgia Tech	*
Nov. 29	Miami *	

	SMU (2-1, 0-0 ACC)	
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 30	East Texas A&M	W, 42-13
Sept. 6	Baylor	L, 45-48 (2OT)
Sept. 13	at Missouri State	W, 28-10
Sept. 20	at TCU	Noon ET   ESPN2
Sept. 27	OPEN	
Oct. 4	Syracuse *	
Oct. 11	Stanford *	
Oct. 18	at Clemson *	
Oct. 25	at Wake Forest *	
Nov. 1	Miami *	
Nov. 8	at Boston College *	
Nov. 15	OPEN	
Nov. 22	Louisville *	
Nov. 29	at California *	

\*denotes ACC game



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	STANFORD (1-2, 1	L-O ACC)
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 23	at Hawai'i	L, 20-23
Aug. 30	OPEN	
Sept. 6	at BYU	L, 3-27
Sept. 13	Boston College *	W, 30-20
Sept. 20	at Virginia *	7:30 p.m. ET   ACCN
Sept. 27	San José State	7:30 p.m. ET   ACCN
Oct. 4	OPEN	
Oct. 11	at SMU *	
Oct. 18	Florida State *	10:30 p.m. ET   ESPN
Oct. 25	at Miami *	
Nov. 1	Pitt *	
Nov. 8	at North Carolina *	
Nov. 15	OPEN	
Nov. 22	California *	
Nov. 29	Notre Dame	

SYRACUSE (2-1, 0-0 ACC)								
Date	Opponent							
Aflac Kickoff Game - Atlanta, Ga.								
Aug. 30	vs. #24 Tennessee	L, 26-45						
Sept. 6	UConn	W, 27-20 (OT)						
Sept. 12	Colgate	W, 66-24						
Sept. 20	at Clemson *	Noon ET   ESPN						
Sept. 27	Duke *	Noon ET   ACCN						
Oct. 4	at SMU *							
Oct. 11	OPEN							
Oct. 18	Pitt *							
Oct. 25	at Georgia Tech *							
Oct. 31	North Carolina *	7:30 p.m. ET   ESPN						
Nov. 8	at Miami *							
Nov. 15	OPEN							
Nov. 22	at Notre Dame	3:30 p.m. ET, NBC						
Nov. 29	Boston College *							

	VIRGINIA (2-1, 0-	O ACC)
Date	Opponent	
Aug. 30	Coastal Carolina	W, 48-7
Sept. 6	at NC State	L, 31-35
Sept. 13	William & Mary	W, 55-16
Sept. 20	Stanford *	7:30 p.m. ET   ACCN
Sept. 26	Florida State *	7 p.m. ET   ESPN
Oct. 4	at Louisville *	
Oct. 11	OPEN	
Oct. 18	Washington State	6:30 p.m. ET   CW
Oct. 25	at North Carolina *	
Nov. 1	at California *	
Nov. 8	Wake Forest *	
Nov. 15	at Duke *	
Nov. 22	OPEN	
Nov. 29	Virginia Tech *	



VIRGINIA TECH (0-3, 0-0 ACC)								
Opponent								
Game - Atlanta, Ga.								
vs. #13 South Carolina	L, 11-24							
Vanderbilt	L, 20-44							
Old Dominion	L, 26-45							
Wofford	Noon ET   ACCNX							
at NC State *	7 p.m. ET   The CW							
Wake Forest *								
at Georgia Tech *								
OPEN								
California *	7:30 p.m. ET   ESPN							
Louisville *								
OPEN								
at Florida State *								
Miami *								
at Virginia *								
	Opponent  Game - Atlanta, Ga. vs. #13 South Carolina Vanderbilt Old Dominion Wofford at NC State * Wake Forest * at Georgia Tech * OPEN California * Louisville * OPEN at Florida State * Miami *							

WAKE FOREST (2-1, 0-	·1 ACC)
Opponent	
Kennesaw State	W, 10-9
Western Carolina	W, 42-10
NC State *	L, 24-34
OPEN	
Georgia Tech * Noor	ET   ESPN or ESPN2
at Virginia Tech *	
at Oregon State	3:30 p.m. ET   CW
OPEN	
SMU *	
at Florida State *	
at Virginia *	
North Carolina *	
Delaware	
at Duke *	
	Opponent Kennesaw State Western Carolina NC State * OPEN Georgia Tech * Noor at Virginia Tech * at Oregon State OPEN SMU * at Florida State * at Virginia * North Carolina * Delaware

\* Denotes ACC game. # Games remain subject to change.



#### ACC TIEBREAKER POLICY

The Atlantic Coast Conference Football Champion will be decided by a game between the top two (2) post-season eligible teams. The two teams with the highest percentage of wins during all regular-season Conference competition shall play in the Championship Game. If three (3) or more such teams are tied with the highest percentage of wins or two (2) or more teams are tied with the second highest percentage of wins, the following tiebreaker procedure shall be administered to determine the representative(s) in the Championship Game. The team with the highest win percentage, either outright or after application of the tiebreaker, shall be declared the home team for the Championship Game.

#### Two-Team Tie

- a. Head-to-head competition between the two tied teams.
- b. Win-percentage against all common opponents.
- c. Win-percentage against common opponents based upon their order of finish (overall conference win-percentage, with ties broken) and proceeding through other common opponents based upon their order of finish.
- d. Combined win-percentage of conference opponents.
- e. The tied team with the higher ranking by the Team Rating Score metric provided by SportSource Analytics following the conclusion of regular-season games.
- f. The participant shall be chosen by a draw as administered by the Commissioner or Commissioner's designee.

#### Three (or More) Team Tie

The three (or more) team tiebreaker procedure will be used to either (a) identify one championship game participant, (b) identify both championship game participants, or (c) eliminate team(s) from the tie. If the administration of the three (or more) team tiebreaker results in the elimination of team(s) from the tie, teams remain tied, and both championship game participants have not been determined, the tiebreaker procedure will restart for remaining tied teams.

- a. Combined head-to-head win-percentage among the tied teams if all tied teams are common opponents.
- b. If all tied teams are not common opponents, the tied team that defeated each of the other tied teams.
- i. If all tied teams are not common opponents and no tied team defeated each of the other tied teams, but a tied team lost to each of the other tied teams, such team shall be eliminated and removed from the tie.
  - c. Win-percentage against all common opponents.
- d. Win-percentage against common opponents based upon their order of finish (overall conference win-percentage, with ties broken) and proceeding through other common opponents based upon their order of finish.
  - e. Combined win-percentage of conference opponents.
- f. The tied team with the highest ranking by the Team Rating Score metric provided by SportSource Analytics following the conclusion of regular season games.
- g. The participant shall be chosen by a draw as administered by the Commissioner or Commissioner's designee.

Conference games against otherwise post-season ineligible teams will always be counted in the league standings and in application of the tie-breaker procedure.



# 2025 COMPOSITE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



WEEK O	WEEK 4	WEEK 10
Saturday, Aug. 23	Saturday, Sept. 20	Friday, Oct. 31
Stanford 20 at Hawai'i 237:30 p.m. ET   CBS	Syracuse at Clemson *Noon ET   ESPN	North Carolina at Syracuse *7:30 p.m. ET   ESPN
	SMU at TCUNoon ET   ESPN2	
WEEK 1	Bowling Green at LouisvilleNoon ET   ACCN	Saturday, Nov. 1
Thursday, Aug. 28	Wofford at Virginia TechNoon ET   ACCNX	Virginia at California *
East Carolina 17 at NC State 24 7 p.m. ET   ACCN	North Carolina at UCF	Duke at Clemson *
Elon 17 at Duke 457:30 p.m. ET   ACCNX	Kent State at #7 Florida State	Wake Forest at Florida State *
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F:1 A 00	NC State at Duke *	Georgia Tech at NC State *
Friday, Aug. 29	Temple at #18 Georgia Tech4:30 p.m. ET   The CW	Louisville at Virginia Tech *
Kennesaw State 9 at Wake Forest 10 7 p.m. ET   ACCN	Florida at #4 Miami7:30 p.m. ET   ABC	Miami at SMU *
Georgia Tech 27 at Colorado 208 p.m. ET   ESPN	Stanford at Virginia *	Pitt at Stanford *
	California at San Diego State 10:30 p.m. ET   CBSSN	Notre Dame at Boston College
Saturday, Aug. 30	Open: Boston College, Pitt, Wake Forest	
Aflac Kickoff Game - Atlanta, Ga.	Sport. Booton Conogo, Fitt, Walter Groot	WEEK 11
Syracuse 26 vs. #24 Tennessee 45 Noon ET   ABC	WEEK 5	
		Saturday, Nov. 8
Duquesne 9 at Pitt 61Noon ET   ACCN	Friday, Sept. 26	SMU at Boston College *
Fordham 10 at Boston College 662 p.m. ET   ACCNX	Florida State at Virginia *7 p.m. ET   ESPN	California at Louisville *
Eastern Kentucky 17 at Louisville 51 3 p.m. ET   ACCN		Florida State at Clemson *
#8 Alabama 17 at Florida State 31 3:30 p.m. ET   ABC	Saturday, Sept. 27	Syracuse at Miami *
Coastal Carolina 7 at Virginia 48	Georgia Tech at Wake Forest * Noon ET   ESPN or ESPN2	Stanford at North Carolina *
#9 LSU 17 at #4 Clemson 10	Louisville at Pitt *	Wake Forest at Virginia *
	Dula at Commune *	Pulsa at HO area
East Texas A&M 13 at SMU 42 9 p.m. ET   ACCN	Duke at Syracuse *Noon ET   ACCN	Duke at UConn
California 34 at Oregon State 1510:30 p.m. ET   ESPN	California at Boston College * 3:30 p.m. ET   ACCN	Open: Georgia Tech, NC State, Pitt, Virginia Tech
	Virginia Tech at NC State * 7 p.m. ET   The CW	
Sunday, Aug. 31	San Jose State at Stanford7:30 p.m. ET   ACCN	WEEK 12
Aflac Kickoff Game - Atlanta, Ga.	Open: Clemson, Miami, North Carolina, SMU	Friday, Nov. 14
Virginia Tech 11 vs. #13 S. Carolina 243 p.m. ET   ESPN	Sperin elemeeti, iliami, rietar eareilia, elle	Clemson at Louisville *
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	Saturday, Oct. 4	Saturday, Nov. 15
Monday, Sept. 1	Boston College at Pitt *	Georgia Tech at Boston College *
TCU 14 at North Carolina 488 p.m. ET   ESPN	Duke at California *	Virginia at Duke *
Open: Stanford	Clemson at North Carolina *	Virginia Tech at Florida State *
,	Miami at Florida State *	NC State at Miami *
WEEK 2	Virginia at Louisville *	North Carolina at Wake Forest *
Friday, Sept. 5	Syracuse at SMU *	Notre Dame at Pitt
	Wake Forest at Virginia Tech *	
James Madison 14 at Louisville 287 p.m. ET   ESPN2		Open: California, SMU, Stanford, Syracuse
	Campbell at NC State	WEEK 40
Saturday, Sept. 6	Open: Georgia Tech, Stanford	WEEK 13
<u>Saturday, Sept. 6</u> #11 Illinois 45 at Duke 19Noon ET   ESPN		Friday, Nov. 21
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#11 Illinois 45 at Duke 19	Open: Georgia Tech, Stanford  WEEK 7  Saturday, Oct. 11  Clemson at Boston College *	Friday, Nov. 21 Florida State at NC State *8 p.m. ET   ESPN  Saturday, Nov. 22
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NC State at Pitt \* .....

Open: Clemson, Duke, Florida State

\* Denotes ACC game. # Games remain subject to change.





# **ACC BOWL PARTNERS**



Bowl Game	Date	Time (ET)	Network
LA Bowl Hosted by Gronk	Saturday, Dec. 13, 2025	9 p.m.	ESPN
Union Home Mortgage Gasparilla Bowl	Friday, Dec. 19, 2025	3:30 p.m.	ESPN
Go Bowling Military Bowl	Saturday, Dec. 27, 2025	11 a.m.	ESPN
Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl	Saturday, Dec. 27, 2025	Noon	ABC
Wasabi Fenway Bowl	Saturday, Dec. 27, 2025	2:15 p.m.	ESPN
Pop-Tarts Bowl	Saturday, Dec. 27, 2025	3:30 p.m.	ABC
TaxSlayer Gator Bowl	Saturday, Dec. 27, 2025	7:30 p.m.	ABC
JLab Birmingham Bowl	Monday, Dec. 29, 2025	2 p.m.	ESPN
Valero Alamo Bowl	Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2025	9 p.m.	ESPN
Tony the Tiger Sun Bowl	Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2025	2 p.m.	CBS
SRS Distribution Las Vegas Bowl	Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2025	3:30 p.m.	ESPN
Duke's Mayo Bowl	Friday, Jan. 2, 2026	8 p.m.	ESPN
DIRECTV Holiday Bowl	Friday, Jan. 2, 2026	8 p.m.	Fox

2024-25 College Football Playoff

Game - Location	Date	Time (ET)	Network
CFP First Round - Campus Site	Friday, Dec. 19, 2025	TBD	TBD
CFP First Round - Campus Site	Saturday, Dec. 20, 2025	TBD	TBD
CFP First Round - Campus Site	Saturday, Dec. 20, 2025	TBD	TBD
CFP First Round - Campus Site	Saturday, Dec. 20, 2025	TBD	TBD
CFP Quarterfinals - Goodyear Cotton Bowl	Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2025	7:30 p.m.	ESPN
CFP Quarterfinals - Capital One Orange Bowl	Thursday, Jan. 1, 2026	Noon	ESPN
CFP Quarterfinals - Rose Bowl Game Presented by Prudential	Thursday, Jan. 1, 2026	4 p.m.	ESPN
CFP Quarterfinals - Allstate Sugar Bowl	Thursday, Jan. 1, 2026	8 p.m.	ESPN
CFP Semifinals - Vrbo Fiesta Bowl	Thursday, Jan. 8, 2026	7:30 p.m.	ESPN
CFP Semifinals - Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl	Friday, Jan. 9, 2026	7:30 p.m.	ESPN
CFP National Championship Game - Hard Rock Stadium	Monday, Jan. 19, 2026	7:30 p.m.	ESPN

<sup>•</sup> The 12 playoff participants consist of the five highest-ranked conference champions, plus the next seven highest-ranked teams. The four highest-ranked conference champions will be seeded one through four and receive a first-round bye. The schools seeded five through eight will host those seeded nine through 12 in first-round games.



### THIS IS THE ACC



#### **NATIONAL SUCCESS**

#### **National Championships**

- The ACC won six NCAA National Championships in 2024-25 in ACC-sponsored sports. In addition, Stanford won the NCAA Women's Water Polo Championship.
  - · North Carolina won the 2024 NCAA Women's Soccer Championship.
  - Virginia won the 2024-25 NCAA Women's Swimming & Diving Championship.
  - Notre Dame won the 2025 NCAA Fencing Championship.
  - · Wake Forest won the 2025 NCAA Men's Tennis Championship.
  - · North Carolina won the 2025 NCAA Women's Lacrosse Championship.
  - · Stanford won the 2025 NCAA Women's Rowing Championship.
- The ACC has won a combined 29 NCAA titles over the last four academic years, the most by any conference in their respective league-sponsored sports.
  - · ACC has won six or more national titles in each of the last four years, marking the best run in ACC history.
  - In 2022-23, the ACC won the most NCAA championships of any conference with a league-record nine.
- Over the last four years, an ACC team has had to beat another ACC team in either the NCAA semifinals or championship game 17 times.
  - In 2024-25, the ACC had multiple teams in the final four of several NCAA Championships:
    - · Women's Soccer: 4 of the final 4 teams; both teams in the championship.
    - · Volleyball: 2 of the final 4 teams.
    - Women's Lacrosse: 2 of the final 4 teams.
    - Men's Golf: 2 of the final 4 teams.
    - · Women's Golf: 2 of the final 4 teams.
    - · Women's Swimming & Diving: Top 2 teams in the team standings.
- ACC student-athletes won 32 individual NCAA Titles in 2024-25.

#### **LEARFIELD Directors' Cup Standings**

- Six ACC schools were ranked among the top 25, including three in the top 10, in the final Division I LEARFIELD College Directors' Cup standings following the 2024-25 academic year. All 18 ACC programs finished in the top 75 of the final standings.
- This marks the 23rd consecutive year that four or more ACC schools placed among the top 30 in the final LEARFIELD Directors' Cup standings. North Carolina and Virginia have ranked among the top 30 nationally in each of the 31 years the Directors' Cup has been
- The ACC was one of only two conferences with every school among the final top 75 this year. This marks just the second time in the last decade in which every ACC team finished in the top 75 (2020-21 was the other occurrence).

#### ACC STUDENT-ATHLETE PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- The ACC conducted its fourth annual Health and Safety Summit in May 2025, this time in Charlotte, North Carolina, bringing together athletic trainers, team physicians, dietitians, mental health practitioners, sports performance coaches, and others within the ACC's health and sports performance community to collaborate and to share best practices.
- The ACC continued to provide leadership development programming to ACC coaches through the "Coaching the Whole Athlete Academy". The Coaching Academy is an eight-week virtual and immersive development program established by the league office that equips coaches with information, tools, and skills of a humanistic approach to better support the needs of the student-athlete.
- The ACC organized the second annual ACC Career Trek in Charlotte, North Carolina, in June 2025. The trek included 30 student-athletes across the league meeting with representatives and listening to panel discussions from five different categories including sports, real estate, finance/banking, consulting and government.

#### ACADEMIC SUCCESS

#### ACC Student-Athletes Excel Once Again in NCAA APR Report

- Atlantic Coast Conference teams continue to demonstrate strong academic performance, as reflected in the latest Academic Progress Rate (APR) data released by the NCAA in May.
- Overall, the ACC average APR is 991, seven points above the NCAA Division I national average. Every team among the ACC's 28 sponsored sports exceeded the NCAA's required APR of 930, while 114 ACC teams recorded a perfect score of 1000, including at least one team from each of the 18 member institutions. All ACC football, men's basketball, women's basketball and baseball programs exceeded the NCAA's required APR of 930.

#### ACC Makes Another Strong Showing in NCAA Graduation Success Rates

• The Atlantic Coast Conference's collective high level of academic success is again reflected by the NCAA Graduation Success Rate (GSR) report released in November 2024. The ACC's average graduation rate of 94 percent is four points higher than this year's national average of 90 percent.

#### ACC Again Leads the Way in U.S. News & World Report "Best Colleges" Rankings

- For the 18th consecutive year and now with 18 member institutions the Atlantic Coast Conference leads the way nationally among Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) conferences in the "Best Colleges" rankings released by U.S. News & World Report.
  - This year's 51.7 average rank of ACC schools is the best among all FBS conferences
  - Two ACC schools rank in the top 10 only one other school in an FBS conference is in the top 10.
  - Four ACC schools rank in the top 20 no other FBS conference has more than two.
  - · Six ACC schools are among the top 30 in this year's rankings, also the most among all FBS conferences.
  - The ACC has 14 member schools among the top 70 no other FBS conference has more





### THIS IS THE ACC

#### FOOTBALL SUCCESS

The ACC has solidified its reputation as a powerhouse in college football over the last decade, producing elite teams, top-tier coaching talent and Heisman-caliber athletes.

#### Elite Presence on the National Stage

• In eight of the past 12 seasons, the ACC has been represented in either the College Football Playoff or the BCS National Championship Game—an elite streak that began with Florida State's thrilling 34-31 win over Auburn in the final BCS title game in January 2014 (2013 season).

#### Four CFP Teams, One Conference

- The ACC is one of the few conferences to have sent four different programs to the College Football Playoff:
  - Clemson (2015-2020, 2024)
  - Florida State (2014)
  - Notre Dame (2020, as a full ACC member during the pandemic season)
  - SMU (2024)

#### **Playoff Success That Stands Out**

• With six all-time College Football Playoff victories, the ACC ranks third nationally behind only the SEC (18) and Big Ten (11).

#### **Unmatched Depth in Bowl Season**

• The 2024 season saw a league-record 13 ACC teams earn bowl eligibility, tying for the most among all Power 4 conferences. This marks the 24th consecutive year the ACC has secured six or more bowl bids, excluding the unique 2020 season. The league has sent 10 teams or more to the postseason in seven of the last 11 years, and since 2014, ranks second among all conferences with 105 total postseason appearances.

#### Top Coaching Talent Across the Board

- Seven active ACC head coaches currently rank among the top 60 in the FBS in career winning percentage (at least one full season of coaching):
  - Dabo Swinney (Clemson)
  - Fran Brown (Syracuse)
  - Rhett Lashlee (SMU)
  - Mike Norvell (Florida State)
  - Jeff Brohm (Louisville)
  - Dave Doeren (NC State)
  - Manny Diaz (Duke)

#### Heisman Pedigree

- Over the last 12 years, eight ACC players have finished in the top five of the Heisman Trophy voting a total of 10 times, including two winners:
  - Jameis Winston, Florida State 2013 winner
  - Lamar Jackson, Louisville 2016 winner, third in 2017
  - Deshaun Watson, Clemson 2nd in 2016, 3rd in 2015
  - Trevor Lawrence, Clemson 2nd in 2020
  - Kenny Pickett, Pitt 3rd in 2021
  - Andre Williams, Boston College 5th in 2013
  - Jordan Travis, Florida State 5th in 2023
  - Cameron Ward. Miami 4th in 2024

#### ACC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME SUCCESS

#### **Expanding the Field of Contenders**

- With SMU making its first appearance in 2024, 14 different programs have now competed in the ACC Football Championship Game since it began in 2005—highlighting the league's depth and competitive balance.
- Clemson leads all schools with 10 appearances, followed by Virginia Tech and Florida State, each with six.

#### **Champions Across the Conference**

- Since the inaugural title game in 2005, six different schools have claimed the ACC Championship:
  - Clemson: 9 titles (most in league history)
  - Florida State: 5 titles, including the 2023 crown
  - Virginia Tech: 3 titles
  - Georgia Tech, Wake Forest, and Pitt: 1 title each

#### A Proven Draw in Charlotte

• The ACC Championship Game has been a major event in Charlotte, selling out five times at Bank of America Stadium—in 2010, 2011, 2015, 2017, and 2020—demonstrating the passion of ACC fans and the game's regional appeal.

#### Charlotte: The Long-Term Home of ACC Championship Football

• In April 2018, the ACC and the Charlotte Sports Foundation solidified a 10-year partnership to keep the title game in Charlotte through 2030. The game will continue to be played annually at Bank of America Stadium on the first Saturday of December, maintaining one of college football's premier championship traditions.

#### ACC & THE NFL DRAFT

#### **Another Impressive Draft Class**

• The ACC saw 42 players selected in the 2025 NFL Draft, representing 15 different institutions across the conference. This ties the league's highest single-draft total since 2021 (not including Notre Dame's nine picks that year).

#### **Consistent Pipeline to the Pros**

• Since the 2000 NFL Draft, the ACC has produced 853 total draft picks, including 122 first-round selections—ranking third among all conferences in both categories.

#### Top-Three in Recent Draft Production

 Over the last 12 drafts (2013–2025), the ACC has had 469 players selected, the thirdmost of any conference during that span. Notably, the ACC has seen 40 or more players drafted in three of the last five years.

#### No. 1 Overall Picks: A Legacy of Excellence

- Current ACC programs have produced 17 No. 1 overall picks in the history of the NFL Draft. Most recently, Miami quarterback Cameron Ward was selected first overall by the Tennessee Titans in the 2025 NFL Draft. Several ACC schools have contributed multiple top picks over the years:
- Stanford: 4 (Bobby Garrett 1954, Jim Plunkett 1971, John Elway 1983, Andrew Luck 2012)
- Miami: 3 (Vinny Testaverde 1987, Russell Maryland 1991, Cameron Ward 2025)
   Cal: 2 (Steve Bartkowski 1975, Jared Goff 2016)
- Virginia Tech: 2 (Bruce Smith 1985, Michael Vick 2001)
- Clemson: 1 (Trevor Lawrence 2021)
- Florida State: 1 (Jameis Winston 2015)
  NC State: 1 (Mario Williams 2006)
- SMU: 1 (Kyle Rote 1951)
- Syracuse: 1 (Ernie Davis 1962)
- Virginia: 1 (Bill Dudley 1942)

Additionally, NC State's Roman Gabriel was selected No. 2 overall in the 1962 NFL Draft but was the No. 1 overall pick in the AFL Draft by the Oakland Raiders.



# 2025 ACC PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS



Quarterback	Offensive Line	Defensive Back
Sept. 2Haynes King (QB), Georgia Tech	Sept. 2Luke Petitbon (C), Florida State	Sept. 2Ahmaad Moses (S), SMI
Sept. 8 Dylan Lonergan (QB), Boston College	Sept. 8 Adrian Medley (RG), Florida State	Sept. 8 Omar Thornton (DB), Boston Colleg
Sept. 15Haynes King (QB), Georgia Tech	Sept. 15 Keylan Rutledge (RG), Georgia Tech	Sept. 15 Omar Daniels (DB), Georgia Tec
Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 22
Sept. 29	Sept. 29	Sept. 29
Oct. 6	Oct. 6	Oct. 6
Oct. 13	Oct. 13	Oct. 13
Oct. 20	Oct. 20	Oct. 20
Oct. 27	Oct. 27	Oct. 27
Nov. 3	Nov. 3	Nov. 3
Nov. 10	Nov. 10	Nov. 10
Nov. 17	Nov. 17	Nov. 17
Nov. 24	Nov. 24	Nov. 24
Dec. 1	Dec. 1	Dec. 1
Running Back	Defensive Line	Specialist
Sept. 2 Isaac Brown (RB), Louisville	Sept. 2Rueben Bain Jr. (DL), Miami	Sept. 2 Cam Ross (WR/RS), Virgini
Sept. 8Demond Claiborne (RB), Wake Forest	Sept. 8 Vincent Anthony Jr. (DE), Duke	Sept. 8 Cam Ross (WR/RS), Virgini
Sept. 15 Micah Ford (RB), Stanford	Sept. 15Isaiah Shirley (DT), NC State	Sept. 15Aidan Birr (PK), Georgia Tec
Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 22
Sept. 29	Sept. 29	Sept. 29
Oct. 6	Oct. 6	Oct. 6
Oct. 13	Oct. 13	Oct. 13
Oct. 20	Oct. 20	Oct. 20
Oct. 27	Oct. 27	Oct. 27
Nov. 3	Nov. 3	Nov. 3
Nov. 10	Nov. 10	Nov. 10
Nov. 17	Nov. 17	Nov. 17
Nov. 24	Nov. 24	Nov. 24
Dec. 1	Dec. 1	Dec. 1
Receiver Sept. 2 Cam Ross (WR), Virginia	Linebacker Sept. 2Kyle Louis (LB), Pitt	<b>Rookie</b> Sept. 2 Jared-Keawe Sagapolutele (QB), Californi
Sept. 8 Duce Robinson (WR), Florida State	Sept. 8	Sept. 8 Aaron Philo (QB), Georgia Tec
Sept. 15 Darrell Gill Jr. (WR), Syracuse	Sept. 15 Mikai Gbayor (LB), North Carolina	Sept. 15 Jared-Keawe Sagapolutele (QB), Californi
Sept. 22	Sept. 22	Sept. 22
Sept. 29	Sept. 29	Sept. 29
Oct. 6	Oct. 6	Oct. 6
Oct. 13	Oct. 13	Oct. 13
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### 2025 NATIONAL WEEKLY HONORS

National Player of the Week Awards

Associated Press Player of the Week

Bear Bryant Awards Coach of the Week September 2..... ......Mike Norvell, Florida State Bednarik Award Player of the Week (Defensive Player) Bronko Nagurski Trophy Player of the Week (Defensive Player) Burlsworth Trophy Player of the Week (Walk-On) Davey O'Brien Award National Quarterback of the Week Doak Walker Award Player of the Week (Running Back) **Dodd Trophy Coach of the Week** September 2......Mike Norvell, Florida State The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award National Player of the Week Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Player of the Week Lou Groza Award Stars of the Week (Placekickers) Manning Award Quarterback of the Week September 17 ...... Haynes King (QB), Georgia Tech Maxwell Award Player of the Week Outland Trophy Player of the Week (Interior Lineman) September 3 .....Luke Petitbon (C), Florida State Ray Guy Award (Punter) Panini Senior Bowl Player of the Week September 15......Haynes King (QB), Georgia Tech (Offensive) Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Week Walter Camp Award National Player of the Week Pop-Tarts Crazy Good Team of the Week September 3 ......Florida State Cheez-It Crunch Time Play of the Week 

#### Honororable Mention / Honor Rolls

A	ssociated Press Player of the Week (Honorable Mention)
September 2	
September 15.	
	Davey O'Brien "Great 8" Quarterbacks
September 2	
September 15	Haynes King, Georgia Tech
	Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award - Honorable Mention
	Bryant Wesco, Jr. (WR), Clemson
	Haynes King (QB), Georgia Tech
	John Mackey Award (Tight Ends) - Honorable Mention
September 16.	Sam Roush, Stanford
	Manning Award Stare of the Week (Quarterheek)
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•	Haynes King, Georgia Tech
	Steve Angeli, Syracuse
	Carson Beck. Miami
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	Paul Hornung Award Honor Roll (All-Purpose Player)
September 3	
September 9	Adam Randall (RB/RS), Clemson
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	Ray Guy Award - Ray's 8 (Punters)
•	Jack Stonehouse, Syracuse
September 15	Dylan Joyce, Miami



# ACC IN THE RANKINGS - TOP 25 POLLS



AP/COACHES/CFP																	
	ВС	CAL	CU	DU	FSU	GT	LOU	MIA	UNC	NCSU	PITT	SMU	STAN	SU	UVA	VT	WF
Preseason	-/-/-	-/-/-	4/6/-	RV/RV/-	RV/RV/-	RV/RV/-	RV/RV/-	10/10/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/-/-	16/16/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-
Sept. 2	-/-/-	-/-/-	8/8/-	RV/RV/-	14/19/-	RV/RV/-	RV/RV/-	5/7/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/-/-	17/16/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-
Sept. 7	-/-/-	-/-/-	12/11/-	-/-/-	10/12/-	RV/RV/-	RV/RV/-	5/6/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	RV/RV/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-
Sept. 14	-/-/-	-/RV/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-	7/9/-	18/19/-	RV/RV/-	4/6/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-
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Ohio State	3	1	1	1													
Penn State	2	2	2	2													
LSU	9	3	3	3													
Miami	10	5	5	4													
Georgia	5	4	6	5													
Oregon	7	6	4	6													
Florida State		14	10	7													
Texas	1	7	7	8													
Illinois	12	11	9	9													
Texas A&M	19	19	16	10													
Oklahoma	18	18	13	11													
Iowa State	22	16	14	12													
Ole Miss	21	20	17	13													
Alabama	8	21	19	14													
Tennessee	24	22	15	15													
Utah	-	25	20	16													
Texas Tech	23	24	21	17													
Georgia Tech		-	-	18													
Indiana	20	23	22	19													
Vanderbilt	-	-	-	20													
Michigan	14	15	23	21													
Auburn	-	-	24	22													
Missouri	-	-	25	23													
Notre Dame	6	9	8	24													
USC	-	-	-	25													
South Carolina	13	10	11	-													
Clemson	4	8	12	-													
South Florida	-	-	18	-													
Arizona State	11	12	-	-													
Florida	15	13	-	-													
SMU	16	17		-													_
Kansas State	17	-	-	-													
Boise State	25	-	-	-													
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### **ACC ASSOCIATED PRESS (AP) RANKING HISTORY**

	Consecutive		( )	
School	Polls	Top 10	No.1	Weeks Ranked
Boston College	-	34	1	145
California	-	92	4	200
Clemson	-	220	25	516
Duke	-	57	-	180
Florida State	3	387	72	587
Georgia Tech	1	146	-	308
Louisville	-	42	-	161
Miami	21	323	68	539
North Carolina	-	80	1	280
NC State	-	12	-	191
Pitt	-	125	21	319
SMU	-	75	2	196
Stanford	-	97	-	303
Syracuse	-	69	7	213
Virginia	-	21	3	174
Virginia Tech	-	95	-	311
Wake Forest	-	2	-	69

### ACC COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF (CFP) RANKING HISTORY

All-time CFP Rankings	Appearances	Highest Rank (Date)
Boston College	3	17 (Nov. 16, 2018)
California	-	-
Clemson	60	1, eight times (Dec. 3, 2017)
Duke	3	21 (Nov. 11, 2014)
Florida State	30	2, two times (Nov. 4, 2014)
Georgia Tech	6	11 (Dec. 2, 2014)
Louisville	20	5 (Nov. 15, 2016)
Miami	17	2 (Nov. 21, 2017)
North Carolina	19	10, two times (Dec. 6, 2015)
NC State	24	14 (Nov. 6, 2018)
Pitt	10	12 (Dec. 5, 2021)
SMU	9	8, (Dec. 3, 2024)
Stanford	15	6 (Dec. 6, 2015)
Syracuse	9	12 (Nov. 13, 2018)
Virginia	3	23 (Dec. 3, 2019)
Virginia Tech	10	13 (Oct. 31, 2017)
Wake Forest	8	9 (Nov. 2, 2021)





### **ACC GAME PREVIEWS**





Saturday, September 20 Syracuse (2-1, 0-0 ACC) at [RV] Clemson (1-2, 0-1 ACC) Noon ET; ESPN

Clemson leads series, 10-2-0 Last Meeting: Clemson, 31-14 (2023)

#### Notes

- Clemson holds a 10-2 all-time record against Syracuse, including six straight wins since 2018.
- The Tigers are 5-0 against the Orange in games played at Clemson.
- Syracuse (2-1) has won back-to-back games following a season-opening loss to then-No.
   24 Tennessee in the Aflac Kickoff Game in Atlanta.
- Orange QB Steve Angelo leads the nation with 1,072 passing yards (357.3 ypg).
- Syracuse WR Darrell Gill Jr. posted six catches for 152 yards and two touchdowns against Colgate.
- · Clemson looks to rebound after a Week 3 road loss at Georgia Tech.
- The Tigers' offensive line has allowed just 2.67 tackles for loss per game, ranking 2nd in the ACC and 5th nationally.
- Clemson special teams have excelled—opponents have zero yards on kickoff returns and are averaging -0.5 yards per punt return.
- Clemson WR Bryant Wesco Jr. has recorded back-to-back 100-yard receiving games, the first Tigers player to achieve 100 receiving yards in back-to-back games since 2020.





Saturday, September 20 [RV] SMU (2-1, 0-0 ACC) at [RV] TCU (2-0, 0-0 Big 12) Noon ET; ESPN2

TCU leads series, 53-43-7 Last Meeting: SMU, 66-42 (2024)

Head Coaches

SMU: Rhett Lashlee
(31-13 in 4th season at SMU; 31-13 in 4th season overall)

TCU: Sonny Dykes
(29-13 in 4th season at TCU; 100-76 in 16th season overall)

#### Notes:

- SMU and TCU will meet in the Battle for the Iron Skillet, a rivalry that has been played in all but seven years since 1915. The Mustangs won last year's meeting, 66-42.
- SMU is coming off a 28-10 road win at Missouri State, moving to 2-1 on the season.
- Running back TJ Harden has found the end zone five times in the Mustangs' last two games, scoring twice against Missouri State.
- SMU has won 10 consecutive regular-season road games, tied for the second-longest streak in school history (13, 1981-84).
- The Mustangs have recorded multiple takeaways in each of the three games this season and nine of the past 16 games.
- SMU QB Kevin Jennings (4,904) enters the TCU game needing just 88 yards to move into the top 10 of career passing yards at SMU. He's tied for ninth in program history with 35 passing touchdowns.
- TCU is 2-0 on the season and is aiming to go undefeated in non-conference play for the first time since 2022 and just the third time in the last 10 seasons (2017, 2022).
- TCU's offense ranks No. 14 nationally in scoring offense at 45.0 points per game.





Saturday, September 20 Bowling Green (2-1, 0-0 MAC)

at [RV] Louisville (2-0, 0-0 ACC) Noon ET; ACC Network

**First Meeting** 

#### Notes:

• Saturday marks the first-ever meeting between Louisville and Bowling Green.

- The Cardinals are coming off an open week after defeating James Madison on Sept. 5.
- Louisville is 14-3 against Group of Five opponents in the College Football Playoff era and has won six straight.
- Louisville RB Isaac Brown has seven career 100-yard rushing games, including 104 yards in the win over James Madison.
- Defensively, Louisville ranks eighth nationally and second in the ACC in fewest first downs allowed (29).
- The Cardinals also lead the ACC and rank seventh nationally in passing defense, allowing just 106.5 yards per game.
- Bowling Green enters 2-1 with home wins over Liberty and Lafayette (FCS).
- The Falcons went 7-6 last season with a 6-2 MAC record and appeared in the 68 Ventures Bowl, their third straight bowl game.
- BGSU LB Dorian Pringle is the only player in the nation with 25+ tackles, 6.0+ TFLs, and 1+ interceptions. He also ranks No. 4 in the country with 6.0 tackles for loss.



Saturday, September 20
Wofford (0-3, 0-0 SoCon)

at Virginia Tech (0-3, 0-0 ACC) Noon ET; ACCNX

Virginia Tech leads series, 1-0-0 Last Meeting: Virginia Tech, 27-7 (2022)

Wofford: Shawn Watson
(10-22 in 4th season at WOF; 21-44 in 7th season overall)
Virginia Tech: Phillip Montgomery (Interim)
(0-0 in 1st season as interim at VT; 43-53 in 9th season overall)

#### Notes:

- This will be Virginia Tech's first game under interim coach Philip Montgomery, who took over the reins on Sunday, September 14. Montgomery previously spent eight years as the head coach at Tulsa from 2015-22, going 43-53 overall.
- The Hokies are 0-3 to begin the season, including a pair of losses to SEC foes South Carolina and Vanderbilt.
- This is the Hokies' final non-conference game of the season before starting ACC play on September 27 at NC State.
- Caleb Woodson has been strong defensively for the Hokies, averaging 8.0 tackles per game, which ranks eighth in the ACC.
- The Terriers enter the Week 4 clash with a 0-3 record, falling by a combined six points.
- Wofford has dropped a pair of road contests to South Carolina State and Mercer by one point each.
- Wofford went 5-7 last season, including a win over a ranked FCS foe Richmond.



### **ACC GAME PREVIEWS**







Saturday, September 20 North Carolina (2-1, 0-0 ACC) at UCF (2-0, 0-0 Big 12) 3:30 p.m. ET; FOX

**First Meeting** 

<b>Head Coaches</b>	
North Carolina:	Bill Belichick
	(2-1 in 1st season at UNC; 2-1 in 1st collegiate season overall)
UCF:	Scott Frost
	(21-7 in 3rd season at UCF: 37-38 in 8th season overall)

- Saturday marks the first-ever meeting between North Carolina and UCF. The schools were originally scheduled for a home-and-home in 2018 and 2020, but both games were canceled due to Hurricane Florence and the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Tar Heels have not allowed a touchdown in back-to-back weeks for the first time since 2012.
- UNC LB Mikai Gbayor was named ACC Linebacker of the Week after recording six tackles, a strip sack, and a fumble recovery for a touchdown in the win over Richmond.
- UNC RB Demon June's 50-yard run vs. Richmond was the longest by a UNC freshman since Omarion Hampton's 58-yard rush against Georgia State (Sept. 10, 2022).
- June finished with 148 rushing yards, the most by a Tar Heel freshman RB since Michael Carter had 157 versus Virginia in 2017.
- UCF (2-0) enters off a bye week following wins over Jacksonville State and North Carolina A&T.
- The Knights are one of just three FBS teams (along with BYU and Texas Tech) that have not allowed a first-half point this season.





Saturday, September 20 Kent State (1-2, 0-1 MAC) at #7 Florida State (2-0, 0-0 ACC) 3:30 p.m. ET; ACC Network

**First Meeting** 

Head Coaches	
Kent State:	Mark Carney (Interim)
	(1-2 in 1st season at KENT; 1-2 in 1st season overall)
Florida State:	Mike Norvell
	(35-27 in 6th season at FSLI: 73-42 in 10th season overall)

#### Notes:

- · Florida State and Kent State will meet for the first time on Saturday.
- The Seminoles (3-0) are coming off an open date and moved up to No. 7 in the Week 4 AP Top 25. FSU is only the fourth preseason unranked team in the AP poll era to reach the top 10 by Week 4.
- FSU leads the ACC in scoring offense (54.0 ppg 3rd nationally), rushing offense (295.5 ypg – 6th), fewest penalties per game (3.50 – 8th) and scoring defense (10.0 ppg – 14th). The Seminoles are the only P4 team to lead their league in both scoring offense and scoring defense.
- Offensively, FSU is 5-for-5 on fourth-down conversions this season.
- In the Week 2 win over East Texas A&M, the Seminoles ran for 361 yards and passed for 368 yards, marking just the third time in program history they've had 350+ rushing and passing yards in the same game. The last FBS team to do so was Kent State in 2020.
- · Kent State is 1-2 under interim head coach Mark Carney.
- The Golden Flashes opened the season with a 21-17 win over Merrimack, snapping a 21-game losing streak dating back to Sept. 16, 2023.





Saturday, September 20

[RV] NC State (3-0, 1-0 ACC) at Duke (1-2, 0-0 ACC) 4 p.m. ET; ESPN2

Duke leads series, 43-37-5 Last meeting: Duke, 29-19 (2024)

**Head Coaches** 

(90-65 in 13th season at NCSU; 113-69 in 15th season overall) Duke: .......Manny Diaz (10-6 in 2nd season at DU; 31-21 in 5th season overall)

#### Notes:

- · Saturday marks the 86th all-time meeting between the in-state rivals. Duke leads the series, 43-37-5, and has won four of the last five matchups.
- The two programs are separated by just 22 miles between Carter-Finley Stadium and Wallace Wade Stadium.
- NC State is 3-0 to start the season, coming off a 34-24 ACC road win at Wake Forest.
- Wolfpack RB Hollywood Smothers leads the ACC in rushing yards (380) and rushing yards per game (126.7). He is the first NC State player with multiple 140+ yard rushing games in a season since Andre Brown in 2005.
- · Duke enters its Homecoming game on a two-game skid but has won five straight against instate opponents. The Blue Devils' last in-state loss came to North Carolina on Nov. 11, 2023.
- Duke has won three straight ACC openers, including victories over Virginia (2022), No. 9 Clemson (2023) and North Carolina (2024).
- The Blue Devil defense ranks ninth nationally in tackles for loss per game (9.0).
- Turnovers have hurt the Blue Devils this season, as they have turned the ball over seven times (5 fumbles; 2 INTs) and just forced one turnover (fumble) on defense.



Saturday, September 20

Temple (2-1, 0-0 American) at #18 Georgia Tech (3-0, 1-0 ACC) 4:30 p.m. ET; The CW

Temple leads series, 1-0-0 Last meeting: Temple, 24-2 (2019)

Temple: K.C. Keeler (2-1 in 1st season at Temple; 273-113-1 in 32nd season overall) Georgia Tech: Brent Key ......(21-16 in 3rd full season at GT; 21-16 in 3rd full season overall)

#### Notes:

- · Georgia Tech is 3-0 for the first time since 2016, but will be looking for its first win over Temple. The Owls won the lone previous meeting, 24-2, in 2019.
- · Georgia Tech has won seven straight games at Bobby Dodd Stadium, its longest home winning streak since winning eight in a row from 2016-17.
- The Yellow Jackets are coming off their first win over Clemson since 2014, snapping a nine-game skid to the Tigers.
- Since Brent Key's first game as head coach (Oct. 1, 2022), Georgia Tech has seven wins over AP-ranked opponents as an unranked team — the most in FBS during that span.
- GT QB Haynes King has five career games with 100+ yards both passing and rushing, tied for the third most among active FBS players.
- Temple is 2-1 under first-year head coach K.C. Keeler, who posted a 97-39 record over 11 years at Sam Houston State.
- The Owls dropped their first game of the season last week at No. 13 Oklahoma, 42-3.
- Temple's offense is 10-for-10 on red-zone opportunities (8 TDs, 2 FGs) and has yet to commit a turnover this season — one of just nine FBS teams without a giveaway.





### **ACC GAME PREVIEWS**





Saturday, September 20 Florida (1-2, 0-1 SEC) at #4 Miami (3-0, 0-0 ACC) 7:30 p.m. ET; ABC

Miami leads series, 30-27 Last Meeting: Miami, 41-17 (2024)

#### Head Coaches

Florida:	Billy Napier
	(20-21 in 4th season at UF; 60-33 in 8th season overall)
Miami:	Mario Cristobal
	(25-16 in 4th season at LIM: 87-76 in 15th season overall)

#### Notes

- Saturday's matchup between Miami and Florida will mark the 58th all-time meeting in the storied series, with the Hurricanes holding a narrow 30-27 advantage.
- Miami enters at 3-0 following a dominant 49-12 win over No. 18 South Florida.
- Quarterback Carson Beck, who is 2-0 in his career against the Gators, leads the nation in completion percentage (79.3%) and ranks 11th nationally in passing efficiency (185.7).
- Defensively, the Hurricanes stand 15th in the nation in rushing defense (75.0 ypg) and have yet to surrender a fourth-down conversion this season (0-for-3).
- Florida comes in at 1-2 on the year, looking to rebound from a two-game skid.
- The Gators haven't won in Miami since September 7, 1985, when they posted a 35-23 victory.
- Despite recent losses, Florida's defense has been stout—allowing just 87.0 rushing yards per game (23rd nationally) and holding opponents to 20 points or fewer in seven straight contests.
- The Gators face a daunting path ahead, with seven of their final nine games coming against AP Top-15 teams, including five in the top 10.





Saturday, September 20 Stanford (1-2, 1-0 ACC) at Virginia (2-1, 0-0 ACC) 7:30 p.m. ET; ACC Network

**First Meeting** 

<b>Head Coach</b>	es
Stanford:	Frank Reich
	(1-2 in 1st season at STAN; 1-2 in 1st collegiate season overall)
Virginia:	Tony Elliott
-	(13-24 in 4th season at LIVA: 13-24 in 4th season overall)

#### Notes:

- · Stanford and Virginia will meet for the first time on Saturday night in Charlottesville.
- The Cardinal are coming off a 30-20 home win over Boston College last weekend, giving interim head coach Frank Reich his first collegiate win.
- Stanford has started each of its two seasons in the ACC at 1-0 in league play.
- Cardinal running back Micah Ford rushed for a career-high 157 yards and a touchdown in the win over BC, his second 100-yard performance in three games this season.
- The Stanford defense is one of just 11 teams in all of FBS with two defensive touchdowns on the season, tied for first in the ACC with SMU.
- Virginia is coming off a 55-16 win at home over William & Mary in Week 3.
- The Cavaliers finished with a program-record 700 yards of total offense (379 rushing, 321 passing) in the victory over the Tribe.
- Virginia has recorded 868 passing and 800 net rushing yards this season. No other FBS team has reached each of those marks so far in 2025. (Stats Perform)
- Through the first three games, Virginia has yet to allow a sack this season. It marks the first time since 2011 that the Hoos have not allowed a sack in three consecutive games.





Saturday, September 20
California (3-0, 0-0 ACC)
at San Diego State (1-1, 0-0 MW)
10:30 p.m. ET; CBSSN

California leads series, 5-4-0 Last Meeting: California, 31-10 (2024)

(4-10 in 2nd season at SDSU; 28-41 in 7th season overall)

Head Coaches	
California:	Justin Wilcox
	(45-50 in 9th season at CAL; 45-50 in 9th season overall)
San Diego State:	Sean Lewis

#### Notes:

- California hits the road for its final non-conference game of the season, as the Golden Bears take on San Diego State on Saturday night.
- Cal leads the series with SDSU, 5-4, and has won three of the last four matchups, including a 31-10 win last year in Berkeley, California.
- Cal is off to a 3-0 start for the second straight season and has won its first three games or more to begin a season for the fifth time in nine seasons under head coach Justin Wilcox.
- The Golden Bears are a perfect 13-of-13 in the red zone this season, with 10 touchdowns and three made field goals.
- Cal's defense ranks 18th nationally in rushing defense (82.3 ypg allowed) and 19th in scoring defense (10.7 ppg allowed) thus far this season.
- San Diego State enters the game at 1-1 on the season and is coming off an open week.
- The Aztecs snapped a six-game losing streak with a 42-0 win over Stony Brook in the season opener in Week 1.
- San Diego State is 58-2 the last 60 times it has rushed for 200 yards. The Aztecs surpassed 200 yards in the opening win over Stony Brook.

