ACC FOOTBALL



2026 WEEKLY RELEASE | WEEK 12 * NOVEMBER 20-21

2026 STANDINGS

	ACC		OVERALL	
TEAM	W-L	PCT.	W-L	PCT.
Miami	7-0	1.000	9-1	.900
Wake Forest	6-1	.857	9-1	.900
Louisville	6-2	.750	7-3	.700
SMU	5-3	.625	7-3	.700
Duke	4-3	.571	7-3	.700
Clemson	4-3	.571	6-4	.600
Florida State	3-4	.429	5-5	.500
Pitt	3-4	.429	6-4	.600
Stanford	3-4	.429	5-5	.500
Virginia Tech	3-4	.429	6-4	.600
Virginia	3-4	.429	5-5	.500
Syracuse	3-5	.375	5-5	.500
North Carolina	2-4	.333	5-5	.500
Boston College	2-4	.333	4-6	.400
NC State	2-5	.286	4-6	.400
California	2-5	.286	3-7	.300
Georgia Tech	2-5	.286	3-7	.300

THIS WEEK * WEEK 12

FEATURED GAMES

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20
7:30 P.M. ET

CLEMSON
AT
DUKE

ESPN
ACC FOOTBALL FRIDAY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
NOON ET

#11 WAKE FOREST
AT
GEORGIA TECH

ESPN
ESPN NOON KICKOFF

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
7 P.M. ET

VIRGINIA TECH
AT
#7 MIAMI

ESPN
ACC ON ESPN

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
7:30 P.M. ET

PITT
AT
#23 LOUISVILLE

ESPN2
ACC ON ESPN2

2026 SCHEDULE * WEEK 12

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Clemson at Duke *	7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

#11 Wake Forest at Georgia Tech *	Noon ET (ESPN)
Syracuse at Boston College *	Noon ET (ACCN)
North Carolina at Virginia *	12:30 p.m. ET (The CW)
NC State at Florida State *	3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Virginia Tech at #7 Miami *	7 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Stanford at California *	7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Pitt at #23 Louisville *	7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
SMU at #6 Notre Dame *	7:30 p.m. ET (NBC)

** conference game*

2026 SCHEDULE * WEEK 13

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Florida at Florida State	3:30 p.m. ET (ABC)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Notre Dame at Syracuse	Noon ET (ABC)
Boston College at Miami *	Noon ET (ESPN)
NC State at North Carolina *	Noon ET (ACCN)
Louisville at Kentucky	Noon or 12:45 p.m. ET (TBA)
Duke at Wake Forest *	3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)
SMU at Stanford *	3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)
South Carolina at Clemson	3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)
Virginia at Virginia Tech *	3 p.m. ET (The CW)
Pitt at California *	7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Georgia Tech at Georgia	Six Day Hold

WEEK 12 QUICK HITS

THE RACE TO CHARLOTTE: UM CAN CLINCH IN WEEK 11

■ Miami can clinch a berth in the 2026 ACC Football Championship Game this weekend:

1. With a win; OR
2. A Louisville loss to Pitt.

■ Wake Forest can clinch a berth in the 2026 ACC Football Championship Game this weekend:

1. With a win and a Miami win; OR
2. With a win and a Louisville loss to Pitt.

2026 ACC FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

■ The 2026 ACC Football Championship Game will kick off on Saturday, December 5, at noon ET on ABC at Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte.

■ 2026 marks the 14th consecutive year and the 18th time overall that the championship game will air on ABC.

■ ACC championship games have been televised on either ABC or ESPN every year since their inaugural season in 2005.

■ The ACC's top two teams will be showcased in the only Power Four conference championship game at noon ET.

THE FINAL ACC FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

■ The 2026 ACC Football Championship Game, set for Saturday, December 5, at noon ET on ABC, will mark the final annual ACC Football Championship Game.

■ The game closes a championship-game tradition that began in 2005 and has crowned some of the sport's most memorable teams, players and programs over more than two decades.

■ Charlotte has been the event's longtime home, hosting 15 of the past 16 ACC Football Championship Games.

STATEMENT FROM ACC COMMISSIONER JIM PHILLIPS, PH.D., ON EXPANSION OF COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

■ "The expansion of the College Football Playoff to 24 teams is centered on access - creating more opportunities for student-athletes, programs and fan bases to compete for a national championship. Even with this expansion, the CFP will remain the most exclusive postseason format in major American sports. The format also reinforces the importance of the regular season, from compelling non-conference matchups to meaningful conference games that will determine qualification, seeding, byes and home-field opportunities."

COLLEGE GAMEDAY, ACC HUDDLE HEAD TO MIAMI FOR VIRGINIA TECH–MIAMI

■ ESPN's *College GameDay Built by The Home Depot* will originate from Miami on Saturday, November 21, as the Hurricanes host Virginia Tech in a primetime ACC matchup.

■ ACC Network's *ACC Huddle* will also be live from Miami, bringing both of ESPN's premier college football pregame shows to campus.

■ Virginia Tech at No. 7 Miami kicks off at 7 p.m. ET on ESPN and will also stream on Disney+.

■ Miami will make its 27th all-time College GameDay appearance and host the show for the 10th time.

■ It marks the fourth GameDay meeting between Miami and Virginia Tech, joining 1999, 2000 and 2005.

■ Miami hosts GameDay for the second straight season after the Hurricanes' 26-7 win over Florida on September 20, 2025.

■ Virginia Tech will make its 15th GameDay appearance and first since hosting the show in 2017.



FULL STANDINGS

STANDINGS	ACC W-L	ACC PCT.	OVERALL W-L	OVERALL PCT.	POINTS FOR	POINTS OPP	HOME	AWAY	NEUT	STREAK	VS. AP TOP 25	VS. USA TOP 25
Miami	7-0	1.000	9-1	.900	441	198	5-0	4-1	0-0	W1	0-1	0-1
Wake Forest	6-1	.857	9-1	.900	439	150	4-1	5-0	0-0	W7	2-1	2-1
Louisville	6-2	.750	7-3	.700	383	247	4-1	3-1	0-1	W5	1-1	1-1
SMU	5-3	.625	7-3	.700	340	255	6-1	1-2	0-0	L1	0-2	0-1
Duke	4-3	.571	7-3	.700	322	153	4-1	3-2	0-0	L1	0-1	0-1
Clemson	4-3	.571	6-4	.600	210	206	3-3	3-1	0-0	L1	0-2	0-2
Florida State	3-4	.429	5-5	.500	292	265	3-2	2-3	0-0	W2	0-3	0-3
Pitt	3-4	.429	6-4	.600	297	194	5-2	1-2	0-0	L1	0-1	0-1
Stanford	3-4	.429	5-5	.500	223	358	4-1	1-4	0-0	W1	0-2	0-2
Virginia Tech	3-4	.429	6-4	.600	330	255	3-2	3-2	0-0	L2	0-0	0-1
Virginia	3-4	.429	5-5	.500	269	215	5-1	0-3	0-1	W1	0-2	0-2
Syracuse	3-5	.375	5-5	.500	298	260	2-3	3-2	0-0	W1	1-0	1-0
North Carolina	2-4	.333	5-5	.500	258	221	1-4	3-1	1-0	L1	1-2	1-2
Boston College	2-4	.333	4-6	.400	204	284	3-2	1-4	0-0	L3	0-2	0-2
NC State	2-5	.286	4-6	.400	291	282	4-3	0-3	0-0	L2	0-0	0-0
California	2-5	.286	3-7	.300	204	320	2-3	1-4	0-0	L4	0-2	0-2
Georgia Tech	2-5	.286	3-7	.300	235	296	2-4	1-3	0-0	W1	0-1	1-1

ACC IN THE POLLS

2026 ASSOCIATED PRESS TOP 25 POLL

November 16, 2026

Rk.	Team	Points
1.	Georgia (58)	1734
2.	Utah (10)	1677
3.	Notre Dame (2)	1584
4.	UCLA	1552
5.	***Miami***	***1426***
6.	Indiana	1384
7.	Alabama	1297
8.	Texas	1290
9.	Tennessee	1179
10.	***Wake Forest***	***1134***
11.	Texas Tech	1081
12.	BYU	1038
13.	Iowa	861
14.	Oregon	820
15.	Boise State	767
16.	Ohio State	661
17.	Kentucky	599
18.	USC	546
19.	Arizona	404
20.	Houston	365
21.	***Louisville***	***357***
22.	Liberty	183
23.	Florida	173
24.	Memphis	138
25.	Ole Miss	103

(first-place votes in parentheses)

Others Receiving Votes:
Oklahoma 95, LSU 91, ***Duke 62***, UTSA 36, New Mexico 32, South Carolina 31, Louisiana Tech 14, North Dakota State 9, Wyoming 5, Air Force 5, Toledo 5, ***SMU 5,*** Auburn 4, Missouri 3

2026 US LBM COACHES POLL TOP 25

November 15, 2026

Rk.	Team	Points
1.	Georgia (58)	1802
2.	Utah (11)	1729
3.	Notre Dame (1)	1630
4.	UCLA	1594
5.	Indiana (3)	1540
6.	***Miami***	***1483***
7.	Alabama	1364
8.	Texas	1303
9.	Tennessee	1209
10.	***Wake Forest***	***1172***
11.	Texas Tech	1157
12.	BYU	1057
13.	Iowa	927
14.	Oregon	783
15.	Boise State	714
16.	Ole Miss	705
17.	Ohio State	644
18.	Kentucky	592
19.	USC	534
20.	Arizona	399
21.	Houston	312
22.	***Louisville***	***235***
23.	LSU	160
24.	***Duke***	***123***
25.	Florida	95

(first-place votes in parentheses)

Others Receiving Votes:
Liberty 87, Memphis 70, New Mexico 48, Missouri 47, ***SMU 39,*** UTSA 38, South Carolina 35, Northwestern 17, Air Force 14, Nebraska 12, Louisiana Tech 12, North Texas 11, Oklahoma 8, Illinois 8, Auburn 7, Oklahoma State 5, Toledo 2, ***Virginia 1,*** North Dakota State 1

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF RANKINGS

*Third Rankings * November 17, 2026*

Rk.	Team	Record
1.	Georgia	9-1
2.	Utah	10-0
3.	Alabama	8-2
4.	UCLA	10-0
5.	Texas	8-2
6.	Notre Dame	9-1
7.	***Miami***	***9-1***
8.	Indiana	9-1
9.	Tennessee	8-2
10.	BYU	8-2
11.	***Wake Forest***	***9-1***
12.	Texas Tech	9-1
13.	Oregon	7-3
14.	Ohio State	7-3
15.	Iowa	8-2
16.	Kentucky	7-3
17.	Boise State	9-1
18.	USC	7-3
19.	Arizona	7-3
20.	Houston	7-3
21.	South Carolina	6-4
22.	Oklahoma	6-4
23.	Louisville	7-3
24.	Florida	6-4
25.	Ole Miss	6-4



ACC NOTES

ACC IN THE AP TOP 25 POLL

■ The ACC placed three teams in this week's AP Top 25, including two in the top 10: No. 5 Miami and No. 10 Wake Forest.

■ Miami stayed put at No. 5, earning 1,426 points despite a home win over Duke last Saturday.

■ Wake Forest moved up one position to No. 10 with 1,134 points, giving the ACC multiple top-10 teams in the AP Poll.

■ Louisville surged into the rankings at No. 21 with 357 points, marking the ACC's third ranked team.

■ Five ACC teams appeared in the AP Poll, including No. 5 Miami, No. 10 Wake Forest and No. 21 Louisville, while Duke and SMU received votes

ACC TEAMS IN THE US LBM COACHES POLL

■ The ACC placed four teams in the USA Today Coaches Poll, including two in the top 10: No. 6 Miami and No. 10 Wake Forest.

■ Miami holds at No. 6 with 1,483 points, while Wake Forest climbed one spot to No. 10 with 1,172 points—giving the ACC multiple top-10 teams.

■ Louisville is No. 22 and Duke No. 24, giving the ACC four ranked teams in this week's poll.

■ Six ACC teams received consideration in the poll: Miami, Wake Forest, Louisville, Duke, SMU (39 votes) and Virginia (one vote).

ACC IN THE CFP RANKINGS

■ Three ACC teams are ranked in the third CFP Top 25 of 2026, led by No. 7 Miami, No. 11 Wake Forest and No. 23 Louisville.

■ Miami and Wake Forest give the ACC two of the nation's seven Power Four teams with one loss or fewer, joining Georgia, Utah, UCLA, Indiana and Texas Tech.

■ The ACC is one of just four conferences with multiple teams ranked in the top 11, as Miami and Wake Forest each remain firmly in the CFP picture at 9-1.

■ Miami holds at No. 7 after a win at home over Duke, while Wake Forest rises two places from No. 13 to No. 11 following its sixth straight victory.

■ Louisville enters the CFP Top 25 at No. 23 following a five-game winning streak. No. 23 Louisville is ranked for the first time since November 11, 2025 and marks its fifth consecutive season appearing in the CFP rankings.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF EXPANSION

■ Beginning with the 2027 postseason, the College Football Playoff will expand to 24 teams, creating additional access and opportunity for student-athletes, programs and fan bases to compete for a national championship.

■ The expanded field will include the ACC champion, champions from the Big Ten, Big 12 and SEC, the highest-ranked champion from the remaining FBS conferences and 19 at-large selections.

■ Despite doubling the current 12-team field, the CFP will remain one of the most exclusive postseason formats in major American sports, with every regular-season game carrying significance in determining qualification, seeding, byes and home-field opportunities.

■ The 24-team format will feature 23 games, including 16 on-campus contests, providing more programs and campuses the opportunity to host postseason football on the sport's biggest stage.

ACC TEAMS AMONG NATION'S TOP 50 IN ESPN FPI

■ The ACC has 10 teams ranked in the top 50 of ESPN's Football Power Index (FPI) rankings.

ACC Teams in the Top 50 of ESPN FPI

Rank	Team	FPI
3.	Miami	25.8
10.	Wake Forest	20.2
16.	Louisville	15.2
21.	Duke	13.4
36.	North Carolina	9.2
37.	SMU	8.6
40.	Florida State	7.9
44.	Pitt	7.2
47.	Clemson	4.7
49.	Virginia	4.2

ACC TEAMS IN ESPN'S STRENGTH OF RECORD TOP 50

■ The ACC has nine teams ranked in the top 50 of ESPN's Strength of Record, with two teams in the top 10 in Miami (No. 3) and Wake Forest (No. 9).

ACC Teams in the Top 50 of ESPN SOR

Team	SOR
Miami	#3
Wake Forest	#9
Louisville	#27
Duke	#34
SMU	#35
Stanford	#37
Clemson	#39
North Carolina	#42
Florida State	#49

TEAMS IN TOP 50 OF SSA SCHEDULE STRENGTH

■ The ACC has eight teams ranked in the top 50 of the Sports Source Analytics (SSA) Schedule Strength Rankings.

■ Nearly half of the ACC's 17 football members (8; 47.1%) are represented in the top 50 rankings.

ACC Teams in the Top 50 of SSA's Schedule Strength

Team	Ranking
North Carolina	17.0
Stanford	27.0
Miami	28.0
Florida State	29.0
Louisville	43.0
Clemson	45.0
Georgia Tech	46.0
California	49.0

STRONGEST NON-CONFERENCE SCHEDULE IN 2026

■ ACC teams are scheduled to play 25 non-conference games against Power Four + Notre Dame — most of any conference.

■ Includes nine games vs. SEC, five vs. B1G, five vs. Big 12 and six vs. Notre Dame.

■ Two-thirds of the ACC's non-conference games are against Power Four or bowl-eligible teams.

■ All 17 ACC teams will play at least 10 games vs. Power Four + Notre Dame.

■ Three of the five FBS teams playing 11 or more games vs. Power Four + Notre Dame are from the ACC.

■ 12 non-conference games against teams ranked in ESPN's 2026 Way-Too-Early Top 25.

■ 12 games against teams ranked in the final 2025 College Football Playoff rankings and AP Top 25.

■ 29 games against 23 teams that received a 2025 bowl invitation.

FBS TEAMS WITH DOUBLE-DIGIT POWER FOUR GAMES

■ A total of five FBS teams in all of college football are scheduled to play 11 or more games versus Power Four + Notre Dame in 2026, three of which are in the ACC.

FBS Teams with 11+ Games vs. Power Four + ND

Conf.	Team	# of Games
ACC	***Boston College***	***11***
ACC	***Georgia Tech***	***11***
ACC	***Louisville***	***11***
Big Ten	Purdue	11
Big 12	Colorado	11



ACC NOTES

■ A total of 59 Power Four teams this season are scheduled for 10 or more games versus fellow Power Four + Notre Dame, led by 17 ACC teams.

# of Teams by Conference w/ 10+ Games vs. P4 + ND

Conference	# of Teams
ACC	***17***
SEC	16
Big Ten	13
Big 12	12
Independent	1

ACC WITH THE STRONGEST NON-CONFERENCE SLATE

■ No Power Four conference has played more non-conference games against Power Four opponents and Notre Dame than the ACC, with 19 such contests already played through Week 11 of the season.

Non-Conference P4 + ND Games Through Week 11

Conference	# of Games
ACC	***19***
Big Ten	14
Big 12	13
SEC	12

■ Of the ACC's 19 P4 non-conference contests, 12 were played away from ACC home stadiums — nine true road games and three neutral-site contests.

NON-CONFERENCE POWER 4 WINS

■ ACC teams have posted six non-conference wins against Power Four opponents and Notre Dame through Week 11, tied for the second-most among all Power Four conferences this season.

Non-Con. Wins Over P4 + ND Games Through Week 11

Conference	Wins
SEC	10
ACC	***6***
Big 12	6
Big Ten	4

FOUR STRAIGHT VS. THE BIG TEN

■ The ACC has won four straight games against the Big Ten. That is tied for the conference's longest streak over the last 30 seasons (December 30, 2016 – September 9, 2017).

Four Straight Wins Over the Big Ten

Date	Matchup	Result
Sept. 11	Rutgers at Boston College	BC, 28-21
Sept. 12	Wake Forest at Purdue	WF, 38-36 (2OT)
Sept. 12	Duke at Illinois	DU, 31-27
Sept. 19	Virginia Tech at Maryland	VT, 35-26

■ The ACC is 4-1 against the Big Ten this season, including four consecutive victories. Three of the ACC's four wins have come on the road.

POWER 4 WINS LEADERS

■ Thirty-eight FBS teams have won four or more Power Four games thus far this season, eight of which hail from the ACC.

■ Wake Forest and Miami are two of just seven FBS teams with seven or more Power Four wins this season to date.

ACC Teams with 4+ P4 Wins Through Week 11

Team	P4 Wins
Miami	7
Wake Forest	7
Louisville	6
Duke	5
SMU	5
Clemson	4
Pitt	4
Virginia Tech	4

Teams by Conference w/ 4+ P4 Wins Through Week 11

Conference	# of Teams
SEC	12
Big Ten	9
ACC	***8***
Big 12	8
FBS Independent	1

MULTIPLE POWER 4 TRUE ROAD WINS

■ Wake Forest leads the nation with five Power 4 true road wins this season with victories at Purdue, Louisville, NC State, California and SMU.

■ With a win at Georgia Tech in Week 12, Wake Forest would become the first team in the CFP era (since 2014) to earn six true road wins against Power conference opponents in a single season. (*Stats Perform*)

■ The ACC is one of only two conferences with six teams among all FBS programs with three or more Power 4 true road wins thus far this season.

Teams w/ Multiple P4 True Road Wins Through Week 11

Team	Wins
Wake Forest	***5***
Miami	***4***
UCLA	4
Alabama	4
Utah	4
Louisville	***3***
Clemson	***3***
Duke	***3***
Virginia Tech	***3***
Florida	3
Georgia	3
Indiana	3
Iowa	3
Kentucky	3
Tennessee	3
Texas	3
Washington	3
Florida State	***2***
North Carolina	***2***
Syracuse	***2***
Auburn	2
Baylor	2
Illinois	2
Miss State	2
Missouri	2
Nebraska	2
Notre Dame	2
Ohio State	2
Oklahoma	2
Oklahoma State	2
Oregon	2
South Carolina	2
Texas Tech	2
USC	2

DEPTH OF THE ACC ON FULL DISPLAY IN 2026

■ The ACC has had multiple teams start 8-1 or better for the fifth straight season, the second-longest active streak in the FBS. It is the ACC's longest streak since a seven-season run between 2011 and 2017. (*Stats Perform*)

■ The ACC is one of three conferences with two teams at one loss or fewer:
- ACC: Miami (9-1), Wake Forest (9-1)
- Big Ten: UCLA (10-0), Indiana (9-1)
- Big 12: Utah (10-0), Texas Tech (9-1)

■ The ACC enters Week 12 with 13 of its 17 teams at .500 or better overall, with all eight of those programs with at least five wins.

■ The ACC leads all FBS conferences with 14 league games decided by three points or fewer this season. The ACC had 14 such games all of last season. (*Stats Perform*)

■ The ACC has had 27 conference games this season decided by one possession (eight or fewer points), the second-most among all FBS conferences. (*Stats Perform*)

■ The ACC and the Sun Belt are the only FBS conferences this season to have every team win multiple conference games. This is the first time the ACC has done that since 1999. (*Stats Perform*)

■ The ACC has combined for 35 road wins this season, the most in the FBS. The ACC has eight teams with at least three road teams, two more than any other FBS conference (Mountain West, SEC – each with six). (*Stats Perform*)

■ The ACC had four different conference games in Week 8 decided by four or fewer points. That is the conference's most in any single week over the past 45 seasons. (*Stats Perform*)



ACC NOTES

STRENGTH AND DEPTH OF ACC FOOTBALL

■ Over the last three seasons, the ACC has had 11 or more bowl-eligible teams — the longest streak of any conference.

■ Last year in 2025, the ACC had seven teams with nine or more wins on the season — the most in a single season in ACC history.

■ Nine ACC teams had eight or more wins in 2025 — tied for the most in FBS and the most in a single season in ACC history.

■ In 2024, four teams finished the season with 10 or more wins — the first time in ACC history.

ACC TEAMS WITH TOP-25 RESUMES

■ The ACC enters the week with a strong collection of teams that own top-25-worthy resumes. Quality wins, challenging schedules and standout production across offense, defense and special teams give multiple conference programs compelling cases for national consideration.

■ **#7 Miami (9-1, 7-0 ACC) —**

- At 9-1, Miami is one of just seven teams nationally with at least seven Power Four wins. The Hurricanes' seven P4 victories have come by an average margin of 18.8 points, while Miami is averaging 39.0 points per game against P4 opponents.
- Miami owns four Power Four road wins, tied for the second-most nationally, including a victory at No. 11 Wake Forest. The Hurricanes are the only team in the comparison group whose lone loss came on the road against a ranked opponent.
- Miami has outscored its opponents by 243 points and leads the nation in scoring offense, rushing defense, completion percentage and team passing efficiency.
- The Hurricanes are one of only two teams nationally ranked in the top 25 in both red-zone offense and red-zone defense.
- Miami ranks No. 1 nationally in SportSource Analytics Overall Strength of Record and Team Offensive Rating, No. 2 in ESPN Game Control, and No. 3 in ESPN Strength of Record and FPI.
- The Hurricanes' only loss was a one-score road defeat at then-No. 11 Notre Dame without Heisman Trophy candidate WR Malachi Toney.
- Miami strengthened its resume by playing a true road game against a top-12 CFP opponent late in the season (at then-No. 11 Notre Dame).

■ **#11 Wake Forest (9-1, 6-1 ACC) —**

- The 9-1 Demon Deacons are one of only seven teams nationally with at least seven Power Four wins and lead the FBS with five Power Four road victories, including wins at then-No. 16 Louisville and SMU.
- The Deacs delivered the Power Four's most dominant result of Week 11, a 49-7 win at SMU—the largest margin of victory by a P4 team during the week.
- Wake Forest is playing as dominantly as any team in the country. During its seven-game winning streak, Wake has averaged 49.0 points per game, won by an average of 39.7 points and outscored opponents 343-65.
- The defense has been especially suffocating late. Wake Forest has allowed just 21 second-half points over its last six games and has outscored its last four opponents 145-0 in the first half—the largest first-half scoring margin over a four-game span since Alabama in 2018.
- Wake is the first team since 2013 Alabama to score at least 20 points while allowing none in the first half of four consecutive games.
- Wake Forest is one of 11 power-conference teams in the CFP era to win six straight games by 24 or more points. Six of the previous 10 played for or won the national championship, while three others reached the College Football Playoff.
- Wake ranks No. 2 nationally in scoring offense and No. 11 in scoring defense, while ranking in the top 25 in both total offense and total defense. The Deacs are also one of only two teams nationally ranked in the top 25 in both red-zone offense and red-zone defense.
- Wake Forest is No. 5 in SportSource Analytics Strength of Record, No. 7 in Team Success and No. 7 in ESPN Game Control.
- Wake Forest will play 10 Power Four opponents during the regular season—more than USC, Arizona, Texas Tech, Houston and Indiana.

■ **#23 Louisville (7-3, 6-2 ACC) —**

- The Cardinals are one of only 13 teams nationally with at least six Power Four wins.
- Louisville owns a win over then-No. 16 SMU and has won five straight. The Cardinals are also one of just 14 teams nationally with at least three Power Four true road victories.
- Against Ole Miss, Louisville was the only one of Louisville, LSU and Missouri to score at least 25 points, outgain the Rebels on a per-play basis and keep the game within one score. The Cardinals totaled 469 yards and averaged 6.9 yards per play against the then-top 10 Rebels.
- Louisville leads the FBS in yards per play (7.45), ranks second nationally in big-play percentage and leads the country with 13 touchdowns of 50-plus yards.
- Louisville will play 11 Power Four opponents in the regular season—more than USC, Arizona, Texas Tech, Houston and Indiana.

■ **Duke (7-3, 4-3 ACC) —**

- Heisman candidate Nate Sheppard leads Duke's top-25 case, as the Blue Devil running back leads the nation in scoring, total points, total touchdowns and all-purpose yards.
- Duke is one of only 22 teams nationally with at least five Power Four wins and one of just 14 with at least three Power Four true road victories, highlighted by its 31-27 win at Illinois.
- Duke's 31 points, four touchdowns, yards-per-play output and red-zone scoring total at Illinois all surpassed UCLA's production in a 22-14 win and Oregon's production in its 21-10 loss to the Illini. Both UCLA and Oregon are ranked in the CFP Top 25.
- Duke has outscored opponents 322-153, a +16.9 average scoring margin that ranks 13th nationally. The Blue Devils rank in the top 25 nationally in scoring defense, rushing defense and total defense.
- Duke pairs its high-level defense with a Joe Moore Award semifinalist offensive line.
- Duke will play 10 Power Four opponents in the regular season—more than USC, Arizona, Texas Tech, Houston and Indiana.

■ **SMU (7-3, 5-3 ACC) —**

- SMU is one of 22 teams nationally with at least five Power Four wins.
- Two of SMU's three losses came against then-ranked Louisville and Wake Forest. The Mustangs close the regular season with road tests at top-10 Notre Dame and Stanford.
- SMU is one of only nine teams nationally to score at least 50 points three times this season.
- The Mustangs rank in the top 15 nationally in total offense, passing offense and yards per play—one of only seven teams to accomplish that.
- SMU ranks No. 2 nationally in completion percentage, No. 5 in passing efficiency and No. 8 in passing offense.
- Kevin Jennings powers the attack, as the elite QB ranks in the top 10 nationally in completion percentage, passing efficiency, passing touchdowns, passing yards, passing yards per game, total offense and yards per attempt.
- SMU will play 10 Power Four opponents during the regular season—more than USC, Arizona, Texas Tech, Houston and Indiana.

ACC: THE CONFERENCE OF QBS

■ ACC quarterbacks are delivering elite production across the board, leading the nation in 300-yard and 400-yard passing performances while filling the top of the national rankings in several offensive categories.

■ ACC players have combined for a 64.5 completion percentage this season, the highest in the FBS. That would also be the ACC's highest in any season over the past 30 years. (*Stats Perform*)

■ Miami's Darian Mensah is one of seven FBS players this century to throw at least 15 passing touchdowns and have zero interceptions through five games of a season, including Indiana's Josh Hoover in 2026. Each of the last four to do this was selected as a top-11 pick in the ensuing NFL Draft (2019 Justin Fields, 2019 Tua Tagovailoa, 2017 Baker Mayfield, 2014 Marcus Mariota; other QB was 2012 Geno Smith). (*Stats Perform*)



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■ Mensah is the only Division I or NFL player in the last 30 seasons to have at least 15 passing touchdowns and an 84.0 completion percentage through the first five team games of a season. (*Stats Perform*)

■ Mensah led the FBS with a 202.7 passer rating, the highest by an ACC player through his team's first eight games of a season this century (min. 150 pass attempts). The only other ACC player to finish at 200.0 or higher this century was Florida State's Jameis Winston in 2013 (201.1), when he won the Heisman Trophy. It is the highest by any FBS player since LSU's Jayden Daniels in 2023 (204.3), when he won the Heisman. (*Stats Perform*)

■ Darian Mensah has six games this season with at least three passing touchdowns and a 75.0 completion percentage while throwing zero interceptions (no other FBS player has more than three). That is tied for the most such games by any FBS player in a single campaign over the last 30 years, along with Fernando Mendoza in 2025. (*Stats Perform*)

■ SMU's Kevin Jennings and Miami's Darian Mensah are the only two FBS players this season with at least 2,900 passing yards and a 170.0 passer rating. (*Stats Perform*)

■ Wake Forest's Gio Lopez has 19 passing touchdowns, eight rushing touchdowns and only one interception this season. The only other FBS players in the last 30 seasons to reach those marks while throwing one or fewer picks through 10 team games of a season were Justin Fields (2019), Marcus Mariota (2013) and Bryce Petty (2013). (*Stats Perform*)

■ Louisville's Lincoln Kienholz has three games this season with at least 300 passing yards and multiple rushing scores. That is the most by any FBS player in 2026. (*Stats Perform*)

■ Miami's Darian Mensah ranks in the top 10 nationally in 11 statistical categories:

Rank	Statistical Category	Stat
1st	ESPN Total QBR	88.7
1st	Completion Percentage	76.3
1st	Passing Efficiency	186.8
2nd	Passing Touchdowns	29
3rd	Yards Per Pass Attempt	9.70
4th	Total Offense Per Game	322.0
5th	Completions Per Game	23.56
5th	Passing Yards	3,076
5th	Passing Yards Per Game	307.6
6th	Points Responsible For	186
7th	Points Responsible For Per Game	18.6

■ SMU quarterback Kevin Jennings ranks in the top 25 nationally in 12 statistical categories:

Rank	Statistical Category	Stat
3rd	Completion Percentage	72.6
5th	Passing Efficiency	173.8
5th	Passing Touchdowns	26
7th	Passing Yards	2,973
7th	Passing Yards Per Game	297.3
8th	Total Offense Per Game	310.0
8th	Yards Per Pass Attempt	9.35
9th	Completions Per Game	23.10
9th	Points Responsible For	170
13th	Points Responsible For Per Game	17.0
21st	ESPN Total QBR	76.2
23rd	Passing Yards Per Completion	12.87

■ Louisville quarterback Lincoln Kienholz ranks in the top 25 nationally in 11 categories:

Rank	Statistical Category	Stat
10th	Yards Per Pass Attempt	9.25
14th	Rushing Touchdowns	11
15th	Passing Efficiency	162.4
15th	Passing Yards Per Completion	13.43
18th	Total Offense Per Game	283.8
18th	Points Responsible For	158
18th	Completion Percentage	68.6
19th	Passing Yards	2,430
21st	Points Responsible For Per Game	15.8
23rd	Passing Yards Per Game	243.0
25th	Total Touchdowns	11

■ Wake Forest quarterback Gio Lopez ranks in the top 25 nationally in nine categories:

Rank	Statistical Category	Stat
5th	ESPN Total QBR	84.8
7th	Passing Efficiency	168.9
7th	Yards Per Pass Attempt	9.40
8th	Passing Yards Per Completion	14.23
9th	Points Responsible For Per Game	18.2
13th	Total Offense Per Game	303.1
13th	Points Responsible For	164
15th	Passing Yards Per Game	264.1
19th	Passing Touchdowns	19

■ Florida State quarterback Ashton Daniels ranks in the top 25 nationally in seven statistical categories:

Rank	Statistical Category	Stat
5th	Passing Yards Per Completion	14.61
9th	Rushing Touchdowns	13
12th	Points Responsible For	166
14th	Total Touchdowns	13
15th	Points Responsible For Per Game	16.6
16th	Yards Per Pass Attempt	8.75
22nd	ESPN Total QBR	75.7

■ Virginia Tech quarterback Ethan Grunkemeyer ranks in the top 25 nationally in seven different categories:

Rank	Statistical Category	Stat
8th	Completions Per Game	23.20
10th	Completion Percentage	69.5
12th	Passing Yards	2,701
12th	Passing Yards Per Game	270.1
15th	Points Responsible For	162
17th	Passing Touchdowns	20
18th	Points Responsible for Per Game	16.2

■ Other QBs Ranked in the Top 25 Nationally

Jaron-Keawe Sagapolutele - California

Rank	Statistical Category	Stat
16th	Completions Per Game	21.56

Alberto Mendoza - Georgia Tech

Rank	Statistical Category	Stat
20th	Completion Percentage	68.1

Davis Warren - Stanford

Rank	Statistical Category	Stat
21st	Passing Yards	2,406
24th	Completions Per Game	20.20
25th	Passing Yards Per Game	240.6

■ ACC quarterbacks have produced an FBS-leading 36 300-yard passing games, the most of any conference.

QBs by Conference with 300-Yard Passing Games

Conference	Total
ACC	***36***
Big 12	35
American	25
Big Ten	22
CUSA	19
Pac-12	19
SEC	17
Sun Belt	15
MAC	8
Mountain West	6

■ The ACC has recorded eight 400-yard passing performances—the most of any conference.

QBs by Conference with 400-Yard Passing Games

Conference	Total
ACC	***8***
American	3
Pac-12	3
Big 12	2
CUSA	2
Sun Belt	2
MAC	1

ACC QBs with 400-Yard Passing Games

Quarterback	Total
Mason Heintschel (Pitt)	2
Kevin Jennings (SMU)	2
Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	1
Darian Mensah (Miami)	1
Steele Pizzella (Wake Forest)	1
Jaron-Keawe Sagapolutele (Cal)	1



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■ Nine ACC quarterbacks rank among the top 50 in ESPN's Total QBR, tied for the second-most of any conference.

■ The ACC is the only conference with two players in the top five, as Miami's Darian Mensah leads the country at No. 1 with an 88.7 QBR mark and Wake Forest's Gio Lopez is fifth at 84.8.

ACC QBs in the Top 50 in ESPN Total QBR

Rank	Quarterback (School)	QBR
1.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	88.7
5.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	84.8
21.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	76.2
22.	Ashton Daniels (Florida State)	75.7
27.	Lincoln Kienholz (Louisville)	73.2
31.	Billy Edwards Jr. (North Carolina)	71.1
37.	CJ Bailey (NC State)	66.2
38.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	66.1
50.	Mason Heintschel (Pitt)	62.6

QBs by Conference in the Top 50 in ESPN Total QBR

Conference	Total
Big Ten	11
ACC	***9***
Big 12	9
SEC	9
Pac-12	5
American	4
CUSA	1
FBS Independent	1
Sun Belt	1

■ The ACC leads all conferences with six quarterbacks ranked among the nation's top 25 in passing yards per game.

■ The ACC has four of the top 15 nationally: Miami's Darian Mensah (5th), SMU's Kevin Jennings (7th), Virginia Tech's Ethan Grunkemeyer (12th) and Wake Forest's Gio Lopez (15th).

ACC QBs in the Top 25 in FBS in Passing YPG

Rank	Quarterback (School)	YPG
5.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	307.9
7.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	297.3
12.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	270.1
15.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	264.1
23.	Lincoln Kienholz (Louisville)	243.0
25.	Davis Warren (Stanford)	240.6

QBs by Conference in the Top 25 in FBS in Passing YPG

Conference	Total
ACC	***6***
Big 12	5
American	4
SEC	3
Big Ten	2
Pac-12	2
CUSA	1
MAC	1
Mountain West	1

■ Nine ACC quarterbacks rank in the top 35 nationally in passing yards this season, the most of any conference.

■ The ACC has five of the nation's Top 25: Miami's Darian Mensah, SMU's Kevin Jennings, Virginia Tech's Ethan Grunkemeyer, Louisville's Lincoln Kienholz and Stanford's Davis Warren.

ACC QBs in the Top 35 in FBS in Passing Yards

Rank	Quarterback (School)	Yards
5.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	3,076
7.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	2,973
12.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	2,701
19.	Lincoln Kienholz (Louisville)	2,430
21.	Davis Warren (Stanford)	2,406
26.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	2,377
30.	Ashton Daniels (Florida State)	2,309
32.	CJ Bailey (NC State)	2,289
35.	Billy Edwards Jr. (North Carolina)	2,247

QBs by Conference in the Top 35 in FBS in Passing Yards

Conference	Total
ACC	***9***
Big 12	5
SEC	4
Sun Belt	4
American	3
Big Ten	3
FBS Independent	2
Pac-12	2
CUSA	1
MAC	1
Mountain West	1

■ Five ACC quarterbacks rank in the top 20 nationally in yards per pass attempt this season, the most of any conference.

■ The ACC has four of the nation's Top 10: Miami's Darian Mensah, Wake Forest's Gio Lopez, SMU's Kevin Jennings and Louisville's Lincoln Kienholz.

ACC QBs in the Top 20 in FBS in Yards Per Pass Attempt

Rank	Quarterback (School)	AVG
3.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	9.70
7.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	9.40
8.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	9.35
10.	Lincoln Kienholz (Louisville)	9.20
18.	Ashton Daniels (Florida State)	8.75

QBs by Conference in Top 20 in FBS in Yards Per Pass Attempt

Conference	Total
ACC	***5***
Big 12	4
American	2
Big Ten	2
Pac-12	2
SEC	2
CUSA	1
FBS Independents	1
Sun Belt	1

■ Five ACC quarterbacks rank in the top 25 of completions per game this season, the most of any conference.

ACC QBs in the Top 25 in FBS in Comp. Per Game

Rank	Quarterback (School)	PG
T5.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	24.20
8.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	23.20
9.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	23.10
16.	Jaron-Keawe Sagapolutele (Cal)	21.56
24.	Davis Warren (Stanford)	20.20

QBs by Conference in the Top 25 in FBS in Comp. Per Game

Conference	Total
ACC	***5***
American	4
Big 12	4
Big Ten	3
SEC	3
Mountain West	2
CUSA	1
MAC	1
Pac-12	1
Sun Belt	1

■ Five ACC quarterbacks rank among the nation's top 25 in completion percentage on the season, the most of all conferences.

■ The ACC has two of the nation's top three most accurate passers: Miami's Darian Mensah (1st; 76.3%) and SMU's Kevin Jennings (3rd; 72.6%).

■ Mensah's 76.3 percent completion rate leads the nation, 3.3 percentage points ahead of the next quarterback.

ACC QBs in the Top 25 in FBS in Completion PCT.

Rank	Quarterback (School)	PCT
1.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	76.3
3.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	72.6
10.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	69.5
18.	Lincoln Kienholz (Louisville)	68.6
20.	Alberto Mendoza (Georgia Tech)	68.1

QBs by Conference in the Top 25 in FBS in Completion PCT.

Conference	Total
ACC	***5***
SEC	4
American	3
Big 12	3
CUSA	3
Pac-12	2
Sun Belt	2
Big Ten	1
FBS Independent	1
MAC	1



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■ Nine ACC quarterbacks rank among the nation's top 50 in passing efficiency, the most of any conference.

■ Miami's Darian Mensah leads the FBS with a 186.8 efficiency rating.

ACC QBs in the Top 50 in FBS in Passing Efficiency

Rank	Quarterback (School)	Effic.
1.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	186.8
5.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	173.8
7.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	168.9
15.	Lincoln Kienholz (Louisville)	162.4
27.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	154.2
34.	Billy Edwards Jr. (North Carolina)	147.8
40.	Beau Pribula (Virginia)	145.6
47.	Ashton Daniels (Florida State)	141.7
48.	CJ Bailey (NC State)	140.5

QBs by Conference in the Top 50 in FBS in Passing Eff.

Conference	Total
ACC	***9***
SEC	8
Big 12	7
Big Ten	7
American	4
Sun Belt	4
CUSA	3
MAC	3
Pac-12	3
FBS Independent	2

■ Seven ACC quarterbacks have thrown at least 15 touchdown passes, the second-most of any conference.

ACC QBs with 15 or More Passing Touchdowns

Rank	Quarterback (School)	TDs
T2.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	29
5.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	26
T17.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	20
T19.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	19
T28.	Billy Edwards Jr. (North Carolina)	18
T45.	Lincoln Kienholz (Louisville)	15
T45.	Beau Pribula (Virginia)	15

QBs by Conference with 15 or More TD Passes

Conference	Total
SEC	10
ACC	***7***
Big Ten	7
Big 12	6
American	4
Pac-12	4
Sun Belt	4
CUSA	3
FBS Independent	2
MAC	1
Mountain West	1

■ Six ACC quarterbacks rank among the nation's top 30 in total offense per game, the second-most of any conference.

■ The ACC has three of the nation's top 15 in total offense per game — Miami's Darian Mensah, SMU's Kevin Jennings and Wake Forest's Gio Lopez.

ACC QBs in the Top 30 in FBS in Total Offense

Rank	Quarterback (School)	YPG
4.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	322.0
8.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	310.0
13.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	303.1
18.	Lincoln Kienholz (Louisville)	283.8
26.	Ashton Daniels (Florida State)	274.9
29.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	270.2

QBs by Conference in the Top 30 in FBS in Total Offense

Conference	Total
Big 12	8
ACC	***6***
SEC	4
American	3
Big Ten	3
CUSA	2
Pac-12	2
FBS Independents	1
Mountain West	1

HEINTSCHEL'S SEVEN-TD DAY SETS ACC RECORD

■ Pitt quarterback Mason Heintschel made ACC history in Week 1, throwing an ACC single-game record seven touchdown passes in the Panthers' 59-14 win over Miami (OH) on September 5.

■ Heintschel broke the previous ACC single-game record of six touchdown passes, a mark that had been reached 11 times previously, with the last being six by Sam Hartman of Wake Forest versus Clemson in 2022.

■ His seven touchdown passes also tied Pitt's school record, originally set by Pete Gonzalez in 1997.

■ He completed 31-of-41 passes for 453 yards, seven touchdowns and no interceptions, with all seven touchdown passes going to different receivers.

MORE ON MASON AT PITT

■ Pitt's Mason Heintschel became the first quarterback in ACC history to throw at least six touchdown passes in multiple games in the same season. He previously threw an ACC-record seven TD passes against Miami (Ohio) in Week 1.

■ He is the first FBS quarterback since C.J. Stroud and Bailey Zappe in 2021 to record multiple games with six-plus touchdown passes in the same season.

■ He was 29-of-37 passing (78.4%) for 403 yards, six touchdowns and zero interceptions, producing a 223.4 passing efficiency rating in the 59-0 win over Bucknell (September 26). He also rushed three times for 33 yards, giving him 436 yards of total offense.

MENSAH MAKES ACC HISTORY

■ Miami quarterback Darian Mensah completed his first 24 pass attempts in the Hurricanes' 33-20 road win at Wake Forest on September 18, setting an ACC single-game record for consecutive completions.

■ Combined with his final 11 completions against Florida A&M in Week 2 (September 10), Mensah completed an ACC-record 35 consecutive passes, finishing just one shy of the NCAA record of 36.

■ The senior completed 30-of-34 passes (88.2 percent) for 220 yards and three touchdowns without an interception.

DANIELS DELIVERS HISTORIC PERFORMANCE

■ Florida State quarterback Ashton Daniels rushed for a school-record five touchdowns in the Seminoles' 38-7 win over Virginia, tying the ACC single-game record for rushing touchdowns by a quarterback by matching Georgia Tech's TaQuon Marshall against Tennessee on September 4, 2017.

■ Daniels became the only Division I or NFL player over the last 30 seasons with at least five rushing touchdowns, 150 passing yards and an 80-yard touchdown run in the same game.

DUKE'S SHEPPARD RUSHES FOR FIVE TOUCHDOWNS

■ Duke running back Nate Sheppard rushed for 97 yards and a school-record five touchdowns in the Blue Devils' 47-2 win over Boston College.

■ Sheppard scored on runs of 1, 2, 54, 4 and 1 yards, becoming the eighth ACC player since 1996 to record five or more rushing touchdowns in a game.

■ His three first-half rushing touchdowns marked Duke's first three-rushing-touchdown half by a player since 2021.

ACC STANDOUTS SETTING THE NATIONAL PACE

■ In addition to the ACC's standout quarterbacks, several ACC players lead the nation and/or rank in the top 10 nationally in several individual statistical categories through Week 11.

ACC Players Leading the FBS Statistically (Top 10)
Rush Yards Per Carry

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
3.	Isaac Brown (Louisville)	7.24

Rushing Yards Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	YPG
2.	Nate Sheppard (Duke)	132.0

Total Rushing Yards

Rank	Player (Team)	Yards
2.	Nate Sheppard (Duke)	1,320

Rushing Touchdowns

Rank	Player (Team)	TDs
2.	Nate Sheppard (Duke)	19
T9.	Ashton Daniels (Florida State)	13



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Passing Yards Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	YPG
5.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	307.6
7.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	297.3

Total Passing Yards

Rank	Player (Team)	Yards
5.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	3,076
7.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	2,973

Passing Efficiency

Rank	Player (Team)	Effic.
1.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	186.8
5.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	173.8
7.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	168.9

Passing Touchdowns

Rank	Player (Team)	TDs
T2.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	29
5.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	26

Completion Percentage

Rank	Player (Team)	PCT
1.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	76.3
3.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	72.6
10.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	69.5

Completions Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
T5.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	24.20
8.	Ethan Grunkemeyer (Virginia Tech)	23.20
9.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	23.10

Passing Yards Per Completion

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
5.	Ashton Daniels (Florida State)	14.61
8.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	14.23

Yards Per Pass Attempt

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
3.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	9.70
7.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	9.40
8.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	9.35
10.	Lincoln Kienholz (Louisville)	9.20

Total Offensive Yards Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	YPG
4.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	322.0
8.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	310.0

Receptions Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
1.	Malachi Toney (Miami)	9.13
10.	Carlos Hernandez (Wake Forest)	6.70

Receptions

Rank	Player (Team)	Receptions
T6.	Malachi Toney (Miami)	73
T10.	Carlos Hernandez (Wake Forest)	67

Receiving Yards Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	YPG
3.	Malachi Toney (Miami)	128.4
4.	Umari Hatcher (Syracuse)	104.5
5.	Carlos Hernandez (Wake Forest)	103.9

Receiving Yards

Rank	Player (Team)	Yards
3.	Umari Hatcher (Syracuse)	1,045
4.	Carlos Hernandez (Wake Forest)	1,039
7.	Malachi Toney (Miami)	1,027

Receiving Touchdowns

Rank	Player (Team)	TDs
T3.	Malachi Toney (Miami)	13

Total Touchdowns

Rank	Player (Team)	TDs
1.	Nate Sheppard (Duke)	23

Scoring

Rank	Player (Team)	PPG
1.	Nate Sheppard (Duke)	14.0
T7.	Nolan Hauser (Clemson)	10.2
T10.	Malachi Toney (Miami)	9.8

Total Points Scored

Rank	Player (Team)	Points
1.	Nate Sheppard (Duke)	140
T8.	Nolan Hauser (Clemson)	102

Points Responsible For

Rank	Player (Team)	Points
T6.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	186
T9.	Kevin Jennings (SMU)	170

Points Responsible For Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	PPG
T7.	Darian Mensah (Miami)	18.6
9.	Gio Lopez (Wake Forest)	18.2

Fumbles Recovered

Rank	Player (Team)	Total
T3.	Popo Aguirre (NC State)	3
T8.	Marques White (SMU)	2
T8.	Nick Morris Jr. (Duke)	2
T8.	Justin Scott (Miami)	2
T8.	Jaylen Harvey (North Carolina)	2
T8.	Tevarua Tafiti (Stanford)	2
T8.	Jahiem Lawson (Clemson)	2

Forced Fumbles

Rank	Player (Team)	Total
T9.	Aycen Stevens (Virginia Tech)	3

Interceptions Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	PG
2.	Kingston Lopa (Cal)	0.56
T3.	Elliot Washington (Clemson)	0.50
T3.	Kaleb Beasley (Louisville)	0.50
T9.	Charlie Comella (Boston College)	0.40
T9.	KP Price (Boston College)	0.40
T9.	Davien Kerr (Syracuse)	0.40

Total Interceptions

Rank	Player (Team)	Total
T2.	Kingston Lopa (Cal)	5
T2.	Elliot Washington II (Clemson)	5
T2.	Kaleb Beasley (Louisville)	5
T8.	Charlie Comella (Boston College)	4
T8.	KP Price (Boston College)	4
T8.	Davien Kerr (Syracuse)	4
T8.	Brandyn Hillman (Virginia)	4

Total Passes Defended

Rank	Player (Team)	Total
3.	Ashton Hampton (Clemson)	14
T7.	Elliot Washington II (Clemson)	12

Passes Defended Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	PG
3.	Ashton Hampton (Clemson)	1.40
T7.	Elliot Washington II (Clemson)	1.20

Total Sacks

Rank	Player (Team)	Total
T10.	Aycen Stevens (Virginia Tech)	8.5
T10.	Marques White (SMU)	8.5

Sacks Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	PG
T10.	Aycen Stevens (Virginia Tech)	0.85
T10.	Marques White (SMU)	0.85

Total Tackles

Rank	Player (Team)	Total
5.	Derek McDonald (North Carolina)	101

Tackles Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
5.	Derek McDonald (North Carolina)	10.1

Kickoff Return Average

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
8.	Rahkeem Smith (Georgia Tech)	27.6

Kickoff Return Touchdowns

Rank	Player (Team)	TDs
T5.	Jaden Jefferson (North Carolina)	1
T5.	Rahkeem Smith (Georgia Tech)	1

Punt Return Average

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
2.	Que'Sean Brown (Virginia Tech)	23.5

Punt Return Touchdowns

Rank	Player (Team)	TDs
T7.	Knahlij Harrell (Virginia Tech)	1
T7.	Elgin Sessions (Georgia Tech)	1
T7.	Bryant Wesco Jr. (Clemson)	1
T7.	Kam Shanks (Wake Forest)	1

Combined Kick Returns

Rank	Player (Team)	Yards
6.	Rahkeem Smith (Georgia Tech)	541



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Punting

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
1.	Daniel Sparks (Virginia)	50.6

Field Goals Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
1.	Nolan Hauser (Clemson)	2.90

Field Goals Made

Rank	Player (Team)	FGM
1.	Nolan Hauser (Clemson)	29

Field Goal Percentage

Rank	Player (Team)	PCT
T1.	Gabe Panikowski (Florida State)	1.000
T9.	Connor Calvert (Wake Forest)	92.9
T9.	Antonio Chadha (Pitt)	92.9

All-Purpose Yards Per Game

Rank	Player (Team)	AVG
1.	Nate Sheppard (Duke)	171.90
7.	Malachi Toney (Miami)	144.63

Blocked Kicks

Rank	Player (Team)	Total
T1.	Aaron Hampton (California)	2

ACC OFFENSES LIGHTING UP THE SCOREBOARD

■ The ACC has had four different teams score at least 70 points in a game this season, tied for the most by any FBS conference (Big 12). It is tied for the most by the ACC in any campaign over the past 45 years (2013). *(Stats Perform)*

■ Ten different ACC teams have scored at least 56 points in a game this season.

■ The ACC has already surpassed its total from the entire 2025 season, with 10 different conference teams reaching the 56-point mark in a game. *(Stats Perform)*

■ Over half of the ACC's 17 football programs (10) have already produced a 56-point performance through Week 11 of the season.

ACC Teams with 56 or More Points in a Game this Year

Team (Opponent)	Points
Miami (vs. Florida A&M)	77
Wake Forest (vs. Merrimack)	77
NC State (vs. Richmond)	73
Virginia Tech (vs. VMI)	73
Syracuse (vs. New Hampshire)	66
Duke (vs. William & Mary)	62
Pitt (vs. Miami (OH))	59
Pitt (vs. Bucknell)	59
Virginia (vs. Norfolk State)	59
Louisville (vs. Villanova)	59
SMU (vs. California)	59
Wake Forest (vs. Stanford)	57
SMU (vs. UC Davis)	56

■ The ACC has three different teams this season who have won multiple games by at least 45 points (Duke, Miami, Pitt). It is the most by any FBS conference, ahead of the SEC (two), Big Ten (one) and Big 12 (one). *(Stats Perform)*

■ Over the month of October, ACC teams combined for 32 games with 30 or more points, tied for the most by any FBS conference. *(Stats Perform)*

■ The ACC has six teams that are averaging 30.0 points or more per game this season.

ACC Teams Averaging 30.0 or more points

Rank	Team	PPG
1.	Miami	44.1
2.	Wake Forest	43.9
T12.	Louisville	38.3
25.	SMU	34.0
29.	Virginia Tech	33.0
36.	Duke	32.2

■ The ACC has the top two scoring offenses in the FBS in Miami (44.1) and Wake Forest (43.9). The last FBS conference to finish with such ranks was the SEC in 2019 (LSU and Alabama). *(Stats Perform)*

ACC OFFENSES RANK AMONG NATION'S BEST

■ ACC teams rank among the top 10 nationally across several major offensive categories.

Total Offense Yards Per Game

Rank	Team	YPG
4.	Miami	518.1
7.	Wake Forest	492.4

Passing Offense Per Game

Rank	Team	YPG
3.	Miami	331.0
8.	SMU	310.3
10.	Wake Forest	305.6

Passing Yards Per Completion

Rank	Team	AVG
4.	Wake Forest	14.98
7.	Florida State	14.47

Completion Percentage

Rank	Team	PCT
1.	Miami	76.4
2.	SMU	72.9
6.	Virginia Tech	69.9
10.	Louisville	68.9

Team Passing Efficiency

Rank	Team	Effic.
1.	Miami	186.48
2.	Wake Forest	178.20
5.	SMU	173.83

Scoring Offense

Rank	Team	PPG
1.	Miami	44.1
2.	Wake Forest	43.9

Red Zone Offense

Rank	Team	PCT
9.	Wake Forest	94.1

First Downs Offense

Rank	Team	1st Downs
1.	Miami	271
T10.	Syracuse	249

Third-Down Conversion Pct. Offense

Rank	Team	PCT
T3.	Wake Forest	53.2
5.	Miami	52.6

Fewest Sacks Allowed

Rank	Team	Total
T2.	Duke	4.0

Fewest Sacks Allowed Per Game

Rank	Team	AVG
2.	Duke	0.40

Fewest Tackles-for-Loss Allowed

Rank	Team	Total
6.	Miami	28.0

Fewest Tackles-for-Loss Allowed Per Game

Rank	Team	AVG
6.	Miami	2.80

Time of Possession

Rank	Team	AVG
6.	Miami	33:15

Fewest Turnovers Lost

Rank	Team	TOs
T1.	Wake Forest	4
T4.	Miami	5
T7.	Duke	6
T7.	Virginia	6

Fewest Fumbles Lost

Rank	Team	Fumbles
T2.	Duke	1
T7.	Miami	2
T7.	Syracuse	2

Fewest Interceptions Thrown

Rank	Team	INTs
T2.	Wake Forest	1
T8.	Miami	3
T8.	Virginia	3
T8.	Louisville	3



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VIRGINIA JOINS ELITE GROUP OF 700 PROGRAM WINS

■ Virginia's 34-8 victory over NC State in the 2026 season opener on August 29 marked the 700th victory in program history.

■ Virginia is the ninth current ACC program to reach the milestone, joining Clemson, Virginia Tech, Pitt, Georgia Tech, Syracuse, North Carolina, California and Boston College.

Most Wins in FBS History (Min. 700)

Rank	Team	Wins
1.	Michigan	1,027
2.	Ohio State	997
3.	Alabama	993
4.	Notre Dame	981
5.	Texas	979
6.	Oklahoma	966
7.	Penn State	956
8.	Nebraska	937
9.	Georgia	913
10.	USC	898
11.	Tennessee	891
12.	LSU	828
13.	***Clemson***	***821***
14.	North Dakota State	819
15.	Auburn	815
16.	Texas A&M	801
17.	West Virginia	796
	Washington	796
19.	***Virginia Tech***	***787***
20.	***Pitt***	***782***
21.	Florida	776
22.	***Georgia Tech***	***775***
23.	Navy	762
24.	***Syracuse***	***761***
25.	Wisconsin	757
26.	Minnesota	754
27.	Arkansas	753
28.	Army	751
	Delaware	751
30.	Miami (Ohio)	746
31.	Utah	745
32.	***North Carolina***	***744***
33.	Colorado	739
34.	Oregon	738
35.	Missouri	735
36.	Michigan State	728
37.	Iowa	714
38.	***California***	***708***
	TCU	708
39.	***Boston College***	***707***
41.	Ole Miss	705
42.	***Virginia***	***704***

**games through November 16, 2026*

ACC AGAIN OWNED LABOR DAY WEEKEND WITH "FIVE DAYS OF ACC FOOTBALL"

■ 14 teams competed in 12 games across five days (Thursday, September 3 – Monday, September 7).

■ SMU at Florida State on Labor Day Monday marked the ACC's 17th consecutive year playing on Labor Day (excluding 2020) and 20th since 2005.

■ The ACC led all conferences in Week 1 with five Power Four non-conference games.

NINE-GAME CONFERENCE SLATE BEGINS IN 2026

■ 2026 marks the ACC's transition to a nine-game conference football schedule, creating more head-to-head competition among league programs.

■ 12 of the ACC's 17 football programs will play nine conference games in 2026, along with at least one Power Four non-conference opponent.

■ Five programs — Boston College, Clemson, Florida State, Georgia Tech and North Carolina — will play eight ACC games in 2026 because of previously scheduled Power Four non-conference commitments.

■ Beginning in 2027, 16 of 17 programs will play nine ACC games each season, with one school rotating through an eight-game conference schedule and playing two Power Four non-conference opponents.

■ The broader scheduling model is designed to ensure every ACC program plays at least 10 games annually against ACC or other Power Four competition, strengthening overall schedule quality.

ACC FOOTBALL FRIDAYS

■ During the 2026 season, the ACC is playing a record 15 games on Fridays.

■ Over the first six weeks, ACC teams will appear in nine Friday games, including four contests in Week 2.

■ The league's Friday presence will continue in October and November, with:

■ At least one Friday night game will be played in each of Weeks 8, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

■ The Friday slate concludes Thanksgiving week with Florida at Florida State on Black Friday.

ACC IN A LEAGUE OF ITS OWN IN WEEK 0

■ The ACC was the only Power Four conference to play a league game in Week 0 of the 2026 season, as NC State traveled to Virginia on Saturday, August 29. Virginia defeated NC State 34-8 in the 2026 conference opener.

■ Following extensive review with operational partners and international stakeholders, the game, which was originally scheduled to be played in Brazil, was relocated to Charlottesville, Virginia. This change followed communication from Athlete Advantage that the event could not be conducted.

WEEK 0 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — Goes 3-0 in Non-Conference Play**

- North Carolina, Florida State and Stanford all opened the season with victories, giving the ACC a perfect 3-0 non-conference record in Week 0.

■ **ACC — ACC Makes Its Mark on Opening Weekend**

- North Carolina opened the season with a 15-10 victory over TCU in the *Aer Lingus College Football Classic* in Dublin. The Tar Heels' defense held TCU scoreless over the final 49 minutes and snapped the Horned Frogs' streak of 30 consecutive regular-season non-conference games scoring at least 28 points.
- Stanford opened the season with a 37-27 win over Hawai'i, scoring 14 points in the final 1:41 after trailing 27-23. Micah Ford rushed for 99 yards and three touchdowns, including the go-ahead score, before Tevarua Tafiti's 31-yard strip-sack return for a touchdown sealed the victory. Running back Micah Ford became the first Stanford running back since Bryce Love in 2017 with at least 90 rushing yards and three touchdowns in a game.
- Florida State opened its season with a 34-17 win over New Mexico State. Samuel Singleton Jr. contributed both a receiving and rushing touchdown, while quarterback Ashton Daniels added a rushing score.
- Virginia rolled to a 34-8 conference win over NC State, holding the Wolfpack to just 168 yards of total offense. The Cavaliers rushed for 258 yards, their most in an ACC game since 2020. Virginia quarterback Beau Pribula accounted for 265 yards of total offense, completing 9-of-11 passes for 155 yards and two touchdowns while rushing for 110 yards — the most by an FBS quarterback during Week 0.

WEEK 1 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — Offenses Light Up the Scoreboard**

- Three ACC teams scored 59 or more points in Week 1, as Virginia Tech posted 73 points, Syracuse scored 66 and Pitt totaled 59 against Miami (OH).
- The three teams scored at least 59 points on Saturday, September 5. That was the sixth calendar day in the last 40 years that at least three ACC teams reached that mark, previously done on September 21, 2024. *(Stats Perform)*

■ **ACC — Leading the Way**

- In Week 1, the ACC had the leading passer (Mason Heintschel – 453), leading rusher (Nate Sheppard – 227) and leading receiver (Malachi Toney – 234).
- This is the second time in the last 30 seasons that the ACC has done that in the regular season, along with Week 9 of 2018 (Ryan Finley - passer, Matt Colburn II - rusher, Kelvin Harmon - receiver). *(Stats Perform)*



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■ **Miami — National Statement**
- No. 7 Miami opened the season with a 45-6 win at Stanford, scoring touchdowns on six of its first seven possessions.
- QB Darian Mensah completed 27-of-30 passes for a career-high 401 yards and five touchdowns.
- WR Malachi Toney set a Miami single-game record with 234 receiving yards. Toney added three touchdowns on 12 catches.

■ **Pitt — ACC Record**
- Pitt rolled past Miami (OH), 59-14, behind one of the best individual performances of the opening weekend.
- QB Mason Heintschel threw seven touchdown passes, tying the Pitt record and establishing a new ACC single-game record.
- Pitt finished with 646 yards of total offense, while Heintschel's seven TD passes went to seven different receivers.

■ **Virginia Tech — Franklin Era Starts Fast**
- Virginia Tech opened the James Franklin era with a 73-3 win over VMI, scoring 10 TDs.
- It was the Hokies' first 70-point game since a 77-27 win over Akron in 1995.
- VT scored the most points in a half (45) since the first half against Tulsa on December 26, 2015.
- The VT defense recorded 18 tackles-for-loss, the most in a single game since at least 1987.

WEEK 2 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — ACC Goes 12-1 in Non-Conference Play**
- ACC teams won 12 of their 13 non-conference games during Week 2, including four wins over Power Four opponents (3-0 vs. Big Ten; 1-0 vs. Big 12).
- The ACC finished the entire weekend 13-2 when including Cal's 21-18 ACC win at Syracuse.

■ **ACC — Perfect Against the Big Ten and Big 12**
- The ACC went 4-0 against Power Four opponents from the Big Ten and the Big 12, with Boston College defeating Rutgers 28-21, Duke winning 31-27 at Illinois, Wake Forest taking a 38-36 double-overtime thriller at Purdue and Pitt holding off UCF 12-7.
- Those four opponents entered Week 2 a combined 3-1.

■ **ACC — Five Teams Top 50 Points**
- Miami (77), NC State (73), Louisville (59), Virginia (59) and SMU (56) gave the league five teams with 50+ points in Week 2. Those five teams combined for 324 points, an average of 64.8 points per game.
- Among all FBS conferences in Week 2, the ACC had the highest average points scored per game among its teams (39.8) and the fewest average points allowed per game (15.9).
- The ACC outscored opponents 579-218 (+361) across 14 Week 2 games.

■ **ACC — Ranked Teams Roll**
- No. 7 Miami, No. 17 SMU, No. 24 Louisville and No. 25 Virginia all won convincingly, outscoring their opponents 251-33. Miami beat Florida A&M 77-7, Louisville defeated Villanova 59-13, Virginia rolled past Norfolk State 59-3 and SMU defeated UC Davis 56-10.

■ **Miami — Offense Explodes**
- No. 7 Miami piled up an incredible 856 yards of total offense in its 77-7 win over Florida A&M.
- The Hurricanes scored on 11 of their first 12 possessions, recorded 42 first downs and had 453 yards by halftime.
- The 42 first downs was an ACC record for a single game, while the 856 total yards of offense was the second-most in the ACC behind only 858 by Florida State on November 7, 1992, versus Maryland.
- The 77 points scored tied the Miami record and tied for the fourth-most in ACC history, while the 70-point margin of victory ranks as the sixth-highest in ACC history.

■ **NC State — Posts the Weekend's Biggest Shutout**
- NC State posted a 73-0 victory over Richmond, giving the ACC two teams that scored at least 70 points during Week 2. Miami (77) and NC State (73) combined for 150 points while allowing just seven.
- The 73-point margin of victory marks the fourth-largest in ACC history and was the seventh-largest margin in NC State history.
- The 73 points scored were the most points scored at Carter-Finley Stadium by any team.
- NC State set single-game program records in rushing yards (428) and total yards of offense (734) in the win.

WEEK 3 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — Four Teams Move to 3-0**
- Duke, Miami, Pitt and Virginia Tech each improved to 3-0 during Week 3. Miami earned a 33-20 ACC road win at Wake Forest, Duke defeated Stanford 35-7, Pitt downed Syracuse 27-13 and Virginia Tech went on the road to defeat Maryland 35-26.

■ **ACC — Conference Play Delivers**
- Five ACC conference games were played during Week 3, with Pitt, Miami, Clemson, Louisville and Duke earning victories.
- Clemson produced the weekend's biggest comeback in conference play, overcoming an early 17-3 deficit and outscoring North Carolina 25-3 over the final 38:36 to earn a 28-20 victory.
- No. 23 Louisville knocked off No. 16 SMU 41-31 in the weekend's lone matchup between ranked ACC teams, while Duke rolled past Stanford 35-7.

■ **ACC — QBs Put Up Big Numbers**
- ACC quarterbacks continued their fast start in Week 3. Cal's Jaron-Keawe Sagapolutele threw for 413 yards, Virginia Tech's Ethan Grunkemeyer passed for 314, Wake Forest's Gio Lopez threw for 312, while Miami's Darian Mensah established ACC records for consecutive completions.

■ **ACC — Running Backs Continue to Produce**
- The ACC has now had 18 different players rush for at least 100 yards in a game this season, the most among all FBS conferences and the conference's most different 100-yard rushers through Week 3 of a season over the last 30 years.
- Week 3 included another 150-yard performance from Duke's Nate Sheppard (154), 163 yards from Louisville's Keyjuan Brown and 197 yards from SMU's Kendrick Raphael.

■ **Miami — Mensah Makes ACC History**
- Miami quarterback Darian Mensah completed his first 24 passes in the Hurricanes' 33-20 road victory at Wake Forest, setting a new ACC single-game record for consecutive completions.
- Combined with his final 11 consecutive completions against Florida A&M in Week 2, Mensah completed 35 consecutive passes, also establishing a new ACC record for consecutive completions across multiple games. The previous ACC mark was 30 by North Carolina's Mitch Trubisky.
- Mensah finished 30-of-34 for 220 yards and three touchdowns and has now thrown 11 touchdown passes without an interception through Miami's first three games.

■ **Duke — Sheppard Keeps Rolling**
- Duke running back Nate Sheppard rushed for 154 yards and two touchdowns and added a receiving touchdown in the Blue Devils' 35-7 win over Stanford. He has now rushed for at least 150 yards in each of Duke's first three games.
- Sheppard has totaled 528 rushing yards through three games and scored eight total touchdowns. Duke piled up 268 rushing yards against Stanford and improved to 3-0.
- The victory was Duke's fifth consecutive win in an ACC opener, the longest such streak in program history, and extended the Blue Devils' overall winning streak to seven games.

■ **Pitt — Panthers Stay Perfect**
- Pitt improved to 3-0 with a 27-13 ACC victory over Syracuse on Thursday night.
- The Panthers rushed for 245 yards, led by freshman Damon Ferguson Jr.'s 102 yards and a touchdown. Pitt had three different players score rushing touchdowns in the victory.
- Pitt jumped out to a 17-0 advantage and never trailed, holding Syracuse to three points in the second half.



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■ **Virginia Tech — Hokies Snap Maryland's Streak**
- Virginia Tech went on the road and defeated Maryland 35-26, improving to 3-0 and handing the Terrapins their first non-conference loss since 2019. Maryland entered the game riding a nation-leading 20-game non-conference winning streak.
- Quarterback Ethan Grunkemeyer threw for 314 yards and three touchdowns and added a rushing score. Tight end Luke Reynolds caught 12 passes for 107 yards and a touchdown.
- Virginia Tech never trailed and produced three consecutive scoring drives of at least 74 yards during the first half.

■ **Louisville — Cardinals Win Ranked ACC Showdown**
- No. 23 Louisville defeated No. 16 SMU 41-31 in a back-and-forth conference matchup that featured seven lead changes and 921 yards of total offense.
- Running back Keyjuan Brown rushed for 163 yards, highlighted by touchdown runs of 58 and 53 yards, while Isaac Brown added another rushing touchdown. Louisville finished with 41 points against an SMU team that entered the weekend unbeaten.
- The victory marked Louisville's first win over SMU.

■ **Cal — Bears Pile Up Over 600 Yards**
- California exploded for 626 yards of total offense in a 49-7 win over Wagner, the Bears' highest offensive output since totaling 679 yards at North Texas in 2023.
- Quarterback Jaron-Keawe Sagapolutele completed 27-of-33 passes for a career-high 413 yards and three touchdowns, while Cal scored 29 first-quarter points — its most in a quarter since 2015.
- The Bears did not punt in the game, marking the first time Cal played an entire contest without a punt since 2017.

WEEK 4 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — Takes Care of Business**
- ACC teams went 7-0 in non-conference play in Week 4, with Miami, SMU, Pitt, Duke, Virginia, Florida State and NC State all earning victories.

■ **ACC — Four Unbeatens Remain**
- No. 4 Miami, Duke, Pitt and Virginia Tech are all 4-0, giving the ACC four undefeated teams through Week 4.

■ **ACC — Big Offensive Numbers Across the League**
- Five ACC teams scored 40+ points in Week 4 — Duke (62), Pitt (59), Miami (52), Virginia (42) and NC State (41) — while nine ACC teams scored at least 30 points.

■ **ACC — Strong Defensive Performances**
- Pitt posted a 59-0 shutout, while Miami allowed just three points, Virginia three, Florida State seven and Duke seven. Those five ACC teams combined to allow only 20 points in Week 4 victories.

■ **Miami — Canes Continue to Roll**
- The Hurricanes improved to 4-0 with a 52-3 victory over Central Michigan and have outscored opponents 207-36 this season — an average margin of 42.8 points per game.
- Miami QB Darian Mensah completed 23-of-27 passes for 338 yards against Central Michigan and, through four games, has thrown 14 touchdown passes without an interception while completing nearly 89 percent of his passes.

■ **Wake Forest — Deacs Get a Ranked Road Win**
- Wake Forest knocked off No. 16 Louisville, 30-27, giving the Demon Deacons a nationally significant road victory and improving them to 3-1 overall.
- Carlos Hernandez exploded for 194 receiving yards, while Gabe Kirschke sealed the victory by blocking a potential game-tying field goal in the closing seconds.

■ **Virginia Tech — Hokies are 4-0**
- Virginia Tech rallied past Boston College, 21-14, to improve to 4-0 for the first time since 2017. Jeffrey Overton Jr. rushed for a career-high 209 yards, including the game-winning 76-yard touchdown run.

■ **Pitt — Panthers Put Up Record Numbers**
- Pitt improved to 4-0 with a 59-0 shutout of Bucknell, setting school records with 766 yards of total offense and 574 passing yards. The Panthers' eight touchdown passes tied the ACC single-game team record.

■ **Duke — Blue Devils Dominate Again**
- Duke moved to 4-0 with a 62-7 victory over William & Mary, piling up 638 yards of offense while allowing just 170. The Blue Devils have now outscored opponents 145-44 through four games.

■ **Stanford — Warren Puts on a Show**
- Stanford's Davis Warren threw for a career-high 396 yards and three touchdowns in a 34-27 win over Georgia Tech and has opened the season with 143 consecutive pass attempts without an interception.

■ **Clemson — Tigers Get It Done Out West**
- Clemson earned a 24-10 road win at California, holding the Golden Bears to just 145 passing yards. Elliot Washington II recorded two interceptions, while Bryant Wesco Jr.'s 65-yard punt-return touchdown was Clemson's first punt-return TD since 2018.

WEEK 5 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — Three Unbeatens Remain**
- No. 4 Miami and Pitt improved to 5-0 with road wins at Clemson and Virginia Tech, respectively, while idle Duke remains unbeaten at 4-0. The ACC is one of only four conferences with three undefeated teams remaining.

■ **ACC — Depth Continues to Show**
- The ACC exits Week 5 with six teams with one loss or fewer: Miami (5-0), Pitt (5-0), Duke (4-0), SMU (4-1), Virginia Tech (4-1) and Wake Forest (4-1).

■ **ACC — Half-Dozen 100-Yard Receivers**
- The ACC had six different players with at least 100 receiving yards in Week 5, tied for the most among all FBS conferences.

■ **Miami — Hurricanes Make a Statement**
- No. 4 Miami remained unbeaten and moved to 3-0 in ACC play with a convincing 41-13 road win at Clemson. The Hurricanes improved to 5-0 for the second straight season and sit alone atop the ACC standings.

■ **Pitt — Panthers Stay Perfect**
- Pitt rallied from a 14-point deficit to defeat previously unbeaten Virginia Tech, 35-33, on the road Friday night. The Panthers improved to 5-0 overall and 2-0 in ACC play, giving the league two 5-0 teams in Miami and Pitt.

■ **Wake Forest — Demon Deacons Dominate**
- Wake Forest followed its road win at then-No. 16 Louisville with a dominant 57-3 victory over Stanford. The 54-point margin was the largest in an ACC game in Wake Forest history, as the Demon Deacons improved to 4-1 overall.

■ **Florida State — Daniels Delivers Historic Performance**
- Florida State quarterback Ashton Daniels rushed for a school-record five touchdowns in the Seminoles' 38-7 win over Virginia, tying the ACC single-game record for rushing touchdowns by a quarterback. Daniels became the only Division I or NFL player over the last 30 seasons with at least five rushing touchdowns, 150 passing yards and an 80-yard touchdown run in the same game.



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WEEK 6 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — Close Contests Continue in Conference Play**
- Week 6 featured six ACC matchups, with four decided by five points or fewer, including North Carolina's 21-17 road win at No. 25 Pitt, Georgia Tech's 28-25 win over Duke, California's 25-20 victory over Virginia Tech and Virginia's 28-25 comeback win over Syracuse.
- That is the conference's most in any single week over the past 45 seasons.

■ **North Carolina — Heels Earn Ranked Win at Pitt**
- North Carolina earned a 21-17 road victory at No. 25 Pitt, handing the Panthers their first loss of the season and securing the Tar Heels' first win over a ranked opponent since 2023.
- Quarterback Billy Edwards Jr. completed 18-of-26 passes for 249 yards and two touchdowns, including a 75-yard go-ahead scoring strike to Shamar Easter in the second half.
- The win marked Bill Belichick's first victory over a ranked opponent as North Carolina's head coach and the Tar Heels' first ranked road win since 2020.

■ **Louisville — Brown Posts Record Day in Friday Win**
- Louisville rallied from a 14-0 deficit to defeat Florida State, 44-20, on Friday night, scoring 44 of the game's final 50 points.
- Isaac Brown rushed for a career-high 235 yards and two touchdowns on only 17 carries, highlighted by a 97-yard touchdown run—the longest play from scrimmage in Louisville history.
- The Cardinals piled up 397 rushing yards and 537 total yards, with Brown's 235 rushing yards the most by an FBS running back this season.

■ **Wake Forest — Deacs Rally for Third P4 Road Win**
- Wake Forest turned a 14-7 second-quarter deficit into a 38-14 road win at NC State, scoring the game's final 31 points to improve to 5-1 overall and 3-1 in ACC play.
- Gio Lopez threw for 303 yards and three touchdowns and added a rushing touchdown, while Jack Foley posted eight receptions for 156 yards and a score.
- The Demon Deacons limited NC State to 18 total yards in the third quarter and remain one of three ACC teams with one or fewer overall losses.
- Wake Forest improved to 3-0 on the road this season, and is just one of three teams in all of FBS to have three Power Four road wins on the year.

■ **Georgia Tech — Jackets Sting Duke in the ATL**
- Georgia Tech erased Duke's undefeated record with a 28-25 victory in Atlanta, as Trelain Maddox scored the go-ahead touchdown with 54 seconds remaining.
- Maddox finished with 81 rushing yards and three touchdowns, while quarterback Alberto Mendoza completed 23-of-30 passes for 218 yards and a score.
- Duke drove into Georgia Tech territory in the final minute, but a 33-yard field-goal attempt sailed wide left with five seconds to play.
- The Jackets snapped Duke's eight-game winning streak and six-game conference road game winning streak with the win.

■ **California — Bears Bear Down in Homecoming Win**
- California outlasted Virginia Tech, 25-20, scoring the game-winning touchdown with 18 seconds remaining to improve to 2-1 in ACC play.
- Jackson Brousseau threw for 321 yards and a touchdown, and Ashten Emory scored twice on the ground, including the decisive 2-yard touchdown run in the final minute.
- The Bears won despite Virginia Tech holding a 401-403 edge in total offense; both teams were within 13 yards of one another offensively.

■ **Virginia — Hoos Rally Past the Orange**
- Virginia overcame a 10-point second-half deficit to defeat Syracuse, 28-25, improving to 4-2 overall and 2-1 in conference play.
- Jekail Middlebrook scored two fourth-quarter rushing touchdowns and finished with 95 yards on 17 carries.
- Virginia rallied from a 17-7 halftime deficit and scored 21 consecutive points to take control in the fourth quarter.

WEEK 7 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — Ranked Teams Keep Rolling**
- The ACC's three ranked teams all earned conference wins in Week 7, as No. 3 Miami defeated Florida State 43-35 in double overtime, No. 21 Wake Forest rolled past California 41-7 and No. 24 SMU defeated Virginia 23-13.
- The ACC was the only conference that did not have a top 25 team lose in Week 7.

■ **ACC — 100-Yard Receivers**
- The ACC had eight performances of at least 100 receiving yards in Week 7, most among all FBS conferences. That was the most for the ACC on any single calendar day since October 2, 2021 (also eight).

■ **ACC — Rivalries Deliver**
- Three longtime ACC rivalries highlighted Week 7, with Miami defeating Florida State 43-35 in double overtime, North Carolina topping Duke 24-20 in the Battle for the Victory Bell and Virginia Tech defeating Georgia Tech 34-24 in the Battle of the Techs.

■ **ACC — Another Week of Close Conference Games**
- Four of the ACC's seven conference games in Week 7 were decided by 10 points or fewer, including three by eight points or fewer.
- Miami-Florida State went to double overtime, while North Carolina-Duke was decided by four points and Boston College-Pitt by six.

■ **ACC — Offenses Light Up the Scoreboard**
- Six ACC teams scored at least 34 points in Week 7 — Miami (43), Wake Forest (41), Clemson (37), Florida State (35) and Louisville and Stanford (34 each).
- Miami and Florida State combined for 78 points in their double-overtime thriller.

■ **ACC — Two Teams Reach Six Wins**
- No. 3 Miami and No. 21 Wake Forest both reached the six-win mark in Week 7. Miami moved to 6-0 overall and 4-0 in conference action with its win over Florida State, while Wake Forest improved to 6-1 overall and 4-1 in ACC play with a 41-7 road win at California.

■ **Miami — Canes Stay Perfect**
- No. 3 Miami improved to 6-0 overall and 4-0 in ACC play with a 43-35 double-overtime win over rival Florida State. The Hurricanes are the ACC's lone remaining unbeaten team and have won all four of their conference games.

■ **SMU — Mustangs Continue ACC Success**
- No. 24 SMU improved to 5-1 overall and 3-1 in ACC play with a 23-13 win over Virginia. The Mustangs are now 17-3 overall in ACC games since joining the league in 2024 and a perfect 10-0 at home against ACC opponents.

■ **Wake Forest — Continues to Roll on the Road**
- No. 21 Wake Forest scored touchdowns on five of its first six possessions en route to a 41-7 road win at California. The Demon Deacons piled up more than 500 yards of offense, including 220 rushing yards, while Gio Lopez threw four touchdown passes.
- The Demon Deacons are the only team in all of FBS with four Power 4 true road wins on the season.

■ **North Carolina — Tar Heels Reclaim the Victory Bell**
- North Carolina scored the game-winning touchdown with 1:53 remaining to defeat Duke 24-20 in Durham, North Carolina, and reclaim the Victory Bell.
- The Tar Heels drove 78 yards for the winning score after Duke had taken its first lead of the game with 4:29 remaining.



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WEEK 8 HIGHLIGHTS

■ ACC — Conference Play Delivers Dramatic Weekend
- All seven ACC games in Week 8 were conference matchups, with four decided by four points or fewer. Duke edged Virginia, 19-16; Stanford held off NC State, 31-28; Virginia Tech stunned Clemson, 20-16; and Syracuse outlasted North Carolina, 31-30, in overtime. That is the conference's most in any single week over the past 45 seasons.
- Four of the seven games were won by the road team, as Duke, Boston College, Virginia Tech and Syracuse each earned road victories, the most among all FBS conferences.That is the most for the ACC in any single week since Week 10 of last season (five).
- With Syracuse's overtime win at North Carolina, every ACC program has now recorded at least one conference victory this season.

■ ACC — Offensive Fireworks Across the League
- Three ACC teams scored at least 49 points in Week 8, led by No. 1 Miami's 52-point performance against Pitt, No. 23 SMU's 59 points against Cal and Boston College's 49 at Georgia Tech.
- The Hurricanes, Mustangs and Eagles combined for 160 points and 1,506 yards of total offense in their three victories.

■ ACC — Conference of QBs
- ACC players combined for a 146.7 passer rating and 6.50 pass TD-int ratio in Week 8. Both marks ranked first among all FBS conferences (excluding Independents).
- Stanford's Davis Warren became the 17th different ACC player to throw at least four passing touchdowns in a game since the beginning of last season. That is most among all FBS conferences in that time period.

■ ACC — Field Goals Galore
- The ACC combined to go 22-for-24 on field-goal attempts in Week 8. The 91.7% field-goal percentage ranked first among all FBS conferences in Week 8.

■ Miami — Mensah and Toney Lead No. 1 Hurricanes
- No. 1 Miami improved to 7-0 overall and 5-0 in ACC play with a 52-23 win over Pitt in the Hurricanes' first game as the nation's top-ranked team since 2002.
- Quarterback Darian Mensah completed 31-of-37 passes for 387 yards, four touchdowns and no interceptions, while Malachi Toney set a Miami single-game record with 16 receptions for 194 yards and three touchdowns.
- Miami totaled 506 yards of offense, scored at least 50 points for the fourth time this season and extended its winning streak to seven games.

■ SMU — Jennings Sets Record in 59-Point Effort
- No. 23 SMU rolled to a 59-20 win over California to improve to 6-1 overall and 4-1 in ACC play.
- SMU outscored the Golden Bears 42-0 in the second half, the first time in an ACC vs. ACC game in which one team outscored another team 42-0 or more in the second half since Florida State outscored Maryland 42-0 in a 63-0 win back in 2013.
- Quarterback Kevin Jennings completed 16-of-23 passes for 223 yards and three touchdowns, including the 73rd touchdown pass of his career to break SMU's program record.
- Kendrick Raphael added 104 rushing yards and accounted for three touchdowns as the Mustangs scored 59 points for the second time this season.

■ Boston College — Eagles Run Wild at Georgia Tech
- Boston College overcame an early 10-0 deficit and rushed for 399 yards in a 49-27 road win at Georgia Tech.
- Bo MacCormack III rushed for a career-high 155 yards and three touchdowns, while quarterback Mason McKenzie and MacCormack combined for 325 rushing yards and five touchdowns.
- The Eagles totaled 500 yards of offense, and defensive back Charlie Comella recorded two second-half interceptions, including a 47-yard pick-six that helped seal the victory.

■ Virginia Tech — Hokies Rally Late at Clemson
- Virginia Tech earned a 20-16 road victory at Clemson after quarterback Ethan Grunkemeyer connected with tight end Luke Reynolds for a 5-yard touchdown with 1:44 remaining.
- Grunkemeyer threw both of his touchdown passes to Reynolds, and the Hokies' defense forced a turnover on downs during Clemson's final possession to secure the win.
- Virginia Tech improved to 6-2 overall and 3-2 in ACC play with its first victory at Clemson since 1998.

■ Syracuse — Orange Win Overtime Thriller
- Syracuse rallied from a 10-point second-half deficit to earn a 31-30 overtime win at North Carolina.
- Quarterback Steve Angeli connected with Calvin Russell III for a 4-yard touchdown in overtime, then found Russell again on the ensuing two-point conversion to give the Orange the lead.
- Syracuse tied the game with 1:54 remaining in regulation on a 3-yard touchdown run and then made the defensive stop to force overtime. The win was the Orange's first in ACC play this season.

■ Stanford — Warren Throws Four TDs in Home Win
- Stanford held off NC State, 31-28, behind four touchdown passes from quarterback Davis Warren.
- Warren connected with Nico Brown twice, Sedrick Irvin and Caden High as the Cardinal built a 28-14 lead through three quarters. Stanford added a fourth-quarter field goal that proved to be the difference.
- The Cardinal finished with 477 yards of total offense and improved to 4-4 overall.

■ Duke — Blue Devils Find a Way in Charlottesville
- Duke earned a 19-16 road win at Virginia in a rematch of last season's ACC Football Championship Game.
- Trailing 16-13 in the fourth quarter, Nate Sheppard threw a touchdown pass to Brody Keefe on a double-pass play to give the Blue Devils the lead.
- Duke's defense sealed the victory when Patrick Smith-Young intercepted Virginia quarterback Beau Pribula with 45 seconds remaining. The Blue Devils improved to 5-2 overall and 2-2 in conference play.

WEEK 9 HIGHLIGHTS

■ ACC — Week 9 Delivers More Late Drama
- Two ACC games were decided by three points in Week 9, as No. 1 Miami edged North Carolina, 38-35, and Syracuse knocked off No. 19 SMU, 30-27.
- The ACC now has 22 conference games decided by one possession this season, including 12 decided by three points or fewer.

■ ACC — Nine Teams Reach 30 Points in Week 9
- Nine ACC teams scored at least 30 points in Week 9: Louisville (52), Wake Forest (51), Duke (47), Miami (38), Clemson (36), North Carolina (35), Pitt (34), NC State (31) and Syracuse (30).
- Seven of the nine teams scored at least 34 points, while all eight ACC game winners topped the 30-point mark.

■ Miami — Finds a Way in Chapel Hill
- No. 1 Miami improved to 8-0 overall and 6-0 in ACC play with a 38-35 road win at North Carolina.
- With the Hurricanes leading 31-28 in the fourth quarter, DL Marquise Lightfoot recorded a strip-sack that set up Miami's decisive touchdown drive. Lightfoot finished with seven tackles, two sacks and a forced fumble.

■ Wake Forest — Five Straight in Dominant Fashion
- No. 14 Wake Forest extended its winning streak to five games with a 51-7 win over Virginia.
- The Demon Deacons have outscored opponents 238-38 during the five-game run, with every victory coming by at least 24 points. The Deacs totaled 538 yards, including 309 rushing yards and five rushing TDs, against the Cavaliers.



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■ **Duke — Sheppard Makes History**
- Duke sophomore RB Nate Sheppard rushed for 97 yards and a school-record five touchdowns in the Blue Devils' 47-2 win over Boston College.
- Sheppard's five rushing touchdowns were the most by a Duke player in a game and made him the eighth ACC player since 1996 to score at least five rushing touchdowns in a game. He set Duke's single-season touchdown record with 18 and leads the FBS in total touchdowns and points per game.

■ **Louisville — Offense Keeps Rolling**
- Louisville won its third straight game with a 52-24 victory over Stanford.
- The Cardinals compiled 545 yards of offense, rushed for 296 yards and four touchdowns at 9.0 yards per carry, and did not allow a sack.
- WR Tre Richardson totaled 189 yards on 14 touches, including 10 receptions for 140 yards.

■ **Clemson — Hauser's Historic Night**
- Clemson earned a 36-24 road win at Florida State behind a career night from PK Nolan Hauser.
- Hauser was 5-for-5 on field goals, including makes from 50 and 49 yards, and added three extra points. He is now 23-for-24 on field goals this season and has made 13 straight attempts.

■ **Syracuse — Upsets No. 19 SMU**
- Syracuse earned its second straight win with a 30-27 victory over No. 19 SMU.
- The Orange followed their overtime win at North Carolina with another three-point result, while handing SMU its first ACC loss since September 19.

■ **NC State — Aguirre Leads Defensive Effort**
- NC State defeated Cal, 31-10, behind a strong defensive performance that held the Golden Bears scoreless in the second half.
- LB Popo Aguirre registered 16 tackles, 2.0 tackles-for-loss and a quarterback hurry, while Cal was limited to 73 rushing yards. Aguirre ranks second in the ACC and 12th nationally in tackles per game.

WEEK 10 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — Six Teams Reach 30 Points in Week 10**
- Six ACC teams scored at least 30 points in Week 10: Wake Forest (77), SMU (51), Louisville (44), Duke (41), North Carolina (38) and Florida State (31).
- Four teams topped 40 points, while four ACC teams earned conference road victories: Clemson, Florida State, Duke and Louisville.

■ **ACC — Swinney, Brohm Reach Coaching Milestones**
- Clemson's Dabo Swinney earned his 118th ACC regular-season victory in the Tigers' 18-13 win at Syracuse, breaking a tie with Bobby Bowden (117) for the most conference regular-season wins in ACC history.
- Louisville's Jeff Brohm collected his 100th career victory as the Cardinals earned a 44-17 road win at Georgia Tech.

■ **Wake Forest — Historic 77-Point Performance**
- No. 16 Wake Forest matched the ACC record for largest margin of victory with a 77-0 win over Merrimack.
- The Demon Deacons improved to 8-1 overall, won their sixth straight game and scored at least 38 points for the sixth time this season.

■ **SMU — Mustangs Post 51 in Ranked Win**
- SMU improved to 7-2 overall and 5-2 in ACC play with a 51-28 win over Virginia Tech on Friday night.
- QB Kevin Jennings completed 24-of-32 passes for 350 yards and four touchdowns, while WR Yamir Knight caught six passes for 103 yards and three scores.

■ **Duke — Dominant on the Road**
- Duke earned its fourth ACC win and improved to 7-2 overall with a 41-3 road victory at NC State.
- RB Nate Sheppard rushed 18 times for 217 yards and three touchdowns, including a 69-yard touchdown run on Duke's opening drive. The Blue Devils allowed only a first-quarter field goal and held NC State scoreless over the final 54:53.

■ **Louisville — Fourth Straight Win**
- Louisville won its fourth consecutive game, defeating Georgia Tech, 44-17, in Atlanta.
- The Cardinals rushed for 251 yards and averaged 7.0 yards per carry. QB Lincoln Kienholz accounted for 263 yards of total offense, while WR Treyshun Hurry posted 104 receiving yards.

■ **Clemson — Defense Delivers in Syracuse**
- Clemson improved to 6-3 overall and 4-2 in ACC play with an 18-13 road win at Syracuse.
- The Tigers recorded three sacks, held Syracuse to one score in three red-zone trips and forced a fourth-quarter turnover to secure the victory. Clemson also converted all three of its red-zone opportunities into points.

■ **Florida State — Road Rally in Chestnut Hill**
- Florida State erased a 17-0 first-quarter deficit to defeat Boston College, 31-24, on the road.
- The Seminoles scored 21 unanswered points in the second quarter, then added 10 fourth-quarter points to complete the comeback. RB Amari Thomas rushed for 98 yards, while WR Micahi Danzy recorded 86 receiving yards.

■ **North Carolina — Balanced Road Win at UConn**
- North Carolina earned a 38-21 non-conference road victory at UConn.
- The Tar Heels totaled 419 yards, controlled possession for more than 36 minutes and converted 9-of-16 third-down opportunities. QB Billy Edwards Jr. threw for 255 yards, while TE Jelani Thurman led UNC with 64 receiving yards.

■ **Miami — Road Test at Notre Dame**
- Miami fell 31-24 at No. 11 Notre Dame in a matchup of top-11 teams, moving to 8-1 overall.
- QB Darian Mensah threw for 276 yards, while WR Elija Lofton totaled 113 receiving yards. The Hurricanes scored 21 second-half points and cut the deficit to seven in the fourth quarter.

WEEK 11 HIGHLIGHTS

■ **ACC — Road Teams Shine in Week 11**
- Road teams went 6-2 in the eight ACC games during Week 11, with Florida State, Syracuse, Wake Forest, Louisville, Georgia Tech and Stanford all earning conference road victories.
- Wake Forest's 49-7 win at SMU, Georgia Tech's 20-6 victory at Clemson and Stanford's 40-22 win at Virginia Tech highlighted the slate's road results.

■ **ACC — Championship Race Takes Shape**
- Miami remains the ACC's only unbeaten team in conference play at 7-0 and is closing in on clinching a berth in the 2026 ACC Football Championship Game.
- Wake Forest improved to 6-1 in ACC play with its win at SMU, while Louisville moved to 6-2 after its road victory at North Carolina.

■ **ACC — League's Top Teams Deliver on the Road**
- Miami, Wake Forest and Louisville — the ACC's top three teams in the conference standings entering the weekend — combined to go 3-0 in Week 11.
- The three teams outscored their opponents by a combined 101-46, including Wake Forest's 42-point first half at SMU.

■ **Miami — Canes Remain Unbeaten in Conference Play**
- Miami improved to 9-1 overall and 7-0 in ACC play with a 36-25 win over Duke.
- The Hurricanes, led 22-10 at halftime and closed out their seventh straight conference victory.
- Darian Mensah completed 30-of-41 passes for 382 yards and a touchdown, while Miami totaled 532 yards of offense.
- Duke fell to 7-3 overall and 4-3 in league play despite entering the game having won three straight.



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■ **Wake Forest — Deacs Roll Past SMU**
- Wake Forest moved to 9-1 overall and 6-1 in league play with a 49-7 road win at SMU.
- The Demon Deacons scored 42 first-half points and limited the Mustangs to seven points in handing SMU its first home loss of the season.
- Wake Forest won its seventh straight game and recorded its sixth consecutive victory by at least 24 points.
- The Demon Deacons remain in contention for a berth in the 2026 ACC Football Championship Game.

■ **Louisville — Cardinals Earn Key Road Win**
- Louisville improved to 7-3 overall and 6-2 in ACC play after defeating North Carolina, 16-14, in Chapel Hill.
- The Cardinals' six conference wins keep them in the race for a berth in the 2026 ACC Football Championship Game.
- Louisville won its fifth straight game and improved to 4-1 on the road this season.

■ **Close Road Wins — Cuse, FSU Win Tight Road Games**
- Syracuse rallied for a 34-31 win at NC State, while Florida State earned a 16-10 victory at Pitt on Friday night.
- The Orange erased a double-digit fourth-quarter deficit, and the Seminoles held Pitt to 10 points in their road win.
- Syracuse defensive back Devin Adeleye returned an interception 18 yards for a touchdown late in the fourth quarter to ignite the comeback.
- Florida State earned consecutive road wins for the first time since 2023 after also winning at Boston College the previous week.

■ **Upset City — GT, Stanford Post Road Upsets**
- Georgia Tech earned a 20-6 win at Clemson, while Stanford went on the road to defeat Virginia Tech, 40-22.
- The Yellow Jackets limited Clemson to two field goals, and Stanford scored 40 points at Lane Stadium.
- Georgia Tech earned its first road win over Clemson since 2014.
- Stanford's victory marked its first-ever win at Virginia Tech and kept the Cardinal in the mix for bowl eligibility.

■ **Virginia — Hoos Defend Home Field**
- Virginia defeated California, 36-7, to improve to 5-5 overall.
- The Cavaliers scored 30 unanswered points after California's opening touchdown and moved within one win of bowl eligibility.

UNMATCHED DEPTH IN BOWL SEASON

■ Over the last three seasons (2023, 2024 and 2025), the ACC has had 11 or more bowl-eligible teams each year — the longest streak of any conference.

■ The 2024 season saw a league-record 13 ACC teams earn bowl eligibility, tying for the most among all Power Four conferences.

■ For 24 consecutive years, the ACC has secured six or more bowl bids, excluding the unique 2020 season. The league has sent 11 teams or more to the postseason in seven of the last 12 years.

ELITE PRESENCE IN THE CFP & BCS CHAMPIONSHIP

■ In 10 of the past 13 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).

■ The ACC is one of the few conferences to have sent five different programs to the College Football Playoff:

ACC Teams in the College Football Playoff

Team	Year(s)
Clemson	2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2024
Florida State	2014
Miami	2025
SMU	2024
Notre Dame*	2020

** played the season as a member of the ACC*

■ With nine all-time College Football Playoff victories, the ACC ranks third nationally behind only the SEC (21) and Big Ten (16).

ACC'S GROWING GLOBAL FOOTPRINT

■ The ACC kicked off the 2026 season on the international stage, as North Carolina defeated TCU 15-10 in the *Aer Lingus College Football Classic* in Dublin, Ireland, on Saturday, August 29.

■ ACC football is no stranger to Dublin, with conference teams previously competing in the *Aer Lingus College Football Classic* in both 2016 and 2024.

■ Florida State and Georgia Tech opened the 2024 college football season in Dublin on August 24, 2024, while Georgia Tech and Boston College began the 2016 campaign in Ireland on September 3, 2016.

■ The ACC's global footprint will expand again in 2027 with multiple international contests. Pitt will face Wisconsin in the *Aer Lingus College Football Classic* in Dublin on August 28, while Syracuse and Wake Forest will make history with an ACC matchup in Toronto on August 28 or 29.

ACC TEAMS KICK OFF IN IRELAND

■ North Carolina took on TCU in the 2026 *Aer Lingus College Football Classic* on Saturday, August 29, at Aviva Stadium in Dublin, Ireland, defeating the Horned Frogs 15-10 in the season opener.

ACC Teams in the Aer Lingus College Football Classic

Year	Matchup	Result
2016	Georgia Tech vs. Boston College	GT, 17-14
2024	Georgia Tech vs. #10 Florida State	GT, 24-21
2026	North Carolina vs. TCU	UNC, 15-10
2027	Pitt vs. Wisconsin	Aug. 28

ACC PART OF ANOTHER HISTORIC COLLEGE GAMEDAY

■ ESPN's *College GameDay* was in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for Clemson at No. 11 LSU in Week 1, marking the show's historic 500th road show.

■ The milestone matchup also kicked off the 40th season of college football's premier pregame show.

■ Clemson was part of *College GameDay*'s 400th road show, as the No. 2 Tigers played No. 3 Ohio State in the College Football Playoff Semifinals at the Allstate Sugar Bowl on January 1, 2021.

■ *College GameDay* held its first-ever on-campus road show on November 13, 1993, when No. 1 Florida State traveled to No. 2 Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana.

■ The ACC was also part of *College GameDay*'s first international road show, when No. 10 Florida State faced Georgia Tech in Dublin, Ireland, in Week 0 of the 2024 season.

ACC DUO NAMED TO ALLSTATE AFCA GOOD WORKS TEAM

■ Clemson running back Gideon Davidson and Duke offensive lineman Micah Sahakian were named to the 2026 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team.

■ The pair are two of just 11 FBS student-athletes selected nationally, making the ACC one of only three conferences with multiple FBS honorees.

■ The award recognizes student-athletes for outstanding commitment to community service, academic achievement and athletic excellence.

■ Davidson has raised more than $12,000 for adoption-related causes, while Sahakian's service includes work with Duke Children's Hospital, local youth and refugee communities in Lebanon.



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COACHING RECORDS

CAREER VICTORIES - FBS COACHES IN 2026

Rk.	Coach (Current School)	Wins
1.	K.C. Keeler (Temple)	278
2.	Kirk Ferentz (Iowa)	229
3.	Willie Fritz (Houston)	228
4.	Chris Creighton (Eastern Michigan)	204
5.	Rich Rodriguez (West Virginia)	199
6.	***Dabo Swinney (Clemson)***	***193***
7.	Kyle Whittingham (Michigan)	182
8.	Lance Leipold (Kansas)	177
9.	Curt Cignetti (Indiana)	155
10.	Chuck Martin (Miami (OH))	152
11.	Bronco Mendenhall (Utah State)	150
12.	Troy Calhoun (Air Force)	147
13.	Bob Chesney (UCLA)	142
14.	Bret Bielema (Illinois)	140
15.	***James Franklin (Virginia Tech)***	***134***
16.	Kalen DeBoer (Alabama)	133
	Pete Lembo (Buffalo)	133
18.	Jamey Chadwell (Liberty)	131
19.	Jeff Monken (Army)	130
20.	Kirby Smart (Georgia)	126
21.	Ken Niumatalolo (San Jose State)	124
22.	Lane Kiffin (LSU)	122
23.	***Dave Doeren (NC State*)***	***121***
24.	Dan Mullen (UNLV)	119
25.	***Rick Stockstill (Florida State)***	***115***

30.	***Mario Cristobal (Miami)***	***106***
33.	***Jeff Brohm (Louisville)***	***101***
41.	***Pat Narduzzi (Pitt)***	***86***
45.	***Mike Norvell (Florida State*)***	***79***

CAREER WINNING % - FBS COACHES IN 2026

Rk.	Name (Current School)	Record	Pct.^
1.	Tim Polasek (North Dakota St.)	34-5	.872
2.	Kalen DeBoer (Alabama)	133-22	.858
3.	Ryan Day (Ohio State)	89-15	.856
4.	Kirby Smart (Georgia)	126-22	.851
5.	Dan Lanning (Oregon)	55-11	.833
6.	Mike Jacobs (Toledo)	102-25	.803
7.	Curt Cignetti (Indiana)	155-38	.803
8.	Marcus Freeman (Notre Dame)	52-13	.800
9.	Matt Entz (Fresno State)	74-20	.787
10.	Spencer Danielson (Boise State)	33-9	.786
11.	***Dabo Swinney (Clemson)***	***193-57***	***.772***
12.	Lincoln Riley (USC)	97-31	.758
13.	Jon Sumrall (Florida)	49-17	.742
14.	Bob Chesney (UCLA)	142-52	.732
15.	Jimmy Rogers (Iowa State)	38-14	.731
16.	Josh Heupel (Tennessee)	81-30	.730
17.	***Rhett Lashlee (SMU)***	***45-19***	***.703***
18.	Joey McGuire (Texas Tech)	44-19	.698
19.	Jason Eck (New Mexico)	43-19	.694
20.	Blake Harrell (East Carolina)	20-9	.690
21.	Lance Leipold (Kansas)	177-80	.689
22.	K.C. Keeler (Temple)	278-127-1	.686
23.	Jeff Traylor (UTSA)	61-28	.685
24.	Lane Kiffin (LSU)	122-57	.682
25.	Willie Simmons (FIU)	77-36	.681

-	***James Franklin (Virginia Tech)***	***134-64***	***.677***
-	***Jeff Brohm (Louisville)***	***101-59***	***.631***
-	***Manny Diaz (Duke)***	***46-27***	***.630***
-	***Jake Dickert (Wake Forest)***	***41-25***	***.621***
-	***Dave Doeren (NC State*)***	***121-78***	***.608***

^ *minimum one full season as a coach*
* *fired during the season*

ACC LEADS THE WAY IN JASON WITTEN COLLEGIATE MAN OF THE YEAR SEMIFINALISTS LIST

■ The ACC leads all conferences with seven semifinalists for the 2026 Jason Witten Collegiate Man of the Year Award, recognizing exceptional leadership, courage, integrity and sportsmanship on and off the field.

■ The ACC's seven selections come from seven different institutions—Duke, Florida State, Miami, NC State, North Carolina, Pitt and Stanford—highlighting the depth of leadership across the conference.

Matt Craycraft, C	Duke
Mark Fletcher Jr., RB	Miami
Mason Heintschel, QB	Pitt
Duce Robinson, WR	Florida State
Isaiah Shirley, DT	NC State
Jordan Shipp, WR	North Carolina
Davis Warren, QB	Stanford

DICKERT, CRISTOBAL NAMED TO MUNGER AWARD WATCH LIST

■ Wake Forest's Jake Dickert and Miami's Mario Cristobal were two of 10 coaches named to the Maxwell Football Club's George Munger Coach of the Year Award Watch List, recognizing the nation's top collegiate coach.

TRIO NAMED TO DODD TROPHY MIDSEASON WATCH LIST

■ The ACC has three coaches represented on the 2026 Dodd Trophy Midseason Watch List: Mario Cristobal (Miami), Jake Dickert (Wake Forest) and Rhett Lashlee (SMU).

TRIO NAMED TO BEAR BRYANT COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD MIDSEASON WATCH LIST

■ The ACC has three coaches represented on the 2026 Paul "Bear" Bryant Coach of the Year Award Midseason Watch List: Mario Cristobal (Miami), Jake Dickert (Wake Forest) and Rhett Lashlee (SMU).

ACC LEGEND PHILIP RIVERS RETURNS TO ALMA MATER AS NC STATE HEAD COACH

■ NC State alumnus and ACC legend Philip Rivers returns to Raleigh as the Wolfpack's head football coach, bringing one of the conference's most accomplished playing resumes back to the ACC sideline.

■ Rivers remains the ACC's all-time leader in career passing yards (13,484), completions (1,087), attempts (1,710) and 400-yard passing games (seven).

■ The 2003 ACC Player of the Year started all 51 games of his Wolfpack career, led NC State to four bowl appearances and helped guide the Pack to an 11-3 season and No. 12 national finish in 2002.

■ Rivers adds 17 years of NFL experience—including eight Pro Bowl selections—and a proven high school head-coaching track record, having led St. Michael Catholic to four playoff appearances in six seasons.

NC STATE RELIEVES DOEREN OF COACHING DUTIES

■ NC State relieved head coach Dave Doeren of his duties on October 26, ending his 14-year tenure with the Wolfpack. Doeren leaves as the winningest coach in program history, compiling a 98-74 overall record, including 11 bowl appearances and 10 winning seasons.

■ Doeren's tenure included a 9-4 record against rival North Carolina, including five straight victories to close his career, while his program produced 30 NFL Draft selections. Running backs coach/special teams coordinator Todd Goebbel has been named interim head coach for the remainder of the season.

FLORIDA STATE MAKES A CHANGE IN HEAD COACH

■ Florida State made a change in football leadership Sunday, November 1, dismissing Mike Norvell after seven seasons. Norvell leaves Tallahassee with a 41-39 record, highlighted by the Seminoles' 2023 ACC Championship and 13-0 regular season.

■ FSU Athletics Hall of Fame member Rick Stockstill has been named interim head coach for the remainder of the season. Stockstill, a former Seminole quarterback, is in his third season on the Florida State staff following 18 years as head coach at Middle Tennessee.

ACC COACHES BACK HOME AT THEIR ALMA MATERS

■ Currently, six ACC head football coaches are leading their alma maters:

Head Coach	Alma Mater
Jeff Brohm	Louisville
Mario Cristobal	Miami
Brent Key	Georgia Tech
Tosh Lupoi	California
Tavita Pritchard	Stanford
Rick Stockstill (Interim)	Florida State

■ NC State's hire of Philip Rivers gives the ACC seven head coaches coaching at their alma maters.

TRIO OF ACC HEAD COACHES WITH MULTIPLE CFP WINS

■ With the hiring of James Franklin at Virginia Tech in the 2026 offseason, the ACC now has three head coaches with multiple College Football Playoff wins: Clemson's Dabo Swinney, Miami's Mario Cristobal and Virginia Tech's Franklin.

Conferences with Head Coaches with Multiple CFP Wins

Conference	# of Coaches
SEC	4
ACC	**3**
Big Ten	3



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WINNINGEST COACH IN ACC REGULAR-SEASON GAMES

■ Dabo Swinney surpassed Bobby Bowden for the most career ACC regular-season wins with Clemson's 18-13 win over Syracuse on Saturday, November 7.

Most Wins in ACC Regular-Season Games

Rank	Coach (School)	ACC Wins
1.	***Dabo Swinney (Clemson)***	***118***
2.	Bobby Bowden (Florida State)	117
3.	George Welsh (Virginia)	85
4.	Frank Beamer (Virginia Tech)	69
5.	Mack Brown (North Carolina)	67
6.	Frank Howard (Clemson)	66

WINNINGEST COACHES IN THE ACC

■ Dabo Swinney surpassed Bobby Bowden for the most career victories by a head coach at an ACC program in 2024.

Most Wins Overall While Coaching at an ACC School

Rank	Coach (School)	Wins
1.	***Dabo Swinney (Clemson)***	***193***
2.	Bobby Bowden (Florida State)	173
3.	George Welsh (Virginia)	134
4.	Mack Brown (North Carolina)	113
	Frank Beamer (Virginia Tech)	113
6.	Bill Dooley (UNC & Wake Forest)	98
-	***Dave Doeren (NC State)***	***98***

CAREER WIN NUMBER 100 IN 2026

■ Two ACC head coaches reached the 100-career-win milestone this season, with Miami's Mario Cristobal reaching the mark with a 33-20 win over Wake Forest on September 18, while Louisville head coach Jeff Brohm earned his 100th career victory on November 7, defeating Georgia Tech, 44-17, in Atlanta.

ACC Coaches Reach Career Win No. 100 in 2026

Head Coach	Career Wins
Mario Cristobal (Miami)	106
Jeff Brohm (Louisville)	101

ELITE HEAD COACHES IN THE ACC

■ The ACC has eight active head coaches with a career winning percentage of at least .570.

ACC Coaches with Career Winning Pct. of .560 or Better

Coach (School)	Winning Pct.
Dabo Swinney (Clemson)	.772
Rhett Lashlee (SMU)	.703
James Franklin (Virginia Tech)	.677
Jeff Brohm (Louisville)	.631
Manny Diaz (Duke)	.630
Jake Dickert (Wake Forest)	.621
Pat Narduzzi (Pitt)	.570
Mario Cristobal (Miami)	.570

ACC X NFL

■ No conference blends college football and NFL experience quite like the ACC in 2026, with two former NFL head coaches now leading programs: Bill O'Brien (Boston College) and Bill Belichick (North Carolina).

■ Two other ACC head coaches, Tosh Lupoi (California) and Tavita Pritchard (Stanford), have also coached in the NFL, serving as position coaches at the professional level.

FIRST CAREER WIN FOR STANFORD'S PRITCHARD

■ Stanford first-year head coach Tavita Pritchard earned his first career victory as a head coach in his debut, leading Stanford to a 37-27 season-opening win over Hawai'i on Saturday, August 29.

■ His first victory as a head coach came on the same field where he began his collegiate playing and coaching careers. Pritchard previously spent 13 seasons on Stanford's coaching staff before serving three years as the Washington Commanders' quarterbacks coach.

FIRST CAREER WIN FOR CAL'S LUPOI

■ California head coach Tosh Lupoi earned his first career victory as a head coach with the Golden Bears' 21-18 road win over Syracuse in Saturday's ACC opener on September 12.

■ Lupoi's defense forced three interceptions, including a go-ahead 24-yard pick-six by Kingston Lopa in the fourth quarter, to secure the milestone victory.

THREE ACC PROGRAMS WITH NEW HEAD COACHES IN 2026

■ Tosh Lupoi, California — Lupoi returns to his alma mater as Cal's 35th head coach after four seasons as Oregon's defensive coordinator and linebackers coach. A former Cal player and assistant, he helped Alabama win two national championships and guided Oregon to a top-three national ranking in total and passing defense in 2025.

■ Tavita Pritchard, Stanford — Pritchard becomes Stanford's 37th head coach after three seasons as the Washington Commanders' quarterbacks coach. The former Cardinal quarterback and 2009 Stanford graduate helped guide Washington to the 2024 NFC Championship Game and mentored NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year Jayden Daniels.

■ James Franklin, Virginia Tech — Franklin arrives at Virginia Tech with a 128-60 career record and more than 30 years of collegiate coaching experience. He won 104 games at Penn State, led the Nittany Lions to the 2016 Big Ten Championship and seven top-12 CFP finishes in nine seasons, and previously guided Vanderbilt to three consecutive bowl appearances.

ACC HEAD COACHING RECORDS

Head Coach, School	Year	Overall Record	Pct.	while in the ACC School Year	Record	Pct.
Bill O'Brien, Boston College	5th	28-31	.475	3rd	13-22	.371
Tosh Lupoi, California	1st	3-7	.300	1st	3-7	.300
Dabo Swinney, Clemson	19th	193-57	.772	19th	193-57	.772
Manny Diaz, Duke	6th	46-27	.630	6th	46-27	.630
Mike Norvell, Florida State	*11th*	*79-54*	*.594*	*7th*	*41-39*	*.513*
Rick Stockstill, Florida State (interim)	19th	115-111	.509	1st	2-0	1.000
Brent Key, Georgia Tech	5th	30-27	.526	5th	30-27	.526
Jeff Brohm, Louisville	13th	101-59	.631	4th	35-15	.700
Mario Cristobal, Miami	16th	106-80	.570	5th	44-20	.688
Bill Belichick, North Carolina	2nd	9-13	.409	2nd	9-13	.409
Dave Doeren, NC State	*16th*	*121-78*	*.608*	*14th*	*98-74*	*.570*
Todd Goebbel, NC State (interim)	1st	1-2	.333	1st	1-2	.333
Pat Narduzzi, Pitt	12th	86-65	.570	12th	86-65	.570
Rhett Lashlee, SMU	5th	45-19	.703	3rd	27-10	.730
Tavita Pritchard, Stanford	1st	5-5	.500	1st	5-5	.500
Fran Brown, Syracuse	3rd	18-17	.514	3rd	18-17	.514
Tony Elliott, Virginia	5th	27-31	.466	5th	27-31	.466
James Franklin, Virginia Tech	16th	134-64	.677	1st	6-4	.600
Jake Dickert, Wake Forest	6th	41-25	.621	2nd	18-5	.783



ACC NOTES

ACC AVAILABILITY REPORTING

■ The ACC announced on July 22, 2025, two new policies to enhance the safety and well-being of ACC student-athletes beginning in the 2025-26 academic year.

(1) Institutional event security plans will limit access to the competition area in men's and women's basketball and football.

(2) The availability status of student-athletes will be reported before each conference game in baseball, men's and women's basketball and football.

■ For Conference football games, availability reports shall be submitted each day starting three nights before the game and on game day two hours before the scheduled game time. For basketball and baseball games, availability reports shall be submitted the night before the game and two hours before the scheduled game time. However, only one report is submitted on the second and subsequent days when a team plays a game on consecutive days.

■ In football, a report will be submitted three days before each Conference game (e.g., Wednesday before a Saturday game) with updates submitted two days before the game, the day before the game and on game day.

■ For each report submitted before game day, student-athletes will be designated as Available, Probable, Questionable, Doubtful 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.

** 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.*

TARGETING PENALTY

■ This change will be an experimental rule for 2026.

- Targeting fouls that are upheld will include a disqualification for the current game, and the rule will eliminate the carryover disqualification for fouls in the second half.
- If a player receives a second Targeting foul within the same season, disqualification for the remainder of the game and the first half of the team's next scheduled game within that season.
- If a player receives a third or subsequent Targeting foul within the same season, disqualification for the remainder of the game and that player will receive an automatic one-game suspension in their team's next scheduled game of that season.
- If a player receives a second and/or subsequent upheld targeting foul within the same season, the conference has the option to consult the national coordinator of football officials who would then facilitate a video review. Based on the review, if and only if the national coordinator concludes that it is clearly obvious the player should not have been disqualified on the first, second or any subsequent targeting foul, the suspension will be vacated. If the national coordinator supports the disqualification, the suspension for the next game will remain.
- Rationale: This continues the evolution of this important player safety rule. The committee believes the rule has had a profound positive impact on technique and removing the carryover aspect of second-half fouls is appropriate. Increasing the progressive penalty aspect is intended to underscore the continued importance of this rule.

ACC FOOTBALL OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION CONTINUES NO-SHAVE NOVEMBER FUNDRAISING EFFORT

■ The ACC Football Officials Association is continuing its voluntary No-Shave November campaign to raise awareness and financial support for cancer research and other causes meaningful to participating officiating crews.

■ The initiative has raised nearly $42,000 over its first two years, including $17,800 in 2024 and $24,100 in 2025.

■ Each ACC officiating crew selects a charitable organization to support, often in honor of family members or friends affected by cancer or serious illness.

■ Organizations selected include the American Cancer Society, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, The V Foundation for Cancer Research, Susan G. Komen, the Hirshberg Foundation, the Chad Tough DIPG Foundation and the Moyamoya Foundation.

■ Additional ACCFOA crews will announce their selected organizations later this month.

TARGETING TRACKER - ACC

Player (School)	First Targeting Foul	Second Targeting Foul	Sit-Out First Half
Myles Turpin (Wake Forest)	Sept. 3 vs. Akron	-	-
Chris Peal (Syracuse)	Sept. 5 vs. New Hampshire	-	-
AJ Tuitele (California) (2)	Sept. 5 vs. UCLA	Oct. 10 vs. Virginia Tech	Oct. 17 vs. Wake Forest
Kaleb Spencer (Virginia Tech)	Sept. 26 at Boston College	-	-
Daniel Harris (California)	Oct. 3 at UNLV	-	-
Cam Sidney (California)	Oct. 3 at UNLV	-	-
David Omopariola (Syracuse)	Oct. 10 at Virginia	-	-
Davaughn Patterson (Wake Forest)	Oct. 17 at California	-	-
Zechariah Poyser (Miami)	Oct. 17 vs. Florida State	-	-
Tyson Flowers (Virginia Tech)	Nov. 7 at SMU	-	-
Chris Jones (Florida State)	Nov. 13 at Pitt	-	-
Omar Staples (Stanford)	Nov. 14 at Virginia Tech	-	-



ACC SINGLE-SEASON RECORDS WATCH

TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS PER GAME

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	TDR	Yards	PG
1.	Brennan Armstrong	Jr.	2021	11	40	4,700	427.3
2.	Lamar Jackson, Louisville	Jr.	2017	13	45	5,261	404.7
3.	Lamar Jackson, Louisville	So.	2016	13	51	5,114	393.4
4.	Kyle McCord, Syracuse	Sr.	2024	13	37	4,714	362.6
5.	Drake Maye, North Carolina	Fr.	2022	14	45	5,019	358.5
6.	Philip Rivers, NC State	Sr.	2003	13	37	4,600	353.8
7.	Kenny Pickett, Pitt	Sr.	2021	13	47	4,560	350.8
8.	Deshaun Watson, Clemson	Jr.	2016	15	50	5,222	348.1
9.	Cameron Ward, Miami	Sr.	2024	13	44	4,517	347.5
10.	Deshaun Watson, Clemson	So.	2015	15	47	5,209	347.3
	Darian Mensah, Miami	***Sr.***	***2026***	***10***	***31***	***3,220***	***322.0***

RUSHING YARDAGE

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Att.	Avg.	Yards
1.	Andre Williams, Boston College	Sr.	2013	13	355	6.1	2,177
2.	Thomas Jones, Virginia	Sr.	1999	11	334	5.4	1,798
3.	James Conner, Pitt	So.	2014	13	298	5.9	1,765
	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	Jr.	2016	13	288	6.1	1,765
5.	Don McCauley, North Carolina	Sr.	1970	11	324	5.3	1,720
6.	David Wilson, Virginia Tech	Jr.	2011	14	290	5.9	1,709
7.	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	So.	2015	12	229	7.4	1,691
8.	AJ Dillon, Boston College	Jr.	2019	13	318	5.3	1,685
9.	Omarion Hampton, North Carolina	Jr.	2024	12	281	5.9	1,660
10.	Travis Etienne, Clemson	So.	2018	15	204	8.1	1,658
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***207***	***6.4***	***1,320***

RUSHING YARDS PER GAME

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Att.	Avg.	Yards	PG
1.	Andre Williams, Boston College	Sr.	2013	13	355	6.1	2,177	167.5
2.	Thomas Jones, Virginia	Sr.	1999	11	334	5.4	1,798	163.5
3.	Don McCauley, North Carolina	Sr.	1970	11	324	5.3	1,720	156.4
4.	LaMont Jordan, Maryland	Jr.	1999	11	266	6.1	1,632	148.4
5.	Terry Kirby, Virginia	Sr.	1992	8	175	6.5	1,130	141.3
6.	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	So.	2015	12	229	7.4	1,691	140.9
7.	Omarion Hampton, North Carolina	Jr.	2024	12	281	5.9	1,660	138.3
8.	James Conner, Pitt	So.	2014	13	298	5.9	1,765	135.8
	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	Jr.	2016	13	288	6.1	1,765	135.8
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***207***	***6.4***	***1,320***	***132.0***
10.	Israel Abanikanda, Pitt	Jr.	2022	11	239	5.9	1,431	130.1

RUSHING ATTEMPTS

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Avg.	Yards	Att.
1.	Andre Williams, Boston College	Sr.	2013	13	6.1	2,177	355
2.	Charlie Wysocki, Maryland	Jr.	1980	11	4.1	1,359	334
	Thomas Jones, Virginia	Sr.	1999	11	5.4	1,798	334
4.	Don McCauley, North Carolina	Sr.	1970	11	5.3	1,720	324
5.	AJ Dillon, Boston College	Jr.	2019	13	5.3	1,685	318
6.	Mike Voight, North Carolina	Sr.	1976	11	4.5	1,407	315
7.	Montel Harris, Boston College	So.	2009	13	4.7	1,458	308
8.	Ted Brown, NC State	Sr.	1978	11	4.5	1,350	302
9.	AJ Dillon, Boston College	Fr.	2017	13	5.3	1,589	300
10.	James Conner, Pitt	So.	2014	13	5.9	1,765	298
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***6.4***	***1,320***	***207***

RUSHING ATTEMPTS PER GAME

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Att.	Yards	Avg.
1.	Charlie Wysocki, Maryland	Jr.	1980	11	334	1,359	30.4
	Thomas Jones, Virginia	Sr.	1999	11	334	1,798	30.4
3.	Don McCauley, North Carolina	Sr.	1970	11	324	1,720	29.5
4.	Mike Voight, North Carolina	Sr.	1976	11	315	1,407	28.6
5.	Ted Brown, NC State	Sr.	1978	11	302	1,350	27.5
6.	Andre Williams, Boston College	Sr.	2013	13	355	2,177	27.3
7.	Israel Abanikanda, Pitt	Jr.	2022	11	239	1,431	27.2
8.	Steve Jones, Duke	Sr.	1972	11	287	1,236	26.1
9.	Steve Atkins, Maryland	Sr.	1978	11	283	1,261	25.7
10.	Robert Lavette, Georgia Tech	So.	1982	11	280	1,208	25.5
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***207***	***1,320***	***20.7***

YARDS PER RUSH ATTEMPT

(Minimum of 65.0 yards per game)

Pl.	Player, School	CL	Year	G	Att	Yds	Avg.
1.	Chet Hanulak, Maryland	Sr.	1953	10	77	753	9.78
2.	Ron Waller, Maryland	Sr.	1954	9	67	587	8.76
3.	Isaac Brown, Louisville	So.	2025	9	101	884	8.75
4.	Travis Etienne, Clemson	So.	2018	15	204	1,658	8.13
5.	Michael Carter, North Carolina	Sr.	2020	11	156	1,245	7.98
6.	Travis Etienne, Clemson	Jr.	2019	15	207	1,614	7.80
	Keyjuan Brown, Louisville	***Sr.***	***2026***	***9***	***78***	***599***	***7.70***
7.	Khalil Herbert, Virginia Tech	Sr.	2020	11	154	1,182	7.68
8.	Warrick Dunn, Florida State	Jr.	1995	11	166	1,242	7.48
	Darrin Hall, Pitt	Sr.	2018	14	153	1,144	7.48
10.	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	So.	2015	12	229	1,691	7.38
	Isaac Brown, Louisville	***Jr.***	***2026***	***10***	***111***	***804***	***7.24***

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Att.	Yards	TD
1.	James Conner, Pitt	So.	2014	13	298	1,765	26
2.	Travis Etienne, Clemson	So.	2018	15	204	1,658	24
3.	Ryan Williams, Virginia Tech	Fr.	2009	13	293	1,655	21
	Lamar Jackson, Louisville	So.	2016	13	260	1,571	21
5.	Tevin Washington, Georgia Tech	Sr.	2012	14	177	684	20
	Malik Cunningham, Louisville	Sr.	2021	13	173	1,031	20
	Israel Abanikanda, Pitt	Jr.	2022	11	239	1,431	20
8.	Don McCauley, North Carolina	Sr.	1970	11	324	1,720	19
	Robert Lavette, Georgia Tech	So.	1982	11	280	1,208	19
	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	So.	2015	12	229	1,691	19
	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	Jr.	2016	13	288	1,765	19
	Travis Etienne, Clemson	Jr.	2019	15	207	1,614	19
	Javonte Williams, North Carolina	Jr.	2020	11	157	1,140	19
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***207***	***1,320***	***19***

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS BY QUARTERBACK

Pl.	Player, School	Year	TD
1.	Lamar Jackson, Louisville	2016	21
2.	Tevin Washington, Georgia Tech	2012	20
	Malik Cunningham, Louisville	2021	20
4.	Joshua Nesbitt, Georgia Tech	2009	18
	Lamar Jackson, Louisville	2017	18
6.	TaQuon Marshall, Georgia Tech	2017	17
7.	Larry Russell, Wake Forest	1971	15
	Eric Dungey, Syracuse	2018	15
	Haynes King, Georgia Tech	2025	15
9.	Tevin Washington, Georgia Tech	2011	14
	Brandon Connette, Duke	2013	14
	Garrett Shrader, Syracuse	2021	14
	Ashton Daniels, Florida State	***2026***	***13***
	Lincoln Kienholz, Louisville	***2026***	***11***

PASSING EFFICIENCY

(Minimum of 10 completions per game)

Pl.	Player, School	CL	Year	Cm-Att	TD	Yards	Eff.
	Darian Mensah, Miami	***Sr.***	***2026***	***242-317***	***29***	***3,076***	***186.8***
1.	Jameis Winston, Florida State	Fr.	2013	257-384	40	4,057	184.8
2.	Sam Howell, North Carolina	So.	2020	237-348	30	3,586	179.1
3.	Joe Hamilton, Georgia Tech	Sr.	1999	203-305	29	3,060	175.0
	Kevin Jennings, SMU	***5th***	***2026***	***231-318***	***26***	***2,973***	***173.8***
4.	Cameron Ward, Miami	Sr.	2024	305-454	39	4,313	172.2
5.	Chris Kupec, North Carolina	Sr.	1974	104-150	12	1,474	170.8
6.	Philip Rivers, NC State	Sr.	2003	348-483	34	4,491	170.5
7.	Trevor Lawrence, Clemson	Jr.	2020	231-334	24	3,153	169.2
	Gio Lopez, Wake Forest	***Sr.***	***2026***	***167-253***	***19***	***2,377***	***168.9***
8.	Tajh Boyd, Clemson	Sr.	2013	283-413	34	3,851	168.7
9.	Trevor Lawrence, Clemson	So.	2019	268-407	36	3,665	166.7
10.	Tajh Boyd, Clemson	Jr.	2012	287-427	38	3,896	165.6
11.	Kenny Pickett, Pitt	Sr.	2021	334-497	42	4,319	165.3



ACC SINGLE-SEASON RECORDS WATCH

INTERCEPTION RATE

(Minimum of 200 pass attempts)

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	Att.	Yards	Int.	Pct.
1.	Matt Blundin, Virginia	Sr.	1991	224	1,902	0	0.00
2.	Russell Wilson, NC State	Fr.	2008	275	1,955	1	0.36
	Gio Lopez, Wake Forest	***Sr.***	***2026***	***253***	***2,377***	***1***	***0.40***
	Darian Mensah, Miami	***Sr.***	***2026***	***317***	***3,076***	***2***	***0.63***
3.	Haynes King, Georgia Tech	Jr.	2024	269	2,114	2	0.74
4.	Ian Book, Notre Dame	Sr.	2020	353	2,830	3	0.85
	Davis Warren, Stanford	***6th***	***2026***	***339***	***2,406***	***3***	***0.88***
5.	Drew Weatherford, Florida State	Jr.	2007	318	2,049	3	0.94
6.	Jordan Travis, Florida State	Sr.	2023	207	2,755	2	0.97
7.	Trevor Lawrence, Clemson	Fr.	2018	397	3,280	4	1.01
8.	Charlie Ward, Florida State	Sr.	1993	380	3,032	4	1.05
	Lincoln Kienholz, Louisville	***Sr.***	***2026***	***264***	***2,430***	***3***	***1.13***
9.	Devin Leary, NC State	So.	2021	431	3,433	5	1.16
10.	Darian Mensah, Duke	So.	2025	500	3,973	6	1.20

PASSING YARDS PER GAME

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Cmp-Att	Yards	PG
1.	Brennan Armstrong, Virginia	Jr.	2021	11	326-500	4,449	404.5
2.	Kyle McCord, Syracuse	Sr.	2024	13	391-592	4,779	367.6
3.	Anthony Dilweg, Duke	Sr.	1988	11	287-484	3,824	347.6
4.	Chris Weinke, Florida State	Sr.	2000	12	266-431	4,167	347.3
5.	Philip Rivers, NC State	Sr.	2003	13	348-483	4,491	345.5
6.	Kenny Pickett, Pitt	Sr.	2021	13	334-497	4,319	332.2
7.	Cameron Ward, Miami	Sr.	2024	13	305-454	4,313	331.8
8.	Matt Ryan, Boston College	Sr.	2007	14	388-654	4,507	321.9
9.	Scott Milanovich, Maryland	So.	1993	11	279-431	3,499	318.1
10.	Trevor Lawrence, Clemson	Jr.	2020	10	231-334	3,153	315.3
11.	Mike Glennon, NC State	Sr.	2012	13	330-564	4,031	310.1
	Darian Mensah, Miami	***Sr.***	***2026***	***10***	***242-317***	***3,076***	***307.6***

COMPLETION PERCENTAGE

(Minimum 150 attempts)

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	Cmp-Att	TD	Yards	Pct.
	Darian Mensah, Miami	***Sr.***	***2026***	***242-317***	***29***	***3,076***	***.763***
1.	Haynes King, Georgia Tech	Jr.	2024	196-269	14	2,114	.729
	Kevin Jennings, SMU	***5th***	***2026***	***231-318***	***26***	***2,973***	***.726***
2.	Riley Skinner, Wake Forest	So.	2007	236-326	12	2,204	.724
3.	Carson Beck, Miami	R-Sr.	2025	338-467	30	3,813	.724
4.	Philip Rivers, NC State	Sr.	2003	348-483	34	4,491	.721
5.	Haynes King, Georgia Tech	R-Sr.	2025	252-361	14	2,951	.698
6.	Matt Schaub, Virginia	Sr.	2003	281-403	18	2,952	.697
7.	Charlie Ward, Florida State	Sr.	1993	264-380	27	3,032	.695
	Ethan Grunkemeyer, Virginia Tech	***Sr.***	***2026***	***232-337***	***20***	***2,701***	***.695***
8.	Chris Kupec, North Carolina	Sr.	1974	104-150	12	1,474	.693
9.	Trevor Lawrence, Clemson	Jr.	2020	231-334	24	3,153	.692
10.	Matt Schaub, Virginia	Jr.	2002	288-418	28	2,976	.689

PASSING YARDS PER ATTEMPT

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	Cmp-Att	TD	Yards	Avg.
1.	Jameis Winston, Florida State	Fr.	2013	257-384	40	4,057	10.57
2.	Sam Howell, North Carolina	So.	2020	237-348	30	3,586	10.30
3.	Joe Hamilton, Georgia Tech	Sr.	1999	203-305	29	3,060	10.03
4.	Chris Kupec, North Carolina	Sr.	1974	104-150	12	1,474	9.83
	Darian Mensah, Miami	***Sr.***	***2026***	***242-317***	***29***	***3,076***	***9.70***
5.	Chris Weinke, Florida State	Sr.	2000	266-431	33	4,167	9.67
6.	Chris Rix, Florida State	Fr.	2001	165-286	24	2,734	9.56
7.	Tyrod Taylor, Virginia Tech	Jr.	2009	136-243	13	2,311	9.51
8.	Cameron Ward, Miami	Sr.	2024	305-454	39	4,313	9.50
9.	Trevor Lawrence, Clemson	Jr.	2020	231-334	24	3,153	9.44
10.	Shawn Moore, Virginia	Jr.	1989	125-221	18	2,078	9.40
	Gio Lopez, Wake Forest	***Sr.***	***2026***	***167-253***	***19***	***2,377***	***9.40***

TOUCHDOWN PASSES

Pl.	Player, School	CL	Year	G	Cmp-Att.	Yds	TDs
1.	Kenny Pickett, Pitt	Sr.	2021	13	334-497	4,319	42
2.	Deshaun Watson, Clemson	Jr.	2016	15	388-579	4,593	41
3.	Jameis Winston, Florida State	Fr.	2013	14	257-384	4,057	40
4.	Sam Hartman, Wake Forest	Jr.	2021	14	299-508	4,228	39
	Cameron Ward, Miami	Sr.	2024	13	305-454	4,313	39
6.	Sam Howell, North Carolina	Fr.	2019	13	259-422	3,641	38
	Sam Hartman, Wake Forest	Sr.	2022	12	270-428	3,701	38
	Drake Maye, North Carolina	Fr.	2022	14	342-517	4,321	38
9.	Tajh Boyd, Clemson	Jr.	2012	13	287-427	3,896	36
	Trevor Lawrence, Clemson	So.	2019	15	268-407	3,665	36
	Cade Klubnik, Clemson	Jr.	2024	14	308-486	3,639	36
12.	Deshaun Watson, Clemson	So.	2015	15	333-491	4,104	35
	Devin Leary, NC State	So.	2021	12	283-431	3,433	35
14.	Philip Rivers, NC State	Sr.	2003	13	348-483	4,491	34
	Tajh Boyd, Clemson	Sr.	2013	13	283-413	3,851	34
	Kyle McCord, Syracuse	Sr.	2024	13	391-592	4,779	34
	Darian Mensah, Duke	So.	2025	14	334-500	3,973	34
18.	Chris Weinke, Florida State	Sr.	2000	12	266-431	4,167	33
	Tajh Boyd, Clemson	So.	2011	14	298-499	3,828	33
20.	Danny Kanell, Florida State	Sr.	1995	11	257-402	2,957	32
21.	Matt Ryan, Boston College	Sr.	2007	14	388-654	4,507	31
	Russell Wilson, NC State	So.	2009	12	224-378	3,027	31
	Mike Glennon, NC State	Jr.	2011	13	283-453	3,054	31
	Mike Glennon, NC State	Sr.	2012	13	330-564	4,031	31
	Brennan Armstrong, Virginia	Jr.	2021	11	326-500	4,449	31
	Darian Mensah, Miami	***Sr.***	***2026***	***10***	***242-317***	***3,076***	***29***
	Kevin Jennings, SMU	***5th***	***2026***	***10***	***231-318***	***2,973***	***26***

RECEIVING YARDS PER GAME

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Rec.	TDs	Yards	PG
1.	Torry Holt, NC State	Sr.	1998	11	88	11	1,604	145.8
	Malachi Toney, Miami	***So.***	***2026***	***8***	***73***	***13***	***1,027***	***128.4***
2.	Amba Etta-Tawo, Syracuse	Sr.	2016	12	94	14	1,482	123.5
3.	Jermaine Lewis, Maryland	So.	1993	8	52	7	957	119.6
4.	Malik Washington, Virginia	Gr.	2023	12	110	9	1,426	118.8
5.	Jordan Addison, Pitt	So.	2021	14	100	17	1,593	113.8
6.	Marcus Badgett, Maryland	Sr.	1992	11	75	9	1,240	112.7
7.	Sammy Watkins, Clemson	Jr.	2013	13	101	12	1,460	112.6
8.	Steve Ishmael, Syracuse	Sr.	2017	12	105	7	1,347	112.3
9.	Marvin Minnis, Florida State	Sr.	2000	12	63	11	1,340	111.7
10.	Herman Moore, Virginia	Sr.	1990	11	54	13	1,190	108.2
	Umari Hatcher, Syracuse	***6th***	***2026***	***10***	***66***	***8***	***1,045***	***104.5***
	Carlos Hernandez, Wake Forest	***Sr.***	***2026***	***10***	***67***	***8***	***1,039***	***103.9***

RECEPTIONS PER GAME

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Rec.	Yards	TDs	PG
1.	Malik Washington, Virginia	Gr.	2023	12	110	1,426	9	9.17
	Malachi Toney, Miami	***So.***	***2026***	***8***	***73***	***1,027***	***13***	***9.13***
2.	Steve Ishmael, Syracuse	Sr.	2017	12	105	1,347	7	8.75
3.	Maurice Ffrench, Pitt	Sr.	2019	11	96	850	4	8.73
4.	Josh Downs, North Carolina	Jr.	2022	11	94	1,029	11	8.54
5.	Jacob De Jesus, California	R-Sr.	2025	13	108	1,030	6	8.31
6.	Torry Holt, NC State	Sr.	1998	11	88	1,604	11	8.00
7.	Michael Campanaro, Wake Forest	Jr.	2012	10	78	763	6	7.90
8.	Peter Warrick, Florida State	Sr.	1999	9	71	934	8	7.89
9.	Amba Etta-Tawo, Syracuse	Sr.	2016	12	94	1,482	14	7.83
10.	Sammy Watkins, Clemson	Jr.	2013	13	101	1,460	12	7.77
	Josh Downs, North Carolina	So.	2021	13	101	1,335	8	7.77



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TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Rec.	Yards	TD
1.	DeAndre Hopkins, Clemson	Jr.	2012	13	82	1,405	18
2.	Clarkston Hines, Duke	Sr.	1989	11	61	1,149	17
	Jordan Addison, Pitt	So.	2021	14	100	1,593	17
4.	Torry Holt, NC State	Jr.	1997	11	68	1,099	16
5.	Andre Cooper, Florida State	Jr.	1995	11	71	1,002	15
	Calvin Johnson, Georgia Tech	Jr.	2006	14	76	1,202	15
	Kelvin Benjamin, Florida State	Jr.	2013	14	54	1,011	15
	A.T. Perry, Wake Forest	Jr.	2021	14	71	1,293	15
9.	Amba Etta-Tawo, Syracuse	Sr.	2016	12	94	1,482	14
10.	Chris Castor, Duke	Sr.	1982	11	46	952	13
	Herman Moore, Virginia	Sr.	1990	11	54	1,190	13
	Koren Robinson, NC State	So.	2000	11	62	1,061	13
	Anquan Boldin, Florida State	Jr.	2002	14	65	1,011	13
	Leonard Hankerson, Miami	Sr.	2010	13	72	1,156	13
	Tee Higgins, Clemson	Jr.	2019	15	59	1,167	13
	Malachi Toney, Miami	***So.***	***2026***	***8***	***73***	***1,027***	***13***

RECEPTIONS BY RUNNING BACK

Pl.	Player, School	Year	Rec.
1.	Andre Callender, Boston College	2007	76
	Jaylen Samuels, NC State	2017	76
3.	Taquan Mizzell, Virginia	2015	75
4.	Roger Boone, Duke	1988	73
5.	Mike Grayson, Duke	1983	66
6.	LeQuint Allen, Syracuse	2024	64
7.	Alvin Pearman, Virginia	2003	63
8.	Roger Boone, Duke	1987	62
9.	Wali Lundy, Virginia	2002	58
10.	Michael Ramseur, Wake Forest	1985	54
11.	Ray Robinson, NC State	2001	52
	Taquan Mizzell, Virginia	2016	52
	Desmond Reid, Pitt	2024	52
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***2026***	***44***

RECEPTIONS BY TIGHT END

Pl.	Player, School	Year	Rec.
1.	Oronde Gadsden II, Syracuse	2024	73
2.	Heath Miller, Virginia	2003	70
3.	Jaylen Samuels, NC State	2015	65
4.	Eric Ebron, North Carolina	2013	62
5.	Oronde Gadsden II, Syracuse	2022	61
	Luke Reynolds, Virginia Tech	***2026***	***57***
6.	Hunter Long, Boston College	2020	57
7.	Jack Endries, California	2024	56
8.	Ryan Purvis, Boston College	2007	54
	Cam Serigne, Wake Forest	2014	54
10.	Vernon Davis, Maryland	2005	51
	Steve Young, Wake Forest	1977	51
	Phil Denfeld, Wake Forest	1981	51
	John Henry Mills, Wake Forest	1991	51
	Jelani Thurman, North Carolina	***2026***	***50***

RECEIVING YARDS BY TIGHT END

Pl.	Player, School	Year	Yds.
1.	Eric Ebron, North Carolina	2013	973
2.	Oronde Gadsden II, Syracuse	2022	969
3.	Oronde Gadsden II, Syracuse	2024	934
4.	Vernon Davis, Maryland	2005	871
5.	Heath Miller, Virginia	2003	835
6.	David Njoku, Miami	2016	698
7.	Bucky Hodges, Virginia Tech	2016	691
8.	Hunter Long, Boston College	2020	685
9.	Justin Joly, NC State	2024	661
10.	Bruce McGonnigal, Virginia	1989	634
11.	Eric Ebron, North Carolina	2012	625
	Jelani Thurman, North Carolina	***2026***	***597***
	Luke Reynolds, Virginia Tech	***2026***	***585***

TOUCHDOWNS

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Rush	Rec.	Ret.	TDs
1.	James Conner, Pitt	So.	2014	13	26	0	0	26
	Travis Etienne, Clemson	So.	2018	15	26	0	0	26
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***19***	***4***	***0***	***23***
3.	Travis Etienne, Clemson	Jr.	2019	15	19	4	0	23
4.	Ryan Williams, Virginia Tech	Fr.	2009	13	21	1	0	22
	Javonte Williams, North Carolina	Jr.	2020	11	19	3	0	22
6.	Don McCauley, North Carolina	Sr.	1970	11	19	2	0	21
	C. J. Spiller, Clemson	Sr.	2009	14	12	4	5	21
	Lamar Jackson, Louisville	So.	2016	13	21	0	0	21
	Israel Abanikanda, Pitt	Jr.	2022	11	20	1	0	21
10.	Tevin Washington, Georgia Tech	Sr.	2012	14	20	0	0	20
	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	So.	2015	12	19	1	0	20
	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	Jr.	2016	13	19	0	1	20
	James Conner, Pitt	Jr.	2016	13	16	0	4	20
	Malik Cunningham, Louisville	Sr.	2021	13	20	0	0	20
	LeQuint Allen, Syracuse	Jr.	2024	13	16	4	0	20

POINTS SCORED

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	TD	PAT	FG	Pts.
1.	Roberto Aguayo, Florida State	Fr.	2013	14	0	94	21	157
2.	James Conner, Pitt	So.	2014	13	26	0	0	156
	Travis Etienne, Clemson	So.	2018	15	26	0	0	156
4.	Andre Szmyt, Syracuse	Fr.	2018	13	0	61	30	151
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***23***	***0***	***0***	***140***
5.	Dustin Hopkins, Florida State	Sr.	2012	14	0	65	25	140
6.	Greg Huegel, Clemson	Fr.	2015	15	0	57	27	138
	Travis Etienne, Clemson	Jr.	2019	15	23	0	0	138
8.	Roberto Aguayo, Florida State	So.	2014	14	0	55	27	136
9.	Nick Sciba, Wake Forest	Sr.	2021	14	0	65	23	134
10.	Ryan Williams, Virginia Tech	Fr.	2009	13	22	0	0	132
	Javonte Williams, North Carolina	Jr.	2020	11	22	0	0	132

POINTS PER GAME

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	TDs	Pts	PG
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***23***	***140***	***14.0***
1.	Kelvin Bryant, North Carolina	So.	1981	8	18	108	13.5
2.	James Conner, Pitt	So.	2014	13	26	156	12.0
	Javonte Williams, North Carolina	Jr.	2020	11	22	132	12.0
4.	Andre Szmyt, Syracuse	Fr.	2018	13	0	151	11.6
	Israel Abanikanda, Pitt	Jr.	2022	11	21	128	11.6
6.	Don McCauley, North Carolina	Sr.	1970	11	21	126	11.5
7.	Giovani Bernard, North Carolina	So.	2012	10	19	114	11.4
8.	Roberto Aguayo, Florida State	Fr.	2013	14	0	157	11.2
9.	Brian Piccolo, Wake Forest	Sr.	1964	10	17	111	11.1
10.	Sebastian Janikowski, Florida State	Jr.	1999	11	0	116	10.6
	Nolan Hauser, Clemson	***Jr.***	***2026***	***10***	***0***	***102***	***10.2***

KICK SCORING

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	FG-Att	PAT	Pts
1.	Roberto Aguayo, Florida State	Fr.	2013	14	21-22	94-94	157
2.	Andre Szmyt, Syracuse	Fr.	2018	13	30-34	61-61	151
3.	Dustin Hopkins, Florida State	Sr.	2012	14	25-30	65-66	140
4.	Greg Huegel, Clemson	Fr.	2015	15	27-32	57-62	138
5.	Roberto Aguayo, Florida State	So.	2014	14	27-30	55-55	136
6.	Nick Sciba, Wake Forest	Sr.	2021	14	23-25	65-65	134
7.	Nick Weiler, North Carolina	Jr.	2015	14	20-23	67-67	127
8.	Nick Novak, Maryland	So.	2002	14	24-28	53-54	125
9.	Collin Rogers, SMU	Jr.	2024	14	24-33	52-52	124
10.	Sebastian Janikowski, Florida State	So.	1998	12	27-32	42-43	123
	Nolan Hauser, Clemson	***Jr.***	***2026***	***10***	***29-32***	***15-15***	***102***



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FIELD GOALS

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Att	Pct.	FG
1.	Andre Szmyt, Syracuse	Fr.	2018	13	34	.882	30
	Nolan Hauser, Clemson	***Jr.***	***2026***	***10***	***32***	***.906***	***29***
2.	Christopher Dunn, NC State	Sr.	2022	13	29	.966	28
3.	Sebastian Janikowski, Florida State	So.	1998	12	32	.844	27
	Gary Cismesia, Florida State	Sr.	2007	13	34	.794	27
	Roberto Aguayo, Florida State	So.	2014	14	30	.900	27
	Greg Huegel, Clemson	Fr.	2015	15	32	.844	27
7.	Ross Martin, Duke	Sr.	2015	13	30	.867	26
8.	Dustin Hopkins, Florida State	Sr.	2012	14	30	.833	25
	Michael Badgley, Miami	So.	2015	12	30	.833	25
	Aidan Birr, Georgia Tech	Jr.	2025	13	29	.862	25
11.	Jad Dean, Clemson	Jr.	2005	12	31	.774	24
	Nick Novak, Maryland	So.	2002	14	28	857	24
	Nick Novak, Maryland	Jr.	2003	13	32	.750	24
	Graham Gano, Florida State	Sr.	2008	11	26	.923	24
	Nick Sciba, Wake Forest	So.	2019	13	25	.960	24
	Collin Rogers, SMU	Jr.	2024	14	33	.727	24
	Will Bettridge, Virginia	Sr.	2025	14	30	.800	24

ALL-PURPOSE YARDAGE

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Plys	Avg	Yards
1.	C.J. Spiller, Clemson	Sr.	2009	14	283	9.5	2,680
2.	Sammy Watkins, Clemson	Fr.	2011	13	149	15.0	2,288
3.	David Wilson, Virginia Tech	Jr.	2011	14	334	6.8	2,253
	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	Jr.	2016	13	321	7.0	2,253
5.	Torrey Smith, Maryland	So.	2009	12	123	17.8	2,192
6.	Andre Williams, Boston College	Sr.	2013	13	355	6.1	2,177
7.	Travis Etienne, Clemson	Jr.	2019	15	249	8.7	2,174
8.	Quadree Henderson, Pitt	So.	2016	13	102	20.4	2,083
9.	Duke Johnson, Miami	Jr.	2014	13	280	7.4	2,073
10.	Duke Johnson, Miami	Fr.	2012	12	193	10.8	2,060
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***251***	***6.8***	***1,719***

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS PER GAME

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Plys	Avg	Yards
1.	Giovani Bernard, North Carolina	So.	2012	10	247	1,981	198.1
2.	C.J. Spiller, Clemson	Sr.	2009	14	283	2,680	191.4
3.	Frank Quayle, Virginia	Sr.	1968	10	217	1,869	186.9
4.	Thomas Jones, Virginia	Sr.	1999	11	358	2,054	186.7
5.	Don McCauley, North Carolina	Sr.	1970	11	342	2,021	183.7
6.	Torrey Smith, Maryland	So.	2009	12	123	2,192	182.7
7.	Torry Holt, NC State	Sr.	1998	11	114	1,979	179.9
8.	Don McCauley, North Carolina	Jr.	1969	10	235	1,770	177.0
9.	Sammy Watkins, Clemson	Fr.	2011	13	149	2,228	176.0
10.	Dalvin Cook, Florida State	Jr.	2016	13	321	2,253	173.3
	Nate Sheppard, Duke	***So.***	***2026***	***10***	***251***	***1,719***	***171.9***

PUNT RETURN AVERAGE

(Minimum of one return per game)

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	Rt.	TD	Avg	Yards
	Que'Sean Brown, Virginia Tech	***Sr.***	***2026***	***12***	***0***	***282***	***23.5***
1.	Bobby Bryant, South Carolina	Sr.	1966	11	2	242	22.0
2.	Ryan Switzer, North Carolina	Fr.	2013	24	5	502	20.9
3.	Fred Coombs, NC State	Sr.	1967	22	2	434	19.7
4.	Ken Schroy, Maryland	Sr.	1974	11	0	206	18.7
5.	Greg Reid, Florida State	Fr.	2009	21	1	387	18.4
6.	Caullin Lacy, Louisville	R-Sr.	2025	25	2	454	18.2
7.	Brisly Estime, Syracuse	Jr.	2015	15	2	272	18.1
	Tony Logan, Maryland	Jr.	2010	31	2	560	18.1
9.	Darrell Blackman, NC State	Fr.	2004	12	1	214	17.8
10.	Brisly Estime, Syracuse	Sr.	2016	16	0	283	17.7
11.	Willie Reid, Florida State	Sr.	2005	31	3	541	17.5

PUNTING AVERAGE

Pl.	Player, School	Cl.	Year	G	Punts	Yards	Avg.
	Daniel Sparks, Virginia	***7th***	***2026***	***10***	***43***	***2,175***	***50.6***
1.	Alex Mastromanno, Florida State	Sr.	2024	12	55	2,710	49.3
2.	Pressley Harvin III, Georgia Tech	Sr.	2020	9	45	2,161	48.0
3.	Marshall Nichols, Georgia Tech	Sr.	2025	13	34	1,629	47.9
4.	Brian Schmitz, North Carolina	Sr.	1999	11	74	3,538	47.8
5.	Trenton Gill, NC State	So.	2019	12	56	2,663	47.6
6.	Ryan Plackemeier, Wake Forest	Sr.	2005	11	67	3,165	47.2
	Lou Hedley, Miami	Jr.	2020	11	49	2,311	47.2
	Daniel Sparks, Virginia	Sr.	2025	14	37	1,745	47.2
9.	Pat O'Donnell, Miami	Sr.	2013	13	53	2,498	47.1
	Jack Stonehouse, Syracuse	R-Sr.	2025	12	59	2,780	47.1
11.	Shawn Powell, Florida State	Sr.	2011	13	57	2,681	47.0
12.	Dom Maggio, Wake Forest	Sr.	2019	13	74	3,464	46.8
	Ben Kiernan, North Carolina	Sr.	2022	14	48	2,245	46.8
14.	Porter Wilson, Duke	Sr.	2023	13	55	2,519	46.6
15.	Oscar Bradburn, Virginia Tech	Jr.	2019	12	53	2,467	46.5

INTERCEPTIONS

Pl.	Player, School	Year	TDs	Ints
1.	Gerod Holliman, Louisville	2014	1	14
2.	David Amerson, NC State	2011	2	13
3.	Dre Bly, North Carolina	1996	1	11
4.	Bob Sullivan, Maryland	1965	0	10
5.	Keith McMeans, Virginia	1987	0	9
	Willie Clay, Georgia Tech	1991	1	9
	Jayron Hosley, Virginia Tech	2010	0	9
8.	Tom Brown, Maryland	1961	0	8
	Bo Davies, South Carolina	1970	0	8
	Lou Angelo, North Carolina	1972	0	8
	Kevin Cook, Virginia	1987	0	8
	Robert O'Neal, Clemson	1989	0	8
	Ronde Barber, Virginia	1994	0	8
	Justin Miller, Clemson	2002	0	8
	Jamie Silva, Boston College	2007	1	8
	Alphonso Smith, Wake Forest	2007	3	8
	DeAndre McDaniel, Clemson	2009	1	8
	Anthony Harris, Virginia	2013	0	8
	Tarvarus McFadden, Florida State	2016	0	8
	Kaleb Beasley, Louisville	***2026***	***0***	***5***
	Kingston Lopa, California	***2026***	***1***	***5***
	Elliot Washington II, Clemson	***2026***	***0***	***5***



ACC NETWORK NOTES

YEAR TWO OF THE ACC'S ENHANCED REPLAY ACCESS

■ The ACC will expand its Enhanced Replay Access in 2026, giving audiences even more opportunities to hear real-time replay discussions during more games across ACC football.

■ The initiative builds on its 2025 launch, when viewers heard live discussions among the Referee, stadium replay official and ACC Collaborative Instant Replay Official in Charlotte.

■ After featuring select Friday night and primetime Saturday games in 2025, Enhanced Replay Access will expand to more games in 2026.

■ ACC Enhanced Replay Access broadcasts are limited to games that are both officiated by ACC crews and carried on ACC-controlled linear television platforms.

Games with Enhanced Replay Access for Weeks 0-9 *

Date	Game (Network)
Saturday, 8/29	NC State at Virginia (ESPN)
Saturday, 8/29	NMSU at Florida State (The CW)
Thursday, 9/3	Colorado at Georgia Tech (ESPN)
Friday, 9/4	Miami at Stanford (ESPN)
Saturday, 9/5	Miami (OH) at Pitt (The CW)
Saturday, 9/5	VMI at Virginia Tech (ACCN)
Monday, 9/7	SMU at Florida State (ESPN)
Thursday, 9/10	Florida A&M at Miami (ACCN)
Friday, 9/11	Richmond at NC State (ESPNU)
Friday, 9/11	Villanova at Louisville (ACCN)
Saturday, 9/12	ETSU at North Carolina (ACCN)
Saturday, 9/12	California at Syracuse (ACCN)
Saturday, 9/12	Old Dominion at Virginia Tech (The CW)
Saturday, 9/12	Tennessee at Georgia Tech (ESPN)
Saturday, 9/12	Georgia Southern at Clemson (ACCN)
Thursday, 9/17	Syracuse at Pitt (ESPN)
Friday, 9/18	Miami at Wake Forest (ESPN)
Saturday, 9/19	North Carolina at Clemson (ESPN)
Saturday, 9/19	Wagner at California (ACCN)
Saturday, 9/19	Mercer at Georgia Tech (ACCN)
Saturday, 9/19	SMU at Louisville (ESPN2)
Saturday, 9/19	Stanford at Duke (The CW)
Friday, 9/25	Clemson at California (ESPN)
Saturday, 9/26	Wake Forest at Louisville (ESPN)
Saturday, 9/26	Virginia Tech at Boston College (ACCN)
Saturday, 9/26	C. Arkansas at Florida State (ACCN)
Saturday, 9/26	Delaware at Virginia (ACCN)
Saturday, 9/26	Central Michigan at Miami (The CW)
Saturday, 9/26	App State at NC State (ESPNU)
Saturday, 9/26	Georgia Tech at Stanford (ESPN)
Friday, 10/2	Pitt at Virginia Tech (ESPN)
Saturday, 10/3	Stanford at Wake Forest (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/3	Notre Dame at North Carolina (ESPN)
Saturday, 10/3	Boston College at SMU (The CW)
Saturday, 10/3	Louisville at NC State (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/3	Virginia at Florida State (ESPN2)
Saturday, 10/3	Miami at Clemson (ABC)
Friday, 10/9	Florida State at Louisville (ESPN)
Saturday, 10/10	Wake Forest at NC State (The CW)
Saturday, 10/10	North Carolina at Pitt (ESPN)
Saturday, 10/10	Duke at Georgia Tech (ESPN2)
Saturday, 10/10	Virginia Tech at California (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/10	Syracuse at Virginia (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/17	Pitt at Boston College (ESPN2)
Saturday, 10/17	Charleston So. at Clemson (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/17	Virginia at SMU (The CW)
Saturday, 10/17	North Carolina at Duke (ESPN2)
Saturday, 10/17	Georgia Tech at Virginia Tech (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/17	Florida State at Miami (ESPN)
Saturday, 10/17	Louisville at Syracuse (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/17	Wake Forest at California (ESPN2)
Friday, 10/23	Duke at Virginia (ESPN)
Friday, 10/23	NC State at Stanford (ESPN)
Saturday, 10/24	California at SMU (The CW)
Saturday, 10/24	Pitt at Miami (ESPN)
Saturday, 10/24	Boston College at Georgia Tech (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/24	Virginia Tech at Clemson (ESPN)
Saturday, 10/24	Syracuse at North Carolina (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/31	SMU at Syracuse (ESPN2)
Saturday, 10/31	California at NC State (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/31	Boston College at Duke (The CW)
Saturday, 10/31	Stanford at Louisville (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/31	Virginia at Wake Forest (ESPN2)
Saturday, 10/31	Clemson at Florida State (ACCN)
Saturday, 10/31	Miami at North Carolina (ABC)
Saturday, 10/31	Georgia Tech at Pitt (ESPN2)
Friday, 11/6	Virginia Tech at SMU (ESPN)
Saturday, 11/7	Clemson at Syracuse (ESPN2)
Saturday, 11/7	Florida State at Boston College (ACCN)
Saturday, 11/7	Merrimack at Wake Forest (ACCN)
Saturday, 11/7	Louisville at Georgia Tech (ACCN)
Friday, 11/13	Florida State at Pitt (ESPN)
Saturday, 11/14	Wake Forest at SMU (ESPN)
Saturday, 11/14	Syracuse at NC State (ACCN)
Saturday, 11/14	Duke at Miami (ABC)
Saturday, 11/14	Georgia Tech at Clemson (The CW)
Saturday, 11/14	California at Virginia (ACCN)
Saturday, 11/14	Louisville at North Carolina (ESPN2)
Saturday, 11/14	Stanford at Virginia Tech (ACCN)

Games with Enhanced Replay Access for Week 12 *

Date	Game (Network)
Friday, 11/20	Clemson at Duke (ESPN)
Saturday, 11/21	Syracuse at Boston College (ACCN)
Saturday, 11/21	Wake Forest at Georgia Tech (ESPN)
Saturday, 11/21	North Carolina at Virginia (The CW)
Saturday, 11/21	NC State at Florida State (ACCN)
Saturday, 11/21	Virginia Tech at Miami (ESPN)
Saturday, 11/21	Stanford at California (ACCN)
Saturday, 11/21	Pitt at Louisville (ESPN2)

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ACC NETWORK'S ACC HUDDLE RETURNS TO CAMPUSES

■ For the second straight season, *ACC Huddle* Powered by United States Air Force will again originate live from the site of the conference's biggest matchup each weekend. The traveling studio show airs Saturdays from 10 a.m.–noon ET on ACC Network and is open to fans at every campus stop.

ACC Huddle Stops in 2026

Week	Location	Game
Week 0	Charlottesville, Va.	NC State at Virginia
Week 1	Tallahassee, Fla.	SMU at Florida State
Week 2	Atlanta, Ga.	Tennessee at Georgia Tech
Week 3	Clemson, S.C.	North Carolina at Clemson
Week 4	Louisville, Ky.	Wake Forest at Louisville
Week 5	Clemson, S.C.	Miami at Clemson
Week 6	Pittsburgh, Pa.	North Carolina at Pitt
Week 7	Miami, Fla.	Florida State at Miami
Week 8	Miami, Fla.	Pitt at Miami
Week 9	Winston-Salem, N.C.	Virginia at Wake Forest
Week 10	Syracuse, N.Y.	Clemson at Syracuse
Week 11	Dallas, Texas	Wake Forest at SMU
Week 12	***Miami, Fla.***	***Virginia Tech at Miami***

■ Beginning in Week 4, *ACC Huddle* Powered by United States Air Force destinations will be determined on a week-to-week basis.



ACC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Quarterback

Aug. 31 ..... Beau Pribula, QB, Virginia
Sept. 8 ..... Mason Heintschel, QB, Pitt
Sept. 14 ..... Gio Lopez, QB, Wake Forest
Sept. 21 ..... Darian Mensah, QB, Miami
Sept. 28 ..... Davis Warren, QB, Stanford
Oct. 5..... Ashton Daniels, QB, Florida State
Oct. 12..... Gio Lopez, QB, Wake Forest
Oct. 19..... Ashton Daniels, QB, Florida State
..... Gio Lopez, QB, Wake Forest
Oct. 26..... Darian Mensah, QB, Miami
Nov. 2..... Billy Edwards Jr., QB, North Carolina
Nov. 9..... Kevin Jennings, QB, SMU
Nov. 16 ..... Darian Mensah, QB, Miami
Nov. 23.....
Nov. 30.....

Offensive Lineman

Aug. 31 .....Monroe Mills, OT, Virginia
Sept. 8 ..... PJ Williams, OL, SMU
Sept. 14 .....Nick Del Grande, LT, Duke
Sept. 21 ..... Eryx Daugherty, OL, Louisville
Sept. 28 ..... Teague Andersen, C, NC State
Oct. 5.....André Otto, LG, Florida State
Oct. 12.....Lance Robinson, OL, Louisville
Oct. 19..... Clinton Richard, OL, Wake Forest
Oct. 26 ...Veguer Jean-Jumeau, OL, Boston College
Nov. 2.....Johnnie Brown III, OL, Louisville
.....Will Way, OL, Wake Forest
Nov. 9.....Xavier Chaplin, LT, Florida State
Nov. 16.....Will Way, OL, Wake Forest
Nov. 23.....
Nov. 30.....

Defensive Back

Aug. 31 .....Brandyn Hillman, S, Virginia
Sept. 8 ..... Jimmy Wyrick, S, SMU
Sept. 14 .....Kingston Lopa, DB, California
Sept. 21 .....Kaleb Beasley, DB, Louisville
Sept. 28 .....Elliot Washington II, CB, Clemson
Oct. 5.....Jarvis Lee, S, SMU
Oct. 12.....Tre Miller, DB, North Carolina
Oct. 19.....Carter Davis, DB, Boston College
Oct. 26..... Charlie Comella, CB, Boston College
Nov. 2.....Jerome Carter III, S, Clemson
Nov. 9..... Ashton Hampton, CB, Clemson
Nov. 16.....Charlie Eckhardt, S, Stanford
Nov. 23.....
Nov. 30.....

Running Back

Aug. 31 ..... Micah Ford, RB, Stanford
Sept. 8 ..... Nate Sheppard, RB, Duke
Sept. 14 ..... Nate Sheppard, RB, Duke
Sept. 21 .....KeyJuan Brown, RB, Louisville
Sept. 28 .... Jeffrey Overton Jr., RB, Virginia Tech
Oct. 5..... Tylik Hill, RB, Syracuse
Oct. 12..... Isaac Brown, RB, Louisville
Oct. 19..... Micah Ford, RB, Stanford
Oct. 26...Bo MacCormack III, RB, Boston College
Nov. 2..... Nate Sheppard, RB, Duke
Nov. 9..... Nate Sheppard, RB, Duke
Nov. 16..... Nate Sheppard, RB, Duke
..... Micah Ford, RB, Stanford
Nov. 23.....
Nov. 30.....

Defensive Lineman

Aug. 31 ..... Xavier Lewis, DL, North Carolina
Sept. 8 .....Bryce Davis, DE, Duke
Sept. 14 ..... Mylachi Williams, DE, Virginia Tech
Sept. 21 ..... Will Heldt, DE, Clemson
..... Kevin O'Connor, DE, Duke
Sept. 28 .....Gabe Kirschke, DL, Wake Forest
Oct. 5..... Marques White, DE, SMU
Oct. 12..... Xavier Lewis, DL, North Carolina
Oct. 19.....Tyler Thompson, DL, Louisville
Oct. 26..... Will Heldt, DE, Clemson
Nov. 2..... Marquise Lightfoot, DL, Miami
Nov. 9..... Marques White, DE, SMU
Nov. 16.....Tunmise Adeleye, DE, Syracuse
Nov. 23.....
Nov. 30.....

Specialist

Aug. 31 ..... Will Bettridge, K, Virginia
Sept. 8 .....Rahkeem Smith, WR, Georgia Tech
Sept. 14 ..... Nolan Hauser, K, Clemson
Sept. 21 ..... Nolan Hauser, K, Clemson
Sept. 28 ..... Bryant Wesco Jr., WR/PR, Clemson
Oct. 5... Jaden Jefferson, Fr., WR, North Carolina
Oct. 12.....Daniel Sparks, P, Virginia
Oct. 19..... Nolan Hauser, K, Clemson
Oct. 26..... Nolan Hauser, K, Clemson
Nov. 2..... Nolan Hauser, K, Clemson
Nov. 9..... Andrew Pellicciotta, S/RS, Duke
Nov. 16.....Emmet Kenney, K, Stanford
Nov. 23.....
Nov. 30.....

Offensive Receiver

Aug. 31 ...Samuel Singleton Jr., RB, Florida State
Sept. 8 .....Malachi Toney, WR, Miami
Sept. 14 .....Luke Reynolds, TE, Virginia Tech
Sept. 21 ..... Keenan Jackson, WR, NC State
Sept. 28 .....Carlos Hernandez, WR, Wake Forest
Oct. 5.....Umari Hatcher, WR, Syracuse
Oct. 12..... Jack Foley, WR, Wake Forest
Oct. 19.....Umari Hatcher, WR, Syracuse
Oct. 26.....Malachi Toney, WR, Miami
Nov. 2..... Tre Richardson, WR, Louisville
Nov. 9.....Yamir Knight, WR, SMU
Nov. 16.....Calvin Russell III, WR, Syracuse
Nov. 23.....
Nov. 30.....

Linebacker

Aug. 31 .....Derek McDonald, LB, North Carolina
Sept. 8 ..... Vincent Firenze, LB, Wake Forest
Sept. 14 .....Anthony Palano, LB, Boston College
Sept. 21 .....Alex Sanford Jr., LB, Pitt
Sept. 28 .....Matt Rose, LB, Stanford
Oct. 5..... Popo Aguirre, LB, NC State
Oct. 12..... Vincent Firenze, LB, Wake Forest
Oct. 19..... Peyton Seelmann, LB, North Carolina
Oct. 26.....Derek McDonald, LB, North Carolina
Nov. 2..... Popo Aguirre, LB, NC State
Nov. 9..Timir Hickman-Collins, LB, North Carolina
Nov. 16..... Kam Robinson, LB, Virginia
Nov. 23.....
Nov. 30.....

Rookie

Aug. 31 .....Atticus Joseph, WR, Stanford
Sept. 8 ..... Shavane Anderson Jr., RB, Syracuse
Sept. 14 .....Javian Mallory, RB, Miami
Sept. 21 ..... Damon Ferguson Jr., RB, Pitt
Sept. 28 ..... Demetrice McCray, WR, Pitt
Oct. 5..... Taimane Purcell, TE, California
Oct. 12.....Braylon Outlaw, LB, Georgia Tech
Oct. 19.....Dominick Barry, TE, Wake Forest
.....Javian Mallory, RB, Miami
Oct. 26.....Calvin Russell III, WR, Syracuse
Nov. 2..... Damon Ferguson Jr., RB, Pitt
Nov. 9..... Amari Thomas, RB, Florida State
Nov. 16.....Calvin Russell III, WR, Syracuse
Nov. 23.....
Nov. 30.....



ACC FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME TIEBREAKER POLICY

ACC FOOTBALL TIEBREAKER POLICY

■ The Atlantic Coast Conference Football Champion will be decided by a game (the "ACC Football Championship Game") between the Top Two Teams.

■ The Top Two Teams shall be the two ACC teams with the highest percentage of Conference wins during all regular-season Conference competition and/or team(s) which played an alternate number of Conference games and have either the same number of Conference wins or the same number of Conference losses as the team(s) with the highest percentage of Conference wins.

■ To be among the Top Two Teams, a team must be eligible to compete in the postseason. Conference games against otherwise postseason ineligible teams will always be counted in the league standings and in application of the tiebreaker policy.

■ If three (3) or more 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 shall be administered to determine the representative(s) in the ACC Football Championship Game.

ACC Football Tiebreaker

1. Defining Tied Teams:
   a. Step 1: Identify the team or teams with the best Conference win percentage; plus,
   b. Step 2: Any team or teams which played an alternate number of Conference games and have either the same number of Conference wins or the same number of Conference losses as the team(s) identified in Step 1.
   c. No other teams may be defined as Tied Teams.

2. Once the Tied Teams have been identified:
   a. In the event of a tie involving teams which played an alternate number of Conference games, all ties will be broken starting with the highest win percentage, working downward.
   1. Two-Team Tie
      a. The tied team which defeated the other tied team in head-to-head Conference competition.
      b. The tied team with the better ranking in the Team Success Ranking provided by SportSource Analytics following the conclusion of all regular-season games.
      c. The participant shall be chosen by a draw as administered by the Commissioner or Commissioner's designee.
   2. Three (or More) Team Tie
      a. If all the Tied Teams are common opponents:
         i. The Tied Team with the best record among the Tied Teams; if necessary, the tiebreaker will restart, including the definition of tied teams.
         ii. The Tied Team with the best ranking in the Team Success Ranking provided by SportSource Analytics following the conclusion of regular-season games; if necessary, the tiebreaker will restart, including the definition of tied teams.
         iii. The participant shall be chosen by a draw as administered by the Commissioner or Commissioner's designee; if necessary, the tiebreaker will restart, including the definition of tied teams.
      b. If all the Tied Teams are not common opponents:
         i. The Tied Team which defeated each of the other Tied Teams is placed into the Championship Game and removed from the tie. The tied team which lost to each of the other Tied Teams is removed from the tie; if necessary, the tiebreaker will restart, including the definition of tied teams.
         ii. The Tied Team with the best ranking in the Team Success Ranking provided by SportSource Analytics following the conclusion of regular-season games is placed into the Championship Game and removed from the tie; if necessary, the tiebreaker will restart, including the definition of tied teams.
         iii. The participant shall be chosen by a draw as administered by the Commissioner or Commissioner's designee; if necessary, the tiebreaker will restart, including the definition of tied teams.





ACC FOOTBALL COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

WEEK 0

Saturday, August 29

Aer Lingus College Football Classic - Dublin, Ireland

North Carolina 15 vs. TCU 10 ..... Noon ET (ESPN)
NC State 8 at Virginia 34 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Hawai'i 27 at Stanford 37 ..... 7 p.m. ET (ACCN)
New Mexico State 17 at Florida State 34 ..... 7 p.m. ET (The CW)

WEEK 1

Thursday, September 3

Akron 16 at Wake Forest 38 ..... 7 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Colorado 14 at Georgia Tech 13 ..... 8 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Friday, September 4

#7 Miami 45 at Stanford 6 * ..... 9 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Saturday, September 5

New Hampshire 3 at Syracuse 66 ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
Miami (OH) 14 at Pitt 59 ..... 12:30 p.m. ET (The CW)
Tulane 3 at Duke 17 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Boston College 15 at Cincinnati 34 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (FOX)
Clemson 10 at #11 LSU 51 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ABC)
VMI 3 at Virginia Tech 73 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
UCLA 45 at California 24 ..... 10:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Sunday, September 6

Liberty Mutual Music City Kickoff - Nashville, Tennessee

#24 Louisville 38 vs. #9 Ole Miss 41 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ABC)

Monday, September 7

#19 SMU 27 at Florida State 24 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Open: North Carolina, NC State, Virginia

WEEK 2

Thursday, September 10

Florida A&M 7 at #7 Miami 77 ..... 8 p.m. ET (ACCN)

Friday, September 11

Richmond 0 at NC State 73 ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPNU)
Villanova 13 at #24 Louisville 59 ..... 7 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Norfolk State 3 at #25 Virginia 59 ..... 7 p.m. ET (ACCNX)
Rutgers 21 at Boston College 28 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)

Saturday, September 12

Wake Forest 38 at Purdue 36 (2OT) ..... Noon ET (FS1)
ETSU 3 at North Carolina 35 ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
Old Dominion 21 at Virginia Tech 44 ..... Noon ET (The CW)
California 21 at Syracuse 18 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
UCF 7 at Pitt 12 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Duke 31 at Illinois 27 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (FS1)
UC Davis 10 at #17 SMU 56 ..... 4 p.m. ET (ACCNX)
#18 Tennessee 45 at Georgia Tech 24 ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Georgia Southern 7 at Clemson 22 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)

Open: Florida State, Stanford

WEEK 3

Thursday, September 17

Syracuse 13 at Pitt 27 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Friday, September 18

#5 Miami 33 at Wake Forest 20 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Saturday, September 19

North Carolina 20 at Clemson 28 * ..... Noon ET (ESPN)
Mercer 11 at Georgia Tech 44 ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
NC State 31 at Vanderbilt 35 ..... 12:45 p.m. ET (SECN)
Maine 16 at Boston College 22 ..... 2 p.m. ET (ACCNX)
Florida State 36 at #10 Alabama 50 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ABC)
#16 SMU 31 at #23 Louisville 41 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Wagner 7 at California 49 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Stanford 7 at Duke 35 * ..... 4 p.m. ET (The CW)
Virginia Tech 35 at Maryland 26 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (FS1)

Duke's Mayo Classic - Charlotte, North Carolina

West Virginia 38 vs. #25 Virginia 27 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)

WEEK 4

Friday, September 25

Clemson 24 at California 10 * ..... 10:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Saturday, September 26

Virginia Tech 21 at Boston College 14 * ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
Wake Forest 30 at #16 Louisville 27 * ..... Noon ET (ESPN)
Bucknell 0 at Pitt 59 ..... Noon ET (ACCNX)
Central Arkansas 7 at Florida State 34 ..... 3 p.m. ET (ACCN)
William & Mary 7 at Duke 62 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCNX)
Delaware 3 at Virginia 42 ..... 6 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Central Michigan 3 at #6 Miami 52 ..... 6:30 p.m. ET (The CW)
App State 31 at NC State 41 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ESPNU)
Missouri State 24 at #22 SMU 34 ..... 9 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Georgia Tech 27 at Stanford 34 * ..... 10:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Open: North Carolina, Syracuse

WEEK 5

Friday, October 2

Pitt 35 at Virginia Tech 33 * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Saturday, October 3

#3 Notre Dame 37 at North Carolina 26 ..... Noon ET (ESPN)
Stanford 3 at Wake Forest 57 * ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
Boston College 16 at #21 SMU 25 * ..... Noon ET (The CW)
Syracuse 42 at UConn 41 (2OT) ..... Noon ET (CBSSN)
Virginia 7 at Florida State 38 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Louisville 28 at NC State 31 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
California 31 at UNLV 39 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (CBSSN)
#4 Miami 41 at Clemson 13 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ABC)

Open: Duke, Georgia Tech



ACC FOOTBALL COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

WEEK 6

Friday, October 9

Florida State 20 at Louisville 44 * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Saturday, October 10

North Carolina 21 at #25 Pitt 17 * ..... Noon ET (ESPN)
Wake Forest 38 at NC State 14 * ..... Noon ET (The CW)
Duke 25 at Georgia Tech 28 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Virginia Tech 20 at California 25 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Stanford 7 at #3 Notre Dame 58 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (NBC/Peacock)
Syracuse 25 at Virginia 28 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Open: Boston College, Clemson, Miami, SMU

WEEK 7

Saturday, October 17

Pitt 21 at Boston College 27 * ..... Noon ET (ESPN2)
Virginia 13 at #24 SMU 23 * ..... Noon ET (The CW)
Charleston Southern 0 at Clemson 37 ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
North Carolina 24 at Duke 20 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Georgia Tech 24 at Virginia Tech 34 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Florida State 35 at #3 Miami 43 (2OT) * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Louisville 34 at Syracuse 26 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Elon 7 at Stanford 34 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCNX)
#21 Wake Forest 41 at California 7 * ..... 10:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Open: NC State

WEEK 8

Friday, October 23

Duke 19 at Virginia 16 * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN)
NC State 28 at Stanford 31 * ..... 10:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Saturday, October 24

Pitt 23 at #1 Miami 52 * ..... Noon ET (ESPN)
California 20 at #23 SMU 59 * ..... Noon ET (The CW)
Boston College 49 at Georgia Tech 27 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Virginia Tech 20 at Clemson 16 * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Syracuse 31 at North Carolina 30 * (OT) ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Open: Florida State, Louisville, Wake Forest

WEEK 9

Saturday, October 31

#19 SMU 27 at Syracuse 30 * ..... Noon ET (ESPN2)
California 10 at NC State 31 * ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
Boston College 2 at Duke 47 * ..... Noon ET (The CW)
Stanford 24 at Louisville 52 * ..... 3:15 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Virginia 7 at #14 Wake Forest 51 * ..... 3:45 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Clemson 36 at Florida State 24 * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ACCN)
#1 Miami 38 at North Carolina 35 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ABC)
Georgia Tech 11 at Pitt 34 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Open: Virginia Tech

WEEK 10

Friday, November 6

Virginia Tech 28 at SMU 51 * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Saturday, November 7

Clemson 18 at Syracuse 13 * ..... Noon ET (ESPN2)
Florida State 31 at Boston College 24 * ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
North Carolina 38 at UConn 21 ..... Noon ET (CBSSN)
Duke 41 at NC State 3 * ..... 12:30 p.m. ET (The CW)
Merrimack 0 at #16 Wake Forest 77 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Louisville 44 at Georgia Tech 17 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
#1 Miami 24 at #11 Notre Dame 31 ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (NBC/Peacock)
Open: California, Pitt, Stanford, Virginia

WEEK 11

Friday, November 13

Florida State 16 at Pitt 10 * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Saturday, November 14

Duke 25 at #7 Miami 36 * ..... Noon ET (ABC)
#13 Wake Forest 49 at SMU 7 * ..... Noon ET (ESPN)
Syracuse 34 at NC State 31 * ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
Georgia Tech 20 at Clemson 6 * ..... 12:30 p.m. ET (The CW)
California 7 at Virginia 36 * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Boston College 7 at #5 Notre Dame 41 ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (NBC/Peacock)
Louisville 16 at North Carolina 14 * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Stanford 40 at Virginia Tech 22 * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)

WEEK 12

Friday, November 20

Clemson at Duke * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)

Saturday, November 21

#11 Wake Forest at Georgia Tech * ..... Noon ET (ESPN)
Syracuse at Boston College * ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
North Carolina at Virginia * ..... 12:30 p.m. ET (The CW)
NC State at Florida State * ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Virginia Tech at #7 Miami * ..... 7 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Pitt at #23 Louisville * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Stanford at California * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
SMU at #6 Notre Dame ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (NBC/Peacock)

WEEK 13

Friday, November 27

Florida at Florida State ..... 3:30 p.m. ET (ABC)

Saturday, November 28

Notre Dame at Syracuse ..... Noon ET (ABC)
Boston College at Miami * ..... Noon ET (ESPN)
NC State at North Carolina * ..... Noon ET (ACCN)
Louisville at Kentucky ..... Noon or 12:45 p.m. ET (TBA)
Duke at Wake Forest * ..... 3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)
SMU at Stanford * ..... 3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)
South Carolina at Clemson ..... 3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)
Virginia at Virginia Tech * ..... 3 p.m. ET (The CW)
Pitt at California * ..... 7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Georgia Tech at Georgia ..... Six Day Hold

CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK

Saturday, December 5

Bank of America Stadium - Charlotte, North Carolina
TBD ..... Noon ET (ABC)

* Denotes ACC game



ACC FOOTBALL TEAM-BY-TEAM SCHEDULES

BOSTON COLLEGE (4-6, 2-4 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 5	at Cincinnati	L, 15-34
Sept. 11	Rutgers	W, 28-21
Sept. 19	Maine	W, 22-16
Sept. 26	Virginia Tech *	L, 14-21
Oct. 3	at #21 SMU *	L, 16-25
Oct. 10	OPEN	
Oct. 17	Pitt *	W, 27-21
Oct. 24	at Georgia Tech *	W, 49-27
Oct. 31	at Duke *	L, 2-47
Nov. 7	Florida State *	L, 24-31
Nov. 14	at #5 Notre Dame	L, 7-41
Nov. 21	Syracuse *	Noon ET (ACCN)
Nov. 28	at Miami *	Noon ET (ESPN)

CALIFORNIA (3-7, 2-5 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 5	UCLA	L, 24-45
Sept. 12	at Syracuse *	W, 21-18
Sept. 19	Wagner	W, 49-7
Sept. 25	Clemson *	L, 10-24
Oct. 3	at UNLV	L, 31-39
Oct. 10	Virginia Tech *	W, 25-20
Oct. 17	#21 Wake Forest *	L, 7-41
Oct. 24	at #23 SMU *	L, 20-59
Oct. 31	at NC State *	L, 10-31
Nov. 7	OPEN	
Nov. 14	at Virginia *	L, 7-36
Nov. 21	Stanford *	7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Nov. 28	Pitt *	7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)

CLEMSON (6-4, 4-3 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 5	at #11 LSU	L, 10-51
Sept. 12	Georgia Southern	W, 22-7
Sept. 19	North Carolina *	W, 28-20
Sept. 25	at California *	W, 24-10
Oct. 3	#4 Miami *	L, 13-41
Oct. 10	OPEN	
Oct. 17	Charleston Southern	W, 37-0
Oct. 24	Virginia Tech *	L, 16-20
Oct. 31	at Florida State *	W, 36-24
Nov. 7	at Syracuse *	W, 18-13
Nov. 14	Georgia Tech *	L, 6-20
Nov. 20	at Duke *	7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Nov. 28	South Carolina	3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)

DUKE (7-3, 4-3 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 5	Tulane	W, 17-3
Sept. 12	at Illinois	W, 31-27
Sept. 19	Stanford *	W, 35-7
Sept. 26	William & Mary	W, 62-7
Oct. 3	OPEN	
Oct. 10	at Georgia Tech *	L, 25-28
Oct. 17	North Carolina *	L, 20-24
Oct. 23	at Virginia *	W, 19-16
Oct. 31	Boston College *	W, 47-2
Nov. 7	at NC State *	W, 41-3
Nov. 14	at #7 Miami *	L, 25-36
Nov. 20	Clemson *	7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Nov. 28	at Wake Forest *	3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)

FLORIDA STATE (5-5, 3-4 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Aug. 29	New Mexico State	W, 34-17
Sept. 7	#19 SMU *	L, 24-27
Sept. 12	OPEN	
Sept. 19	at #10 Alabama	L, 36-50
Sept. 26	Central Arkansas	W, 34-7
Oct. 3	Virginia *	W, 38-7
Oct. 9	at Louisville *	L, 20-44
Oct. 17	at #3 Miami *	L, 35-43 (2OT)
Oct. 24	OPEN	
Oct. 31	Clemson *	L, 24-36
Nov. 7	at Boston College *	W, 31-24
Nov. 13	at Pitt *	W, 16-10
Nov. 21	NC State *	3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Nov. 27	Florida	3:30 p.m. ET (ABC)

GEORGIA TECH (3-7, 2-5 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 3	Colorado	L, 13-14
Sept. 12	#18 Tennessee	L, 24-45
Sept. 19	Mercer	W, 44-11
Sept. 26	at Stanford *	L, 27-34
Oct. 3	OPEN	
Oct. 10	Duke *	W, 28-25
Oct. 17	at Virginia Tech *	L, 24-34
Oct. 24	Boston College *	L, 27-49
Oct. 31	at Pitt *	L, 11-34
Nov. 7	Louisville *	L, 17-44
Nov. 14	at Clemson *	W, 20-6
Nov. 21	#11 Wake Forest *	Noon ET (ESPN)
Nov. 28	at Georgia	Six Day Hold

LOUISVILLE (7-3, 6-2 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 6	vs. #9 Ole Miss *(Nashville)*	L, 38-41
Sept. 11	Villanova	W, 59-13
Sept. 19	#16 SMU *	W, 41-31
Sept. 26	Wake Forest *	L, 27-30
Oct. 3	at NC State *	L, 28-31
Oct. 9	Florida State *	W, 44-20
Oct. 17	at Syracuse *	W, 34-26
Oct. 24	OPEN	
Oct. 31	Stanford *	W, 52-24
Nov. 7	at Georgia Tech *	W, 44-17
Nov. 14	at North Carolina *	W, 16-14
Nov. 21	Pitt *	7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Nov. 28	at Kentucky	Noon or 12:45 p.m. ET (TBA)

MIAMI (9-1, 7-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 4	at Stanford *	W, 45-6
Sept. 10	Florida A&M	W, 77-7
Sept. 18	at Wake Forest *	W, 33-20
Sept. 26	Central Michigan	W, 52-3
Oct. 3	at Clemson *	W, 41-13
Oct. 10	OPEN	
Oct. 17	Florida State *	W, 43-35 (2OT)
Oct. 24	Pitt *	W, 52-23
Oct. 31	at North Carolina *	W, 38-35
Nov. 7	at #11 Notre Dame	L, 24-31
Nov. 14	Duke *	W, 36-25
Nov. 21	Virginia Tech *	7 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Nov. 28	Boston College *	Noon ET (ESPN)

NORTH CAROLINA (5-5, 2-4 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Aug. 29	vs. TCU *(Ireland)*	W, 15-10
Sept. 5	OPEN	
Sept. 12	East Tennessee State	W, 35-3
Sept. 19	at Clemson *	L, 20-28
Sept. 26	OPEN	
Oct. 3	#3 Notre Dame	L, 26-37
Oct. 10	at #25 Pitt *	W, 21-17
Oct. 17	at Duke *	W, 24-20
Oct. 24	Syracuse *	L, 30-31 (OT)
Oct. 31	#1 Miami *	L, 35-38
Nov. 7	at UConn	W, 38-21
Nov. 14	Louisville *	L, 14-16
Nov. 21	at Virginia *	12:30 p.m. ET (The CW)
Nov. 28	NC State *	Noon ET (ACCN)



ACC FOOTBALL TEAM-BY-TEAM SCHEDULES

NC STATE (4-6, 2-5 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Aug. 29	at Virginia *	L, 8-34
Sept. 5	OPEN	
Sept. 11	Richmond	W, 73-0
Sept. 19	at Vanderbilt	L, 31-35
Sept. 26	App State	W, 41-31
Oct. 3	Louisville *	W, 31-28
Oct. 10	Wake Forest *	L, 14-38
Oct. 17	OPEN	
Oct. 23	at Stanford *	L, 28-31
Oct. 31	California *	W, 31-10
Nov. 7	Duke *	L, 3-41
Nov. 14	Syracuse *	L, 31-34
Nov. 21	at Florida State *	3:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Nov. 28	at North Carolina *	Noon ET (ACCN)

PITT (6-4, 3-4 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 5	Miami (OH)	W, 59-14
Sept. 12	UCF	W, 12-7
Sept. 17	Syracuse *	W, 27-13
Sept. 26	Bucknell	W, 59-0
Oct. 2	at Virginia Tech *	W, 35-33
Oct. 10	North Carolina *	L, 17-21
Oct. 17	at Boston College *	L, 21-27
Oct. 24	at #1 Miami *	L, 23-52
Oct. 31	Georgia Tech *	W, 34-11
Nov. 7	OPEN	
Nov. 13	Florida State *	L, 10-16
Nov. 21	at #23 Louisville *	7:30 p.m. ET (ESPN2)
Nov. 28	at California *	7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)

SMU (7-3, 5-3 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 7	at Florida State *	W, 27-24
Sept. 12	UC Davis	W, 56-10
Sept. 19	at #23 Louisville *	L, 31-41
Sept. 26	Missouri State	W, 34-24
Oct. 3	Boston College *	W, 25-16
Oct. 10	OPEN	
Oct. 17	Virginia *	W, 23-13
Oct. 24	California *	W, 59-20
Oct. 31	at Syracuse *	L, 27-30
Nov. 6	Virginia Tech *	W, 51-28
Nov. 14	#13 Wake Forest *	L, 7-49
Nov. 21	at #6 Notre Dame	7:30 p.m. ET (NBC)
Nov. 28	at Stanford *	3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)

STANFORD (5-5, 3-4 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Aug. 29	Hawai'i	W, 37-27
Sept. 4	#7 Miami *	L, 6-45
Sept. 12	OPEN	
Sept. 19	at Duke *	L, 7-35
Sept. 26	Georgia Tech *	W, 34-27
Oct. 3	at Wake Forest *	L, 3-57
Oct. 10	at #3 Notre Dame	L, 7-58
Oct. 17	Elon	W, 34-7
Oct. 23	NC State *	W, 31-28
Oct. 31	at Louisville *	L, 24-52
Nov. 7	OPEN	
Nov. 14	at Virginia Tech *	W, 40-22
Nov. 21	at California *	7:30 p.m. ET (ACCN)
Nov. 28	SMU *	3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)

SYRACUSE (5-5, 3-5 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 5	New Hampshire	W, 66-3
Sept. 12	California *	L, 18-21
Sept. 17	at Pitt *	L, 13-27
Sept. 26	OPEN	
Oct. 3	at UConn	W, 42-41 (2OT)
Oct. 10	at Virginia *	L, 25-28
Oct. 17	Louisville *	L, 26-34
Oct. 24	at North Carolina *	W, 31-30 (OT)
Oct. 31	#19 SMU *	W, 30-27
Nov. 7	Clemson *	L, 13-18
Nov. 14	at NC State *	W, 34-31
Nov. 21	at Boston College *	Noon ET (ACCN)
Nov. 28	Notre Dame	Noon ET (ABC)

VIRGINIA (5-5, 3-4 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Aug. 29	NC State *	W, 34-8
Sept. 5	OPEN	
Sept. 11	Norfolk State	W, 59-3
Sept. 19	vs. West Virginia *(Charlotte)*	L, 27-38
Sept. 26	Delaware	W, 42-3
Oct. 3	at Florida State *	L, 7-38
Oct. 10	Syracuse *	W, 28-25
Oct. 17	at #24 SMU *	L, 13-23
Oct. 23	Duke *	L, 16-19
Oct. 31	at #14 Wake Forest *	L, 7-51
Nov. 7	OPEN	
Nov. 14	California *	W, 36-7
Nov. 21	North Carolina *	12:30 p.m. ET (The CW)
Nov. 28	at Virginia Tech *	3 p.m. ET (The CW)

VIRGINIA TECH (6-4, 3-4 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 5	VMI	W, 73-3
Sept. 12	Old Dominion	W, 44-21
Sept. 19	at Maryland	W, 35-26
Sept. 26	at Boston College *	W, 21-14
Oct. 2	Pitt *	L, 33-35
Oct. 10	at California *	L, 20-25
Oct. 17	Georgia Tech *	W, 34-24
Oct. 24	at Clemson *	W, 20-16
Oct. 31	OPEN	
Nov. 6	at SMU *	L, 28-51
Nov. 14	Stanford *	L, 22-40
Nov. 21	at #7 Miami *	7 p.m. ET (ESPN)
Nov. 28	Virginia *	3 p.m. ET (The CW)

WAKE FOREST (9-1, 6-1 ACC)

Date	Opponent	
Sept. 3	Akron	W, 38-16
Sept. 12	at Purdue	W, 38-36 (2OT)
Sept. 18	#5 Miami *	L, 20-33
Sept. 26	at #16 Louisville *	W, 30-27
Oct. 3	Stanford *	W, 57-3
Oct. 10	at NC State *	W, 38-14
Oct. 17	at California *	W, 41-7
Oct. 24	OPEN	
Oct. 31	Virginia *	W, 51-7
Nov. 7	Merrimack	W, 77-0
Nov. 14	at SMU *	W, 49-7
Nov. 21	at Georgia Tech *	Noon ET (ESPN)
Nov. 28	Duke *	3 or 3:30 p.m. ET (TBA)

^ CFP Rankings after Nov. 3

** Denotes ACC game*



ACC BOWL PARTNERS & LINEUP

Bowl Game	Date	Time (ET)	TV Network
Frisco Football Classic	Tuesday, December 15, 2026	9 p.m.	ESPN
TransPerfect San Juan Bowl	Wednesday, December 16, 2026	TBA	TBA
Boca Raton Bowl	Friday, December 18, 2026	11 a.m.	ESPN
Union Home Mortgage Gasparilla Bowl	Friday, December 18, 2026	2:30 p.m.	ESPN
Radiance Technologies Independence Bowl ^^^	Tuesday, December 22, 2026	8:30 p.m.	ESPN
Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl	Wednesday, December 23, 2026	5:30 p.m.	ESPN
Frisco Bowl	Wednesday, December 23, 2026	9 p.m.	ESPN
Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl	Saturday, December 26, 2026	Noon	ABC
Wasabi Fenway Bowl	Saturday, December 26, 2026	2 p.m.	ESPN
Duke's Mayo Bowl	Saturday, December 26, 2026	3:30 p.m.	ABC
Freedom Mortgage Military Bowl	Monday, December 28, 2026	2 p.m.	ESPN
Holiday Bowl ^^^	Monday, December 28, 2026	5 p.m.	The CW
JLab Birmingham Bowl	Tuesday, December 29, 2026	2 p.m.	ESPN
Pop-Tarts Bowl	Tuesday, December 29, 2026	5:30 p.m.	ESPN
Valero Alamo Bowl ^^^	Tuesday, December 29, 2026	9 p.m.	ESPN
TaxSlayer Gator Bowl	Wednesday, December 30, 2026	11:30 a.m.	ESPN
Old El Paso Sun Bowl ^^^	Thursday, December 31, 2026	2 p.m.	CBS
Las Vegas Bowl ^^^	Thursday, December 31, 2026	3:45 p.m.	ESPN
SERVPRO First Responders Bowl	Friday, January 2, 2027	3:30 p.m.	ABC
2026-27 College Football Playoff			
CFP First Round - Campus Site	Friday, December 18, 2026	8 p.m.	ESPN
CFP First Round - Campus Site	Saturday, December 19, 2026	Noon	ABC/ESPN
CFP First Round - Campus Site	Saturday, December 19, 2026	3:30 p.m.	TNT/TruTV/HBO Max
CFP First Round - Campus Site	Saturday, December 19, 2026	7:30 p.m.	TNT/TruTV/HBO Max
CFP Quarterfinals - Vrbo Fiesta Bowl	Wednesday, December 30, 2026	7:30 p.m.	TNT/TruTV/HBO Max
CFP Quarterfinals - Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl	Friday, January 1, 2027	TBD	TBD
CFP Quarterfinals - Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic	Friday, January 1, 2027	TBD	TBD
CFP Quarterfinals - Rose Bowl Game Presented by Prudential	Friday, January 1, 2027	TBD	TBD
CFP Semifinals - Capital One Orange Bowl	Thursday, January 14, 2027	7:30 p.m.	TNT/TruTV/HBO Max
CFP Semifinals - Allstate Sugar Bowl	Friday, January 15, 2027	7:30 p.m.	ABC/ESPN
CFP National Championship Game	Monday, January 25, 2027	7:30 p.m.	ABC/ESPN

• The College Football Playoff (CFP) is the event that crowns the national champion in college football. The CFP selection committee ranks the top 25 teams at the end of the regular season. The 12 participating schools will be the conference champions from the Atlantic Coast Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Southeastern Conference and the highest-ranked team from the American, Conference USA, Mid-American Conference, Mountain West, Pac-12 Conference or Sun Belt Conference, along with the next seven highest-ranked teams. The University of Notre Dame will be included in the playoff if it is ranked among the top 12 teams in the final rankings.

^^^ Denotes matchups featuring teams from the ACC, Big Ten, Big 12 or Washington State/Oregon State



ACC IN THE RANKINGS

AP/COACHES/CFP

	BC	CAL	CU	DU	FSU	GT	LOU	MIA	UNC	NCSU	PITT	SMU	STAN	SU	UVA	VT	WF
Preseason	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	RV/23/-	-/RV/-	-/RV/-	RV/RV/-	24/RV/-	7/7/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	RV/RV/-	19/20/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-
Sept. 8	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	-/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	24/24/-	7/7/-	-/RV/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	17/17/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	25/25/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-
Sept. 13	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	-/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	23/RV/-	5/5/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	16/16/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	25/25/-	RV/RV/-	-/RV/-
Sept. 20	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	16/19/-	6/5/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	22/25/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-
Sept. 27	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	RV/21/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	4/4/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	21/19/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	RV/RV/-	RV/RV/-
Oct. 4	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/23/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	4/4/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	25/24/-	24/21/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	RV/RV/-
Oct. 11	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	3/3/-	-/RV/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	24/22/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	21/23/-
Oct. 18	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	1/1/-	-/RV/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	23/20/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	17/19/-
Oct. 25	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	1/1/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	19/16/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	14/15/-
Nov. 1	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/-/-	1/1/1	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/24/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	14/14/16
Nov. 8	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	5/6/7	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	25/23/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	11/11/13
Nov. 15/16	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/24/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	21/22/23	5/6/7	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/RV/-	-/-/-	10/10/11
Nov. 22																	
Nov. 29																	
Dec. 6																	
Final																	

ASSOCIATED PRESS (AP) RANKINGS

		WEEK													
School	Pr	W1	W2	W3	W4	W5	W6	W7	W8	W9	W10	W11	W12	W13	W14	Fin
Georgia	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	5	3	2	1	1				
Utah	21	20	17	15	13	12	11	10	6	3	2	2				
Notre Dame	4	3	3	3	3	3	2	4	5	4	3	3				
UCLA	-	-	-	-	23	21	12	9	7	5	4	4				
Miami	***7***	***7***	***5***	***6***	***4***	***4***	***3***	***1***	***1***	***1***	***5***	***5***				
Indiana	6	5	4	5	6	7	5	6	4	6	6	6				
Alabama	13	12	10	8	7	6	6	13	10	9	7	7				
Texas	5	4	1	1	1	1	7	19	11	10	8	8				
Tennessee	20	18	15	14	17	15	14	11	16	16	9	9				
Wake Forest	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***21***	***17***	***14***	***14***	***11***	***10***				
Texas Tech	12	13	13	11	12	11	10	8	13	13	10	11				
BYU	14	15	11	9	10	8	8	2	8	7	12	12				
Iowa	22	21	18	17	14	20	17	15	-	21	16	13				
Oregon	2	6	21	20	15	13	-	-	-	-	18	14				
Boise State	-	-	-	-	22	23	23	21	20	20	17	15				
Ohio State	1	1	6	7	5	5	4	3	2	11	21	16				
Kentucky	-	-	-	-	24	-	15	12	9	8	13	17				
USC	14	14	12	12	18	19	19	16	-	18	15	18				
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	22	24	22	19				
Houston	23	22	22	25	20	22	20	14	18	17	14	20				
Louisville	***24***	***24***	***23***	***16***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***21***				
Liberty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22				
Florida	-	-	-	21	8	16	-	20	17	25	-	23				
Memphis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24				
Ole Miss	9	9	8	4	9	9	9	7	12	12	19	25				
South Carolina	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	20	-				
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	23	-				
LSU	11	8	7	10	11	10	22	18	15	15	24	-				
SMU	***19***	***17***	***16***	***22***	***21***	***24***	***24***	***23***	***19***	***-***	***25***	***-***				
Missouri	25	23	20	19	25	14	13	22	23	19	-	-				
Northwestern	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	24	20	-	-	-				
Oklahoma St.	-	-	-	-	19	18	18	-	24	-	-	-				
Wisconsin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	-	-	-				
Miss State	-	-	-	24	16	17	16	-	-	-	-	-				
Pitt	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***25***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***				
Penn State	18	16	14	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Michigan	16	-	19	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Texas A&M	8	10	9	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Oklahoma	10	11	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Virginia	***-***	***25***	***25***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***	***-***				
Washington	17	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				

ACC ASSOCIATED PRESS (AP) RANKING HISTORY

School	Consecutive 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	-	388	72	590
Georgia Tech	-	148	-	320
Louisville	***1***	***42***	***-***	***170***
Miami	***46***	***343***	***71***	***564***
North Carolina	-	80	1	280
NC State	-	12	-	191
Pitt	-	125	21	322
SMU	-	75	2	207
Stanford	-	97	-	303
Syracuse	-	69	7	213
Virginia	-	21	3	188
Virginia Tech	-	95	-	311
Wake Forest	***6***	***3***	***-***	***75***

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	12	11 (Dec. 2, 2014)
Louisville	***23***	***5 (Nov. 15, 2016)***
Miami	***26***	***1 (Nov. 3, 2026)***
North Carolina	19	10, two times (Dec. 6, 2015)
NC State	24	14 (Nov. 6, 2018)
Pitt	13	12 (Dec. 5, 2021)
SMU	10	8 (Dec. 3, 2024)
Stanford	15	6 (Dec. 6, 2015)
Syracuse	9	12 (Nov. 13, 2018)
Virginia	9	14 (Nov. 4, 2025)
Virginia Tech	10	13 (Oct. 31, 2017)
Wake Forest	***11***	***9 (Nov. 2, 2021)***



NATIONAL FINALIST/SEMIFINALISTS

Paul Hornung Award Finalist
Malachi Toney (WR/PR), Miami

William V. Campbell Trophy Finalist
Duce Robinson (WR), Florida State

Bednarik Award Semifinalists
Kingston Lopa (DB), California
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson
Xavier Lewis (DT), North Carolina

Biletnikoff Award Semifinalists
Umari Hatcher (WR), Syracuse
Carlos Hernandez (WR), Wake Forest
Malachi Toney (WR), Miami

Burlsworth Trophy Semifinalist
Xavier Lewis (DT), North Carolina

Butkus Award Semifinalists
Sammy Brown (LB), Clemson
Derek McDonald (LB), North Carolina

Doak Walker Award Semifinalist
Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke

Davey O'Brien Award QB Class of 2026
Ethan Grunkemeyer (QB), Virginia Tech
Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU
Lincoln Kienholz (QB), Louisville
Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami

Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award Semifinalists
Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami

Jason Witten Collegiate Man of the Year Award Semifinalists
Matt Craycaft (C), Duke
Mark Fletcher Jr. (RB), Miami
Mason Heintschel (QB), Pitt
Duce Robinson (WR), Florida State
Isaiah Shirley (DT), NC State
Jordan Shipp (WR), North Carolina
Davis Warren (QB), Stanford

Joe Moore Award Semifinalist
Duke (Offensive Line)

John Mackey Award Semifinalists
Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech
Jelani Thurman (TE), North Carolina

Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Top 10
Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU

Lott IMPACT Trophy Semifinalists
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson

Lou Groza Award Semifinalists
Antonio Chadha (K), Pitt
Nolan Hauser (K), Clemson

Maxwell Award Semifinalists
Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke
Malachi Toney (WR), Miami

Jim Thorpe Award Semifinalists
Kaleb Beasley (S), Louisville
Bryce Fitzgerald (S), Miami
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson
Kingston Lopa (S), California

Ray Guy Award Semifinalist
Ethan Hyams (P), Wake Forest

Shaun Alexander Award Semifinalists
JJ Dunnigan, Miami
Somad Eaddy (CB), Wake Forest
Damon Ferguson Jr. (RB), Pitt

Walter Camp 2026 Player of Year Semifinalists
Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke
Malachi Toney (WR), Miami

William V. Campbell Trophy Semifinalists
Luca Lombardo (Boston College)
Will Heldt (Clemson)
Matt Craycraft (Duke)
Justice Haynes (Georgia Tech)
Duce Robinson (Florida State)
Clev Lubin (Louisville)
Christo Kelly (North Carolina)
Isaiah Shirley (NC State)
Joshua Bates (SMU)
Niki Prongos (Stanford)
David Clement (Syracuse)
Will Bettridge (Virginia)
Tyson Flowers (Virginia Tech)
Gabe Kirschke (Wake Forest)



MIDSEASON AWARDS & ACCOLADES

Associated Press Midseason All-America Team
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami ... 1st Team
Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke ... 1st Team
Malachi Toney (WR), Miami ... 1st Team
Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech ... 1st Team
Xavier Lewis (DL), North Carolina ... 1st Team
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson ... 1st Team
Kingston Lopa (S), California ... 1st Team
Monroe Mills (OL), Virginia ... 2nd Team
Carlos Hernandez (WR), Wake Forest ... 2nd Team

Sports Illustrated Midseason All-America Team
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami ... 1st Team
Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke ... 1st Team
Malachi Toney (WR), Miami ... 1st Team
Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech ... 1st Team
Kingston Lopa (S), California ... 1st Team
Daniel Sparks (P), Virginia ... 1st Team
Monroe Mills (OL), Virginia ... 2nd Team
Carlos Hernandez (WR), Wake Forest ... 2nd Team
Langston Hardy (DE), Wake Forest ... 2nd Team
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson ... 2nd Team

Sporting News Midseason All-America Team
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami ... 1st Team
Malachi Toney (WR), Miami ... 1st Team
Monroe Mills (OL), Virginia ... 1st Team
Nate Sheppard (AP), Duke ... 1st Team
Xavier Lewis (DL), North Carolina ... 1st Team
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson ... 1st Team
Kingston Lopa (S), California ... 1st Team

On3 Midseason All-America Team
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami ... 1st Team
Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke ... 1st Team
Samson Okunlola (OT), Miami ... 1st Team
Kingston Lopa (S), California ... 1st Team
Daniel Sparks (P), Virginia ... 1st Team
Isaac Brown (RB), Louisville ... 2nd Team
Malachi Toney (WR), Miami ... 2nd Team
Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech ... 2nd Team
Xavier Lewis (DL), North Carolina ... 2nd Team
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson ... 2nd Team
Nolan Hauser (K), Clemson ... 2nd Team

CBS Sports Midseason All-America Team
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami ... Offense
Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke ... Offense
Malachi Toney (AP), Miami ... Offense
Xavier Lewis (DT), North Carolina ... Defense
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson ... Defense
Kingston Lopa (S), California ... Defense

Athlon Sports Midseason All-America Team
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami ... 1st Team
Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke ... 1st Team
Malachi Toney (WR), Miami ... 1st Team
Xavier Lewis (DL), North Carolina ... 1st Team
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson ... 1st Team
Kingston Lopa (S), California ... 1st Team
Carlos Hernandez (WR), Wake Forest ... 2nd Team
Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech ... 2nd Team
Monroe Mills (OL), Virginia ... 2nd Team
Langston Hardy (DL), Wake Forest ... 2nd Team

The Athletic's Midseason All-America Team
Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke ... 1st Team
Xavier Lewis (DT), North Carolina ... 1st Team
Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson ... 1st Team
Kingston Lopa (S), California ... 1st Team
Malachi Toney (AP), Miami ... 1st Team
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami ... 2nd Team
Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech ... 2nd Team
Langston Hardy (DE), Wake Forest ... 2nd Team

The Athletic's Midseason All-Freshman Team
Damon Ferguson Jr. (RB), Pitt
JJ Dunnigan (DB), Miami
Somad Eaddy (DB), Wake Forest
Ethan Hyams (P), Wake Forest

On3 Midseason True Freshman All-America Team
JJ Dunnigan (DB), Miami ... Defense
Somad Eaddy (DB), Wake Forest ... Defense

247Sports True Freshman All-America Team
Javian Mallory (RB), Miami ... Offense
Somad Eaddy (DB), Wake Forest ... Defense

Paul "Bear" Bryant Coach of the Year Award Midseason Watch List
Mario Cristobal, Miami
Jake Dickert, Wake Forest
Rhett Lashlee, SMU

Davey O'Brien Award Midseason Watch List
Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
Mason Heintschel (QB), Pitt
Ashton Daniels (QB), Florida State
Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest

Dodd Trophy Midseason Watch List
Mario Cristobal, Miami
Jake Dickert, Wake Forest
Rhett Lashlee, SMU

Joe Moore Award 2026 Midseason Honor Roll
Duke ... Offensive Line
Miami ... Offensive Line

Biletnikoff Midseason Watch List Additions
Cataurus "Blue" Hicks (WR), Pitt
Umari Hatcher (WR), Syracuse
Carlos Hernandez (WR), Wake Forest
Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech

Jet Award Midseason Watch List Additions
Rahkeem Smith (WR/KR), Georgia Tech
Que'Sean Brown (WR/PR), Virginia Tech

Lombardi Award Midseason Watch List
Sammy Brown (LB), Clemson
Will Heldt (DE), Clemson
Clev Lubin (Edge), Louisville
Xavier Lewis (DT), North Carolina

Manning Award Midseason Watch List Additions
Ethan Grunkemeyer (QB), Virginia Tech
Lincoln Kienholz (QB), Louisville
Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest

Maxwell Award Midseason Watch List Additions
Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest

Ray Guy Award Midseason Watch List
Aidan Flintoft (P), Stanford
Daniel Hughes (P), Florida State
Ethan Hyams (P), Wake Forest
Dylan Joyce (P), Miami
Kade Reynoldson (P), Duke
Gabe Russo (P), Pitt
Daniel Sparks (P), Virginia
Jackson Waller (P), NC State

Rimington Trophy Midseason Watch List Additions
Ryan Rodriguez (C), Miami
Drake Metcalf (C), Virginia

Comeback Player of the Year Midseason Watch List
Isaiah Crosby (DB), California
Bryant Wesco Jr. (WR), Clemson
Nick Morris Jr. (LB), Duke
Justice Haynes (RB), Georgia Tech
Billy Edwards Jr. (QB), North Carolina
Censere Lee (WR), Pitt
Steve Angeli (QB), Syracuse
Monroe Mills (OL), Virginia



NATIONAL WEEKLY AWARDS & HONORS

Associated Press National Player of the Week
September 8 ..... Malachi Toney (WR), Miami
October 25 ..... Malachi Toney (WR), Miami

Paul "Bear" Bryant National Coach of the Week
November 16 ..... Jake Dickert, Wake Forest

Bednarik Award Player of the Week (Defensive)
September 15 ..... Kingston Lopa (CB), California
October 6 ..... Damon Wilson II (DE), Miami

Bronko Nagurski Defensive Player of the Week
September 15 ..... Anthony Palano (LB), Boston College

CSC Comeback Player of the Week
September 15 ..... Justice Haynes (RB), Georgia Tech
October 6 ..... Bryant Wesco Jr. (WR), Clemson
October 13 ..... Billy Edwards Jr. (QB), North Carolina
October 27 ..... Steve Angeli (QB), Syracuse
..... Nick Morris Jr. (LB), Duke
November 9 ..... Bryant Wesco Jr. (WR), Clemson
November 16 ..... Justice Haynes (RB), Georgia Tech

Davey O'Brien National Quarterback of the Week
September 9 ..... Mason Heintschel (QB), Pitt
October 6 ..... Ashton Daniels (QB), Florida State

Doak Walker National Running Back of the Week
September 9 ..... Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke
September 22 ..... KeyJuan Brown (RB), Louisville
November 10 ..... Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke

Dodd Trophy Coach of the Week
August 31 ..... Tony Elliott, Virginia
November 16 ..... Jake Dickert, Wake Forest

John Mackey Award Player of the Week
September 9 ..... Randy Pittman Jr. (TE), SMU
September 22 ..... Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech
October 20 ..... Dominick Barry (TE), Wake Forest

Lou Groza Award Stars of the Week (Placekicker)
September 15 ..... Nolan Hauser (K), Clemson
September 22 ..... Nolan Hauser (K), Clemson
September 29 ..... Connor Calvert (K), Wake Forest
October 6 ..... Kanoah Vinesett (K), NC State
November 3 ..... Nolan Hauser (K), Clemson

Maxwell Award Player of the Week
September 9 ..... Mason Heintschel (QB), Pitt

Outland Trophy National Player of the Week
October 13 ..... Lance Robinson (OL), Louisville

Pop-Tarts Bowl Crazy Good Team of the Week
November 16 ..... Wake Forest

Panini Senior Bowl Player of the Week
August 31 ..... Melkart Abou-Jaoude (DE), North Carolina (Defensive)
..... Davis Warren (QB), Stanford (Offensive)
September 8 ..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami (Offensive)
October 5 ..... Damon Wilson II (DE), Miami (Defensive)
October 12 ..... Isaac Brown (RB), Louisville (Offensive)
November 9 ..... Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson (Defensive)
November 16 ..... Cooper Barkate (WR), Miami (Offensive)

Pro Football Focus (PFF) Player of the Week
August 31 ..... Xavier Lewis (DL), North Carolina (Defensive)
September 7 ..... Malachi Toney (WR), Miami (Offensive)
November 8 ..... Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke (Offensive)

Pro Football Focus (PFF) Quarterback of the Week
September 7 ..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
October 19 ..... Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
November 8 ..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU

Pro Football Focus (PFF) Offensive Line of the Week
October 25 ..... SMU (Offensive Line)

Ray Guy Award Punter of the Week
September 22 ..... Daniel Sparks (P), Virginia

Shriners Children's East-West Bowl Coach of the Week
August 31 ..... Joey Orck, Virginia (Offensive Line Coach)
September 7 ..... Shannon Dawson, Miami (Offensive Coordinator)
November 10 ..... Jonathan Patke, Duke (Offensive Coordinator)

Shriners Children's East-West Bowl Players of the Week
August 31 ..... Micah Ford (RB), Stanford (Offensive)
September 21 ..... Will Heldt (Edge), Clemson (Defensive)
..... Duce Robinson (WR), Florida State (Offensive)
October 12 ..... Langston Hardy (DE), Wake Forest (Defensive)
October 19 ..... Umari Hatcher (WR), Syracuse (Offensive)
October 26 ..... Nick Morris Jr. (LB), Duke (Defensive)
November 2 ..... Elliot Washington II (CB), Clemson (Defensive)
November 16 ..... Cooper Barkate (WR), Miami (Offensive)

Shriners Children's East-West Bowl Monday Morning Quarterback
August 31 ..... Beau Pribula, Virginia
September 7 ..... Darian Mensah, Miami
September 28 ..... Davis Warren, Stanford
October 26 ..... Kevin Jennings, SMU

Paycom Jim Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week
November 10 ..... Ashton Hampton (CB), Clemson

The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award National Player of the Week
September 9 ..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU

Walter Camp National Player of the Week
September 8 ..... Malachi Toney (WR), Miami (Offensive)
September 15 ..... Kingston Lopa (DB), California (Defensive)
September 22 ..... Kaleb Beasley (DB), Louisville (Defensive)
October 27 ..... Malachi Toney (WR), Miami (Offensive)

247Sports True Freshman of the Week
September 20 ..... Tait Reynolds (QB), Clemson
November 15 ..... Javian Mallory (RB), Miami



NATIONAL WEEKLY AWARDS & HONORS

Associated Press National Player of the Week (Honorable Mention)

August 31 ..... Beau Pribula (QB), Virginia (Runner-Up)
..... Micah Ford (RB), Stanford (HM)
..... Davis Warren (QB), Stanford (HM)
..... Xavier Lewis (DL), North Carolina (HM)
September 8..... Mason Heintschel (QB), Pitt (Runner-Up)
..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami (HM)
..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU (HM)
September 14..... Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest (HM)
September 21..... Keyjuan Brown (RB), Louisville (Runner-Up)
September 28..... Carlos Hernandez (WR), Wake Forest (HM)
October 12..... Isaac Brown (RB), Louisville (HM)
October 19..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami (HM)
..... Malachi Toney (WR), Miami (HM)
..... Que'Sean Brown (WR), Virginia Tech (HM)
October 25..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami (HM)
November 2..... Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke (HM)
November 9..... Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke (HM)
November 16..... Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke (HM)

Davey O'Brien "Great Eight" Quarterbacks

September 7..... Mason Heintschel (QB), Pitt
..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
September 21..... Ethan Grunkemeyer (QB), Virginia Tech
..... Lincoln Kienholz (QB), Louisville
September 28..... Beau Pribula (QB), Virginia
October 5..... Ashton Daniels (QB), Florida State
..... Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
..... Amari Odom (QB), Syracuse
October 12..... Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
October 26..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
November 9..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU
November 16..... Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest

John Mackey Award (Tight Ends) Honorable Mention

September 15..... Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech
September 22..... Jeremiah Hasley (TE), Duke
October 13..... Daunte Bacheyie (TE), Syracuse
October 27..... Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech
November 3..... Jelani Thurman (TE), North Carolina

Manning Stars of the Week

September 8..... Mason Heintschel (QB), Pitt
..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
September 14..... Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
September 21..... Jaron-Keawe Sagapolutele (QB), California
..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
September 28..... Mason Heintschel (QB), Pitt
..... Davis Warren (QB), Stanford
October 5..... CJ Bailey (QB), NC State
October 12..... Jackson Brousseau (QB), California
..... Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
October 19..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
October 26..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU
..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
November 9..... Steele Pizzella (QB), Wake Forest
November 16..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
..... Steve Angeli (QB), Syracuse

Pro Football Focus (PFF) Team of the Week

August 31..... Ousmane Kromah (RB), Florida State
September 6..... Darian Mensah (QB), Miami
..... Malachi Toney (WR), Miami
..... Thomas Williams (CB), Virginia Tech
September 13..... Kingston Lopa (CB), California
September 20..... Luke Reynolds (TE), Virginia Tech
..... Greg Smith (DB), North Carolina
September 27..... Jeffrey Overton Jr. (RB), Virginia Tech
October 5..... Jarvis Lee (CB), SMU
October 12..... Vincent Firenze (LB), Wake Forest
..... Tre Miller (CB), North Carolina
October 19..... Gio Lopez (QB), Wake Forest
..... Umari Hatcher (WR), Syracuse
..... Que'Sean Brown (WR), Virginia Tech
..... Malachi Toney (WR/Flex), Miami
..... Niki Prongos (LT), Stanford
..... Clinton Richard (LG), Wake Forest
..... Ashlynd Barker (S), Florida State
..... Bryce Fitzgerald (S/Flex), Miami
October 25..... Malachi Toney (WR/Flex), Miami
..... Michael Crounse (C), Boston College
November 1..... Bryce Davis (Edge), Duke
..... Tyler Thompson (Edge), Louisville
November 8..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU
..... Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke
November 16..... Aiden Hall (LB), Wake Forest

Paul Hornung Award Honor Roll

September 9..... Tre Richardson (WR/RS), Louisville
October 13..... Isaac Brown (RB), Louisville
October 20..... Que'Sean Brown (WR/RS), Virginia Tech
..... Malachi Toney (WR/RS), Miami
October 27..... Nate Sheppard (RB), Duke
November 3..... Isaac Brown (RB), Louisville
..... Malachi Toney (WR), Miami

Ray Guy Award "Ray's 8"

September 8..... Jack Smith (P), Clemson
..... Kade Reynoldson (P), Duke
..... Aidan Flintoft (P), Stanford
September 14..... Jack Smith (P), Clemson
September 21..... Alex Bacchetta (P), Georgia Tech
..... Daniel Sparks (P), Virginia
October 5..... Daniel Sparks (P), Virginia
October 12..... Daniel Sparks (P), Virginia
October 26..... Daniel Sparks (P), Virginia
..... Jackson Waller (P), NC State

The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award - Honorable Mention

September 15..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU
September 29..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU
..... Yamir Knight (WR), SMU
October 27..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU
..... Kendrick Raphael (RB), SMU
November 10..... Kevin Jennings (QB), SMU
..... Yamir Knight (WR), SMU



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 10 of the past 13 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).

Five CFP Teams, One Conference

• The ACC is one of the few conferences to have sent five different programs to the College Football Playoff:
- Clemson (2015–2020, 2024)
- Florida State (2014)
- Notre Dame (2020, while competing as part of the ACC during the pandemic season)
- SMU (2024)
- Miami (2025)

Playoff Success That Stands Out

• With nine all-time College Football Playoff victories, the ACC ranks third nationally behind only the SEC (21) and Big Ten (16).

Unmatched Depth in Bowl Season

• Over the last three seasons (2023, 2024 and 2025), the ACC has had 11 or more bowl-eligible teams each year — the longest streak of any conference.

• The 2024 season saw a league-record 13 ACC teams earn bowl eligibility, tying for the most among all Power Four conferences.

• For 24 consecutive years, the ACC has secured six or more bowl bids, excluding the unique 2020 season. The league has sent 11 teams or more to the postseason in seven of the last 12 years.

Top Coaching Talent Across the Board

• Entering the 2026 season, 11 active ACC head coaches currently rank among the top 70 in the FBS in career winning percentage (at least two full seasons of coaching):
- Dabo Swinney (Clemson)
- Rhett Lashlee (SMU)
- James Franklin (Virginia Tech)
- Jeff Brohm (Louisville)
- Manny Diaz (Duke)
- Dave Doeren (NC State)
- Mike Norvell (Florida State)
- Brent Key (Georgia Tech)
- Jake Dickert (Wake Forest)
- Pat Narduzzi (Pitt)
- Mario Cristobal (Miami)

Heisman Pedigree

• Over the last 13 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, seven 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
- Duke, 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, continuing one of college football's premier championship traditions.

ACC & THE NFL DRAFT

Another Impressive Draft Class

• The ACC had 38 players selected in the 2026 NFL Draft, representing 13 different institutions across the conference. The ACC had 42 players taken in the 2025 NFL Draft, which tied 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 891 total draft picks, including 128 first-round selections—ranking third among all conferences in both categories.

Top-Three in Recent Draft Production

• Over the last 14 drafts (2013–2026), the ACC has had 507 players selected, the third-most of any conference during that span. Notably, the ACC has seen 40 or more players drafted in three of the last six 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, Cam 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.



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NATIONAL SUCCESS

National Championships

• The ACC won seven NCAA National Championships in 2025-26 in ACC-sponsored sports. In addition, Stanford won the NCAA Men's Gymnastics Championship.

- NC State won the 2025 NCAA Women's Cross Country Championship.
- Florida State won the 2025 NCAA Women's Soccer Championship.
- Virginia won the 2025-26 NCAA Women's Swimming & Diving Championship.
- Notre Dame won the 2026 NCAA Men's Fencing Championship.
- Notre Dame won the 2026 NCAA Women's Fencing Championship.
- Stanford won the 2026 NCAA Women's Golf Championship.
- Virginia won the 2026 NCAA Men's Tennis Championship.

• In addition to the seven titles, ACC programs finished as national runners-up in:

- Football (Miami)
- Women's Soccer (Stanford)
- Men's Soccer (NC State)
- Women's Swimming & Diving (Stanford)
- Men's Swimming & Diving (California)
- Women's Lacrosse (North Carolina)
- Men's Lacrosse (Notre Dame)
- Rowing (Stanford)
- Baseball (North Carolina)

• The ACC has won a combined 36 NCAA championships over the last five academic years in its league-sponsored sports – more than at any other point in the league's history.

- The ACC has won six or more national championships in each of the last five 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.

Learfield Directors' Cup Standings

• Six ACC schools were ranked among the top 25 for the second consecutive year, including three in the top five, in the final Division I Learfield College Directors' Cup standings following the 2025-26 academic year. All 18 ACC programs finished in the top 90 of the final standings.

• The ACC had three schools finish in the top five in the final standings for the first time in conference history – Stanford (2nd), North Carolina (4th) and Virginia (5th).

• This marks the 24th consecutive year that four or more ACC schools have 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 conducted.

• The ACC was one of only two conferences with every school among the final top 90 in 2025-26.

ACC STUDENT-ATHLETE PROGRAMS & SERVICES

• The ACC conducted its fifth annual Health and Safety Summit in May 2026, again 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 needed to take a humanistic approach to better support the needs of the student-athlete.

• The ACC organized the fourth annual ACC Career Trek in Charlotte, North Carolina, in June 2026. The trek included 30 student-athletes across the league meeting with representatives and participating in panel discussions from five different categories including sports, real estate, finance/banking, consulting and government.

• The ACC brought together student-athletes, coaches and administrators from all 18 member institutions for the fifth annual ACC Unity Tour on July 12–15 in Washington, D.C. Each ACC institution was invited to send six representatives—four student-athletes and two coaches or administrators—to participate in the four-day experience. This past year's program examined the intersection of sport, leadership and diplomacy while providing opportunities to engage with policymakers, historians and community leaders. Participants explored how athletics can serve as a bridge across campuses and communities, foster collaboration across differences and create lasting impact.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

ACC Student-Athletes Excel Once Again in NCAA APR Report

• Atlantic Coast Conference teams once again showcased strong academic achievement, according to the latest Academic Progress Rate (APR) data released by the NCAA in May 2026.

• Overall, the ACC average APR was 991, five points above the Division I national average. Every team among the ACC's 28 sponsored sports exceeded the NCAA's required APR of 930. A total of 112 ACC teams recorded a perfect APR score of 1000, including at least two teams from each of the 18 member institutions. Notre Dame led the way with 17 teams with a perfect score, followed by Duke with 14 teams and Boston College, Clemson and NC State with 10 each.

ACC Makes Another Strong Showing in NCAA Graduation Success Rates

• The ACC's collective high level of academic success was again reflected by the NCAA Graduation Success Rate (GSR) report, released in November 2025. The ACC's average graduation rate of 94 percent was four points higher than the year's national average of 90 percent.

ACC Again Tops All FBS Conferences in 2027 U.S. News & World Report "Best Colleges" Rankings

• For the 20th consecutive year, the ACC led the way nationally among Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) conferences in the "Best Colleges" rankings released by U.S. News & World Report in September 2026.

- The 50.8 average rank of ACC schools was the best among all FBS conferences.
- Two ACC institutions ranked in the top 10, making the ACC the only FBS conference with multiple schools in the top 10 nationally.
- Four ACC schools ranked in the top 25, more than any other FBS conference.
- Seven ACC schools were among the top 30, also the most among all FBS conferences.
- 15 ACC schools were ranked among the top 75, tied for the most of any FBS conference.
- 11 of the 18 ACC institutions either maintained or improved their position from the previous year's rankings.



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ACC MEDIA PORTAL

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR COVERING ACC FOOTBALL

Saturday, August 29
• The 2026 football season kicks off in Week 0 with four games, including an ACC matchup with NC State at Virginia.

Monday, August 31
• The first ACC Player of the Week Awards will be announced.
* For Week 1, ACC Player of the Week honors will be announced on Tuesday, September 8, at 2 p.m. ET due to a Labor Day game on Monday night (September 7).
• All other weeks of the 2026 season, the ACC Player of the Week honors will be announced on Monday at 2 p.m. ET.

Monday, November 2
• The 2026 ACC Football Championship Game credential application website opens.

Sunday, November 29
• The ACC Football Championship Game participating coaches teleconference - TBD
• All-ACC Football Team voting opens at Noon ET.

Monday, November 30
• All-ACC Football Team voting closes at Noon ET.
• The deadline for media credential applications to the 2026 ACC Football Championship Game is at 2 p.m. ET

Monday, November 30 — Thursday, December 3
• ACC awards will be announced during the week following the conclusion of the regular season.
The following awards will be announced.
- Jacobs Blocking Trophy
- Brian Piccolo Award (Most Courageous Football Student-Athlete)
- All-ACC Football Teams
- ACC Offensive, Defensive and Overall Rookies of the Year
- ACC Offensive, Defensive and Overall Players of the Year
- ACC Coach of the Year

Friday, December 4
• 2026 ACC Football Championship Game Press Conference (participating coaches) — TBD

Saturday, December 5
• 2026 ACC Football Championship Game
Bank of America Stadium, Charlotte, N.C. — Noon 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 strength of schedule, head-to-head results, and comparison of results against common opponents.

THE BRACKET
The 12 participating schools will be the conference champions from the Atlantic Coast Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Southeastern Conference and the highest-ranked team from the American, Conference USA, Mid-American Conference, Mountain West, Pac-12 Conference or Sun Belt Conference, along with the next seven highest-ranked teams. The University of Notre Dame will be included in the playoff if it is ranked among the top 12 teams in the final rankings.

The four highest-ranked schools will be seeded one through four and will receive a first-round bye. The remaining schools will be seeded 5-12 based on their final ranking.

If any of the automatic qualifiers falls outside of the top 12, they will be seeded at the bottom of the 12-team pool. If any are not ranked in the top 25, the committee will evaluate the team(s) using its established selection criteria and determine their relative positions for seeding purposes and seed them at the bottom of the 12-team pool.

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 CFP Quarterfinal games will be played in the Fiesta Bowl on Wednesday, Dec. 30, and the Cotton Bowl Classic, Peach Bowl and Rose Bowl Game on New Year's Day. The following week, the Orange Bowl and Sugar Bowl will host the CFP Semifinals.

CHAMPIONSHIP MONDAY
The two teams that win the CFP 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.

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 Troy Dannen, Mark Dantonio, Mark Harlan, Doug Gillin, Ivan Maisel, Gus Malzahn, Chris Massaro, Randall McDaniel, Mike Riley, Jeff Tedford, Wesley Walls, Carla Williams and Hunter Yurachek (chair).

SELECTION COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES
Rank the top 25 teams and assign the schools to the 12-team playoff bracket.



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CALIFORNIA
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Weekly Press Conference: Tuesday at 2 p.m. ET

CLEMSON
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Shipping: 100 Perimeter Road/Jervey Athletic Center, Clemson, SC 29634
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Secondary Football Contact: Brian Hennessy, bhennes@clemson.edu, 864-986-9046
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Weekly Press Conference: Tuesday at 11 a.m. ET

DUKE
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Shipping: Scott Family Athletics Performance Center, Room 364, 110 Whitford Drive, Durham, NC 27708
Primary Football Contact: Sarah Fetters, sarah.fetters@duke.edu, 984-209-9104
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Weekly Press Conference: Monday at 1 p.m. ET

FLORIDA STATE
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Weekly Press Conference: Monday at 11:30 a.m. ET

GEORGIA TECH
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X: @GTAthletics; @GeorgiaTechFB
Weekly Press Conference: Tuesday at Noon ET

LOUISVILLE
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Primary Football Contact: Stephen Williams, stephen@gocards.com, 502-544-0282
Secondary Football Contact: Matt Paras, paras@gocards.com, 401-215-5656
X: @GoCards; @LouisvilleFB
Weekly Press Conference: Monday at 11 a.m. ET

MIAMI
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Mailing & Shipping: 5821 San Amaro Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33146
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X: @MiamiHurricanes; @CanesFootball
Weekly Press Conference: Monday at 3 p.m. ET

NORTH CAROLINA
Web: GoHeels.com
Mailing: PO Box 2126, Chapel Hill, NC 27514
Shipping: Kenan Football Center, 1 Stone Center Dr., Chapel Hill, NC 27514
Primary Football Contact: Justin Wilson, juwilson@unc.edu, 336-660-8584
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X: @GoHeels; @UNCFootball
Weekly Press Conference: Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. ET

NC STATE
Web: GoPack.com
Mailing: Campus Box 8504, Raleigh, NC 27607
Shipping: Murphy Football Center, 4600 Trinity Road, Raleigh, NC 27607
Primary Football Contact: Annabelle Myers, amyers@ncsu.edu, 919-819-8302
Secondary Football Contact: Brandon Mostyn, bamostyn@ncsu.edu, 248-836-8364
X: @PackAthletics; @PackFootball
Weekly Press Conference: Monday at Noon ET * (schedule may change week to week)

PITT
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Weekly Press Conference: Monday at Noon ET

SMU
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Shipping: 5800 Ownby Drive, Dallas, Texas 75275
Primary Football Contact: Chris Smith, christophersmith@smu.edu, 720-272-6760
Secondary Football Contact: Thomas Hoffman, tghoffman@smu.edu, 503-302-9592
X: @SMUMustangs; @SMUFB
Weekly Press Conference: Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. ET

STANFORD
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Mailing & Shipping: Arrillaga Family Sports Center, 641 East Campus Drive, Stanford, CA 94305
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Secondary Football Contact: Maddie Gotreaux, mhgotreaux@stanford.edu, 650-512-9317
X: @GoStanford; @StanfordFball
Weekly Press Conference: Tuesday at 2 p.m. ET

SYRACUSE
Web: Cuse.com
Mailing & Shipping: John A. Lally Athletic Complex, 1077 Comstock Ave., Syracuse, NY 13244
Primary Football Contact: Tyler Cady, tpcady@syr.edu, 315-941-6569
Secondary Football Contact: Dalton Coppola, drcoppol@syr.edu, 315-443-2608
X: @Cuse; @CuseFootball
Weekly Press Conference: Monday at 1 p.m. ET

VIRGINIA
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Shipping: 295 Massie Road, Charlottesville, VA 22903
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X: @VirginiaSports; @UVAFootball
Weekly Press Conference: Tuesday at 1 p.m. ET

VIRGINIA TECH
Web: HokieSports.com
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Primary Football Contact: Travis Wells, twwells@vt.edu, 540-314-2357
Secondary Football Contact: Mike Skovan, mskovan@vt.edu, 845-204-1777
X: @hokiesports; @HokiesFB
Weekly Press Conference: Monday at Noon ET

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Weekly Press Conference: Monday at 1 p.m. ET