



2017 BIG TEN FOOTBALL

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2017 CONFERENCE & OVERALL STANDINGS

EAST DIVISION

	Conference Games						All Games					
	W-L	PCT	H	A	Div.	Strk	W-L	PCT	H	A	N	Strk
1. Penn State	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	1-0	W10	5-0	1.000	4-0	1-0	0-0	W5
Ohio State	2-0	1.000	0-0	2-0	2-0	W7	4-1	.800	2-1	2-0	0-0	W3
Michigan	1-0	1.000	0-0	1-0	0-0	W1	4-0	1.000	2-0	1-0	1-0	W4
Maryland	1-0	1.000	0-0	1-0	0-0	W2	3-1	.750	1-1	2-0	0-0	W1
Michigan State	1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	3-1	.750	3-1	0-0	0-0	W1
6. Indiana	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	0-2	L2	2-2	.500	1-1	1-1	0-0	L1
Rutgers	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	0-1	L16	1-4	.200	1-3	0-1	0-0	L2

WEST DIVISION

	Conference Games						All Games					
	W-L	PCT	H	A	Div.	Strk	W-L	PCT	H	A	N	Strk
1. Nebraska	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	1-0	W2	3-2	.600	2-1	1-1	0-0	W2
Wisconsin	1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	1-0	W7	4-0	1.000	3-0	1-0	0-0	W5
3. Minnesota	0-1	.000	0-1	0-0	0-0	L2	3-1	.750	2-1	1-0	0-0	L1
Illinois	0-1	.000	0-1	0-0	0-1	L4	2-2	.500	2-1	0-1	0-0	L2
Northwestern	0-1	.000	0-0	0-1	0-1	L1	2-2	.500	2-0	0-2	0-0	L1
Purdue	0-1	.000	0-1	0-0	0-0	L8	2-2	.500	1-1	1-0	0-1	L1
Iowa	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	0-0	L2	3-2	.600	2-1	1-1	0-0	L2

BIG TEN. BIG NEWS.

- Six Big Ten games are on the docket this weekend, including five divisional matchups. Meanwhile, Indiana also plays host to Charleston Southern in the final non-conference game for a Big Ten team this year. The Hoosiers were originally scheduled to host Florida International on Sept. 16, but the game was cancelled due to the aftermath of Hurricane Irma.
- The Big Ten currently features three programs that rank among the top 25 nationally in both scoring offense and defense (Ohio State, Penn State and Wisconsin). Three more conference squads stand among the top 25 nationally in scoring defense (Michigan, Michigan State and Minnesota).
- Three Big Ten teams remain undefeated on the season, as Penn State has won its first five games and both Michigan and Wisconsin are 4-0. The Nittany Lions are 5-0 for the first time since 2008, when the team started 9-0. Both the Wolverines and Badgers are 4-0 for the second consecutive season.
- Penn State running back Saquon Barkley recorded a pair of firsts on Saturday against Indiana, registering his first career kickoff return and passing touchdowns. Barkley became the first Big Ten player and sixth FBS player since 1996 with a kickoff return for a touchdown and a passing touchdown in the same game. He added 56 rushing yards and 51 receiving yards to become the first player in the last 20 years with 50 rushing yards, 50 receiving yards, a passing touchdown and kick return touchdown in a single game.
- With his nine catches against Indiana, Penn State wide receiver DaeSean Hamilton set a new school record with 181 career catches, passing Allen Robinson (177) and Deon Butler (179).
- Maryland running back Ty Johnson broke off a 34-yard game-winning touchdown run with 1:10 remaining in the Terps' win at Minnesota on Saturday. Johnson posted 130 yards on 18 carries for Maryland, which improved to 2-0 on the road and 3-1 overall this season.
- Nebraska's Chris Weber was the leading tackler for a Husker defense that held Illinois to six points, the fewest allowed by Nebraska in a Big Ten road game and the fewest for the Husker defense since a 24-3 win over Michigan State in 2011. Weber led the team with nine tackles, including two tackles for loss and his first career sack, and also added his first career interception.
- Weber was one of nine Big Ten students among the 181 semifinalists for the 2017 William V. Campbell Trophy, which is presented annually to the nation's top football scholar-athlete. Representing the Big Ten this year are Weber, Illinois' Malik Turner, Maryland's Adam Greene, Michigan's Mike Wroblewski, Michigan State's Brian Allen, Minnesota's Andrew Stelter, Northwestern's Justin Jackson, Penn State's Brandon Smith and Wisconsin's Joe Ferguson.

WEEK 6 SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, OCT. 7

- ILLINOIS at IOWA
Noon - BTN
- PENN STATE at NORTHWESTERN
Noon - ABC
- Charleston Southern at INDIANA
3:30 p.m. - BTN
- MINNESOTA at PURDUE
3:30 p.m. - ESPN2
- MARYLAND at OHIO STATE
4 p.m. - FOX
- MICHIGAN STATE at MICHIGAN
7:30 p.m. - ABC
- WISCONSIN at NEBRASKA
8 p.m. - BTN
- BYE: RUTGERS

All times Eastern

WEEK 5 RESULTS

FRIDAY, SEPT. 29

NEBRASKA def. ILLINOIS, 28-6

SATURDAY, SEPT. 30

MARYLAND def. MINNESOTA, 31-24
 PENN STATE def. NORTHWESTERN, 33-24
 MICHIGAN STATE def. IOWA, 17-10
 OHIO STATE def. RUTGERS, 56-0

BYE: MICHIGAN, PURDUE

FOLLOW THE BIG TEN

The Big Ten football page on bigten.org will feature notes, recaps, statistics, standings and more. You can also keep track of Big Ten football in real time by following the conference on Twitter @BIGfootball and @BigTen or becoming a fan of the Big Ten Conference on Facebook to receive exclusive updates.



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The Big Ten Academic Alliance is an academic consortium of all 14 Big Ten universities, which is widely considered to be the model for effective and voluntary collaboration among top research universities.

WEEKLY COACHES TELECONFERENCE

The Big Ten Conference football coaches weekly media teleconferences began on Tuesday, Aug. 29, and continue through Tuesday, Nov. 21.

The calls are held on Tuesdays from 11 a.m. - 12:52 p.m. CT. The calls will be available for play-back roughly two hours following the conclusion of each call at bigten.org.

Contact the Big Ten Communications office for the phone number and weekly passcode.

The coaches order on each call is as follows (all times Central):

- 11:00 a.m. – Chris Ash, Rutgers
- 11:08 a.m. – Jim Harbaugh, Michigan
- 11:16 a.m. – Paul Chryst, Wisconsin
- 11:24 a.m. – Mike Riley, Nebraska
- 11:32 a.m. – Mark Dantonio, Michigan State
- 11:40 a.m. – Kirk Ferentz, Iowa
- 11:48 a.m. – P.J. Fleck, Minnesota
- 11:56 a.m. – Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern
- 12:04 p.m. – Lovie Smith, Illinois
- 12:12 p.m. – DJ Durkin, Maryland
- 12:20 p.m. – Jeff Brohm, Purdue
- 12:28 p.m. – James Franklin, Penn State
- 12:36 p.m. – Urban Meyer, Ohio State
- 12:44 p.m. – Tom Allen, Indiana

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BIG TEN NCAA STATISTICAL LEADERS

TEAM RANKINGS

Rk. Total Offense Avg.

5. Ohio State	564.8
Rk. Scoring Offense Avg.	
11. Ohio State	42.6
14. Penn State	41.4
22. Wisconsin	40.8

Rk. Rushing Offense Avg.

20. Ohio State	241.0
23. Wisconsin	233.8
24. Maryland	233.5

Rk. Passing Offense Avg.

13. Ohio State	323.8
25. Penn State	292.2

Rk. Pass Efficiency Avg.

5. Wisconsin	174.60
12. Ohio State	167.29
21. Penn State	157.76

Rk. Total Defense Avg.

1. Michigan	203.3
4. Wisconsin	247.0
5. Michigan State	248.3
12. Minnesota	283.3
13. Penn State	289.2

Rk. Scoring Defense Avg.

3. Penn State	9.4
8. Michigan	13.5
Wisconsin	13.5
11. Minnesota	13.8
16. Ohio State	16.0
21. Michigan State	18.0

Rk. Rushing Defense Avg.

1. Michigan	69.3
4. Wisconsin	74.3
16. Michigan State	96.0
22. Nebraska	105.8

Rk. Pass Efficiency Defense Avg.

2. Michigan	87.55
5. Michigan State	94.05
6. Penn State	94.78
19. Minnesota	104.61
20. Wisconsin	105.00

Rk. Turnover Margin Avg.

5. Penn State	1.80
15. Ohio State	1.20
18. Purdue	1.00

Rk. Time of Possession Avg.

5. Wisconsin	34:48
6. Michigan State	34:37
8. Minnesota	34:29
18. Michigan	33:18
25. Nebraska	32:56

Rk. Punt Return Yardage Avg.

6. Indiana	20.78
12. Penn State	16.85
18. Illinois	13.75
20. Michigan	13.50

Rk. Kickoff Return Yardage Avg.

3. Ohio State	32.89
4. Nebraska	31.67
7. Penn State	30.89

Rk. All-Purpose Yardage Avg.

1. Saquon Barkley, PSU	243.60
8. Ty Johnson, MD	160.00
15. D.J. Moore, MD	146.25
21. Akrum Wadley, IOWA	142.40

Rk. Total Offense Yardage Avg.

19. Trace McSorley, PSU	306.2
21. Brian Lewerke, MSU	302.8
22. J.T. Barrett, OSU	300.8

Rk. Rushing Yardage Avg.

10. Jonathan Taylor, WIS	129.5
14. Saquon Barkley, PSU	114.8
15. J.K. Dobbins, OSU	114.6
25. Ty Johnson, MD	102.8

Rk. Passing Efficiency Avg.

5. Alex Hornibrook, WIS	176.8
13. J.T. Barrett, OSU	165.6
25. Trace McSorley, PSU	156.4

Rk. Receiving Yardage Avg.

17. D.J. Moore, MD	100.8
22. Stanley Morgan Jr., NEB	98.8

Rk. Receptions Avg.

14. D.J. Moore, MD	7.5
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Rk. Scoring Avg.

7. Quinn Nordin, MICH	11.5
13. Jonathan Taylor, WIS	10.5
21. Shannon Brooks, MINN	10.0

Rk. Points Responsible Avg.

11. J.T. Barrett, OSU	18.4
12. Trace McSorley, PSU	18.0

Rk. Field Goals Avg.

2. Quinn Nordin, MICH	2.75
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Rk. Punting Avg.

6. Ryan Santoso, MINN	46.6
10. Hunter Niswander, NU	45.7
24. Joe Schopper, PUR	44.6
25. Blake Gillikin, PSU	44.4

Rk. Punt Return Yardage Avg.

4. J-Shun Harris II, IND	22.8
8. Deandre Thompkins, PSU	18.7
13. Donovan Peoples-Jones, MICH	14.7
16. D.J. Moore, MD	13.6

Rk. Kickoff Return Yardage Avg.

2. Parris Campbell, OSU	42.3
8. JD Spielman, NEB	36.1
11. Saquon Barkley, PSU	32.3

Rk. Passes Defended Avg.

2. Joshua Jackson, IOWA	2.0
Denzel Ward, OSU	2.0
16. Kiy Hester, RU	1.6

BIG TEN COACHING RECORDS

Coach, School	Career (Yrs)	At School (Yrs)	Big Ten Only
EAST DIVISION			
Tom Allen, IND	2-3 (1st)	2-3 (1st)	0-2
D.J. Durkin, MD	10-8 (2nd)	9-8 (2nd)	4-6
Jim Harbaugh, MICH	82-33 (10th)	24-6 (3rd)	14-4
Mark Dantonio, MSU	111-60 (14th)	93-43 (11th)	54-28
Urban Meyer, OSU	169-30 (16th)	65-7 (6th)	40-2
James Franklin, PSU	54-30 (7th)	30-15 (4th)	15-11
Chris Ash, RU	3-14 (2nd)	3-14 (2nd)	0-11
WEST DIVISION			
Lovie Smith, ILL	5-11 (2nd)	5-11 (2nd)	2-8
Kirk Ferentz, IOWA	150-115 (22nd)	138-94 (19th)	82-65
P.J. Fleck, MINN	33-23 (5th)	3-1 (1st)	0-1
Mike Riley, NEB	111-93 (17th)	18-13 (3rd)	11-8
Pat Fitzgerald, NU	79-64 (12th)	79-64 (12th)	41-49
Jeff Brohm, PUR	32-12 (4th)	2-2 (1st)	0-1
Paul Chryst, WIS	43-26 (6th)	24-7 (3rd)	14-4

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The conference awarded the first Big Ten Medal of Honor in 1915, honoring outstanding seniors who demonstrated excellence in academics and athletics.

2017 WEEK BY WEEK ATTENDANCE

	ALL GAMES			CONFERENCE GAMES				
	Games	Total	Average	Sellouts	Games	Total	Average	Sellouts
8/31-9/2	10	624,225	62,423	2	1	52,929	52,929	1
9/8-9	9	643,144	71,460	3	--	--	--	--
9/15-16	8	595,204	74,401	3	--	--	--	--
9/23	7	472,398	67,485	3	3	216,022	72,007	2
9/29-30	6	394,354	65,726	2	6	394,354	65,726	2
10/7								
10/14								
10/21								
10/28								
11/4								
11/11								
11/18								
11/24-25								
TOTAL	40	2,729,325	68,233	13	10	663,305	66,331	5

2017 BIG TEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

9/4	O	QB J.T. Barrett, OSU
		RB Saquon Barkley, PSU
	D	LB Josey Jewell, IOWA
	S	DB Antoine Brooks, MD
		K Quinn Nordin, MICH-FR
	F	RB J.K. Dobbins, OSU
9/11	O	QB Nate Stanley, IOWA
		RB Jonathan Taylor, WIS-FR
	D	DB Tyree Kinnel, MICH
	S	WR J-Shun Harris II, IND
	F	RB Jonathan Taylor, WIS
9/18	O	QB Alex Hornibrook, WIS
	D	DB Jacob Huff, MINN
	S	K Quinn Nordin, MICH-FR
	F	RB J.K. Dobbins, OSU
		QB Johnathan Lewis, RU
9/25	O	RB Saquon Barkley, PSU
	D	LB Josey Jewell, IOWA
		DL Chase Winovich, MICH
	S	WR J-Shun Harris II, IND
	F	RB Morgan Ellison, IND
10/2	O	WR Felton Davis III, MSU
		WR DaeSean Hamilton, PSU
	D	S Natrell Jamerson, WIS
	S	RB Saquon Barkley, PSU
	F	LB Ben Stille, NEB

2017-18 BIG TEN BOWL DESTINATIONS



Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl
Dec. 26, 2017
Noon ET, ESPN
Dallas, Texas
Cotton Bowl Stadium
Big Ten vs. Big 12



TaxSlayer Bowl
Dec. 30, 2017
Noon ET, ESPN
Jacksonville, Fla.
EverBank Field
Big Ten or ACC/Notre Dame vs. SEC



Quick Lane Bowl
Dec. 26, 2017
5:15 p.m. ET, ESPN
Detroit, Mich.
Ford Field
Big Ten vs. ACC/Notre Dame



Capital One Orange Bowl
Dec. 30, 2017
8 p.m. ET, ESPN
Miami Gardens, Fla.
Hard Rock Stadium
Big Ten/SEC/Notre Dame vs. ACC



New Era Pinstripe Bowl
Dec. 27, 2017
5:15 p.m. ET, ESPN
Bronx, N.Y.
Yankee Stadium
Big Ten vs. ACC/Notre Dame



Outback Bowl
Jan. 1, 2018
Noon ET, ESPN2
Tampa, Fla.
Raymond James Stadium
Big Ten vs. SEC



Foster Farms Bowl
Dec. 27, 2017
8:30 p.m. ET, FOX
Santa Clara, Calif.
Levi's Stadium
Big Ten vs. Pac-12



Citrus Bowl
Jan. 1, 2018
1 p.m. ET, ABC
Orlando, Fla.
Camping World Stadium
Big Ten or ACC/Notre Dame vs. SEC



San Diego County Credit Union Holiday Bowl
Dec. 28, 2017
9 p.m. ET, FS1
San Diego, Calif.
Qualcomm Stadium
Big Ten vs. Pac-12



Rose Bowl Game
Presented by Northwestern Mutual
2017-18 CFP Semifinal
Jan. 1, 2018
5:10 p.m. ET, ESPN
Pasadena, Calif.
Rose Bowl Stadium
Big Ten vs. Pac-12



Franklin American Mortgage Music City Bowl
Dec. 29, 2017
4:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Nashville, Tenn.
Nissan Stadium
Big Ten or ACC/Notre Dame vs. SEC

2017-18 COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF BOWLS

Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic
Dec. 29, 2017
8:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Arlington, Texas
AT&T Stadium

Capital One Orange Bowl
Dec. 30, 2017
8 p.m. ET, ESPN
Miami Gardens, Fla.
Hard Rock Stadium

Rose Bowl Game
Presented by Northwestern Mutual
2017-18 CFP National Semifinal
Jan. 1, 2018
5:10 p.m. ET, ESPN
Pasadena, Calif.
Rose Bowl Stadium

PlayStation Fiesta Bowl
Dec. 30, 2017
4 p.m. ET, ESPN
Glendale, Ariz.
University of Phoenix Stadium

Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl
Jan. 1, 2018
12:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Atlanta, Ga.
Mercedes-Benz Stadium

Allstate Sugar Bowl
2017-18 CFP National Semifinal
Jan. 1, 2018
8:45 p.m. ET, ESPN
New Orleans, La.
Mercedes-Benz Superdome

BIG LIFE. BIG STAGE. BIG TEN.

The Big Ten became the first conference to voluntarily adopt male and female participation goals after launching its Gender Equity Action Plan in 1992.

BIG TEN FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

The 2017 Big Ten Football Championship Game will kick off from Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis at 8 p.m. ET on Dec. 2, 2017.

The winner of the East Division will meet the winner of the West Division, with the game's victor earning the Big Ten Championship and a chance to play in one of the six bowls that comprise the College Football Playoff, including the Rose Bowl Game.

FOX will once again serve as the official broadcast partner of the Big Ten Football Championship Game, while Lucas Oil Stadium will host the title games through 2021.

Tickets for the 2017 Big Ten Football Championship Game are now on sale through Ticketmaster at ticketmaster.com or by calling (800) 745-3000. In addition, every Big Ten Football Championship Game ticket includes complimentary admission to the Big Ten Fan Fest presented by Dr. Pepper, to be held at the Indiana Convention Center on Friday and Saturday, December 1-2. For more information, visit the official Big Ten Conference web site (bigten.org).

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

QUICK FACTS

Date: Saturday, Dec. 2, 2017
Time: 8 p.m. ET
Television: FOX
Site: Indianapolis, Ind.
Facility: Lucas Oil Stadium
Surface: FieldTurf
Capacity: 66,700

BIG TEN FOOTBALL AWARDS

The Big Ten will continue to honor its past while recognizing its current standouts at the conclusion of the 2017 campaign. The Big Ten's enhanced football awards program presents 19 individual trophies in addition to the Big Ten Championship trophy, bearing the names of one or two former standouts. The distinguished names on these football awards honor just a small sampling of the countless students and coaches who have contributed to the conference's rich and storied history.

Seventeen of the honors will be awarded immediately following the regular season, including awards for the best quarterback, running back, receiver, tight end, offensive lineman, defensive lineman, linebacker, defensive back, kicker, punter and return specialist. Each of these individual position awards features the names of two former standouts.

The Big Ten will also continue to honor the conference's top coaches, offensive and defensive players and linemen and freshmen with end-of-year trophies. Big Ten coaches have the opportunity to claim two awards. Media voters will select the Dave McClain Coach of the Year, which has been awarded since 1972, while coaches vote for the Hayes-Schembechler Coach of the Year award. The top offensive player will receive the Graham-George Offensive Player of the Year award, the best defensive player will be awarded the Nagurski-Woodson Defensive Player of the Year award and the top freshman will receive the Thompson-Randle El Freshman of the Year award.

The winner of the Big Ten Football Championship Game will receive the Amos Alonzo Stagg Championship Trophy, while the most outstanding player in the game will be awarded the Grange-Griffin Championship Game Most Valuable Player award. The conference also created two postcollegiate awards - the Ford-Kinnick Leadership Award and the Dungy-Thompson Humanitarian Award.

The full list of awards, along with a breakdown of the former standouts appearing in each award's name, appears to the right.

NAME OF AWARD	NAMED FOR
Championship Game Awards	
Amos Alonzo Stagg Championship Trophy	Amos Alonzo Stagg, Chicago
Grange-Griffin Championship Game MVP <i>(media vote only)</i>	Harold Edward "Red" Grange, Illinois Archie Griffin, Ohio State
Postcollegiate Awards <i>(vote by school administrators)</i>	
Ford-Kinnick Leadership Award	Gerald R. Ford, Michigan Nile Kinnick, Iowa
Dungy-Thompson Humanitarian Award	Tony Dungy, Minnesota Anthony Thompson, Indiana
Annual Awards <i>(combined vote by coaches and media, unless otherwise noted)</i>	
Graham-George Offensive Player of the Year	Otto Graham, Northwestern Eddie George, Ohio State
Nagurski-Woodson Defensive Player of the Year	Bronislaw "Bronko" Nagurski, Minnesota Charles Woodson, Michigan
Hayes-Schembechler Coach of the Year <i>(coaches vote only)</i>	Wayne Woodrow "Woody" Hayes, Ohio State Glenn Edward "Bo" Schembechler, Michigan
Dave McClain Coach of the Year <i>(media vote only)</i>	Dave McClain, Wisconsin
Thompson-Randle El Freshman of the Year	Darrell Thompson, Minnesota Antwaan Randle El, Indiana
Rimington-Pace Offensive Lineman of the Year	Dave Rimington, Nebraska Orlando Pace, Ohio State
Smith-Brown Defensive Lineman of the Year	Charles Aaron "Bubba" Smith, Michigan State Courtney Brown, Penn State
Griese-Brees Quarterback of the Year	Bob Griese, Purdue Drew Brees, Purdue
Ameche-Dayne Running Back of the Year	Alan Ameche, Wisconsin Ron Dayne, Wisconsin
Tatum-Woodson Defensive Back of the Year	Jack Tatum, Ohio State Rod Woodson, Purdue
Butkus-Fitzgerald Linebacker of the Year	Dick Butkus, Illinois Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern
Richter-Howard Receiver of the Year	Pat Richter, Wisconsin Desmond Howard, Michigan
Kwalick-Clark Tight End of the Year	Ted Kwalick, Penn State Dallas Clark, Iowa
Bakken-Andersen Kicker of the Year	Jim Bakken, Wisconsin Morten Andersen, Michigan State
Eddleman-Fields Punter of the Year	Thomas Dwight "Dike" Eddleman, Illinois Brandon Fields, Michigan State
Rodgers-Dwight Return Specialist of the Year	Johnny Rodgers, Nebraska Tim Dwight, Iowa

BIG LIFE. BIG STAGE. BIG TEN.

The Big Ten took part in the nation's first bowl game, winning the 1902 Rose Bowl Game, and signed an exclusive contract with the Tournament of Roses in 1946, making it the first bowl with permanent conference affiliations.



Big Life. Big Stage. Big Ten.

Since its inception in 1896, the pursuit and attainment of academic excellence has been a priority for every Big Ten member institution. But maintaining the conference's standard of competing at the highest level in athletics also endures as an important component of the Big Ten experience. Striking that balance between academics and athletics is integral to the Big Ten's identity. Recognized as one of intercollegiate sports' most successful undertakings, the Big Ten strives for success from its students not only on the field and in the classroom, but around the world as well.

PREMIER ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS

The Big Ten Academic Alliance is an academic consortium of all 14 Big Ten universities, which is widely considered to be the model for effective and voluntary collaboration among top research universities.

Every Big Ten Academic Alliance institution ranks among the top 78 universities in the nation according to the 2014 Academic Ranking of World Universities, including six in the top 25.

The Big Ten leads all conferences with more than 1,700 Academic All-Americans, including 47 honorees during the 2016-17 academic year.

Big Ten Academic Alliance schools annually conduct \$10 billion in funded research, \$5 billion more than any other conference.

A HISTORY OF ATHLETIC SUCCESS

Big Ten schools have won at least seven national championships in seven of the last nine academic years and at least five in each of the last 20 years.

In the last four full academic years, current Big Ten institutions have claimed 28 team national championships in 15 different sports.

Over the last 11 full academic years, current Big Ten institutions have won 82 team national titles in 23 different sports.

BROAD-BASED PROGRAMMING

The Big Ten will administer over \$200 million in direct financial support to more than 9,500 students competing in intercollegiate athletics for more than 11,000 participation opportunities on 350 teams in 42 different sports.

The Big Ten sponsors 28 official conference sports, 14 for men and 14 for women, including the addition of men's ice hockey and men's and women's lacrosse the last three years.

The Big Ten leads the nation in total students competing in intercollegiate athletics and participation opportunities, and sponsors more official sports than all conferences except the Ivy League.

Almost 1,400 Big Ten competitors have participated in the Olympics, winning more than 600 medals, including nearly 300 gold. In the 2016 Olympic Games, 159 representatives from Big Ten institutions including current or former students and coaches were members to Olympic teams. Big Ten Olympians collected 47 medals in Rio.

PASSIONATE FOLLOWING

The Big Ten leads all conferences with 5.7 million alumni and nearly 580,000 students.

Each year more than 11 million patrons attend Big Ten home contests, as the conference leads the nation in attendance for men's basketball, hockey, volleyball and wrestling.

LEADERS IN INNOVATION

Took part in the nation's first bowl game, winning the 1902 Rose Bowl Game, and signed an exclusive contract with the Tournament of Roses in 1946, making it the first bowl with permanent conference affiliations.

Awarded the first Big Ten Medal of Honor in 1915, honoring outstanding seniors who demonstrated excellence in academics and athletics.

Formed the Big Ten Advisory Commission in 1972, enlisting former students that competed in conference athletics to serve as liaisons to the NCAA's Diversity and Inclusion Department, the Big Ten Student-Athlete Advisory Commission and other organizations.

Became the first conference to voluntarily adopt male and female participation goals after launching its Gender Equity Action Plan in 1992.

Implemented the first collegiate football system of instant replay in 2004, which the NCAA approved for use among all conferences in 2006.

Launched the Big Ten Network (BTN) in 2007, the first national conference-owned television network.

Began partnering with the Ivy League to study the effects of head injuries in sports in 2012.

Accepted Johns Hopkins University as the conference's first sport affiliate members in men's and women's lacrosse in 2013 and 2015, respectively.

EXTENSIVE TELEVISION EXPOSURE

Through the Big Ten's current media agreements with BTN, ABC/ESPN, CBS and FOX, nearly 1,400 Big Ten events are produced and distributed nationally and globally on an annual basis.

BTN is in more than 60 million homes across the United States and Canada. BTN2Go is BTN's digital extension, delivering live and on-demand programming to computers, smartphones and tablets. BTN Plus within BTN2Go streams hundreds of additional events each season.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

For more than 25 years, through the Big Ten's SCORE (Success Comes Out of Reading Everyday) program, the conference has partnered with Chicago elementary schools to improve reading performance.

Surrounding the Big Ten Football Championship Game and Basketball Tournaments, the conference has held numerous community initiatives, such as the Big Ten Career Expo, SaturDAY of Service and Youth Football Clinics. In addition, the Big Ten has hosted a downtown 5K, collaborated with a local breast cancer awareness group and provided unique event experiences for military veterans.

2017 COMPOSITE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE/MATCHUP	TIME	BROADCAST	DATE/MATCHUP	TIME	BROADCAST
THURSDAY, AUG. 31			SATURDAY, OCT. 7		
Buffalo at MINNESOTA	7 p.m.	BTN	ILLINOIS at IOWA (HC)	Noon	BTN
OHIO STATE at INDIANA	8 p.m.	ESPN	PENN STATE at NORTHWESTERN (HC)	Noon	ABC
FRIDAY, SEPT. 1			Charleston Southern at INDIANA	3:30 p.m.	BTN
Washington at RUTGERS	8 p.m.	FS1	MINNESOTA at PURDUE	3:30 p.m.	ESPN2
Utah State at WISCONSIN	9 p.m.	ESPN	MARYLAND at OHIO STATE (HC)	4 p.m.	FOX
SATURDAY, SEPT. 2			MICHIGAN STATE at MICHIGAN	7:30 p.m.	ABC
Ball State at ILLINOIS	Noon	BTN	WISCONSIN at NEBRASKA	8 p.m.	BTN
Wyoming at IOWA	Noon	BTN	SATURDAY, OCT. 14		
MARYLAND at Texas	Noon	BTN	RUTGERS at ILLINOIS	Noon	BTN
Bowling Green at MICHIGAN STATE	Noon	ESPN	MICHIGAN at INDIANA (HC)	Noon	ABC/ESPN
Akron at PENN STATE	Noon	ABC	NORTHWESTERN at MARYLAND	3:30 p.m.	ESPN2
Florida vs. MICHIGAN (1)	3:30 p.m.	ABC	PURDUE at WISCONSIN	3:30 p.m.	BTN
Nevada at NORTHWESTERN	3:30 p.m.	BTN	OHIO STATE at NEBRASKA	7:30 p.m.	FS1
Louisville vs. PURDUE (2)	7:30 p.m.	FOX	MICHIGAN STATE at MINNESOTA	8 p.m.	BTN
Arkansas State at NEBRASKA	8 p.m.	BTN	SATURDAY, OCT. 21		
FRIDAY, SEPT. 8			PURDUE at RUTGERS (HC)	Noon	TBA
Ohio at PURDUE	8 p.m.	FS1	MARYLAND at WISCONSIN (HC)	Noon	TBA
SATURDAY, SEPT. 9			INDIANA at MICHIGAN STATE (HC)	3:30 or 4 p.m.	TBA
IOWA at Iowa State	Noon	ESPN2	ILLINOIS at MINNESOTA (HC)	3:30 or 4 p.m.	TBA
Towson at MARYLAND	Noon	BTN	IOWA at NORTHWESTERN		
Cincinnati at MICHIGAN	Noon	ABC	MICHIGAN at PENN STATE		
NORTHWESTERN at Duke	Noon	ESPN	SATURDAY, OCT. 28		
Florida Atlantic at WISCONSIN	Noon	ESPN	WISCONSIN at ILLINOIS (HC)	Noon	TBA
INDIANA at Virginia	3:30 p.m.	BTN	RUTGERS at MICHIGAN (HC)	Noon	TBA
Western Michigan at MICHIGAN STATE	3:30 p.m.	ESPN	PENN STATE at OHIO STATE	3:30 p.m.	FOX
Pittsburgh at PENN STATE	3:30 p.m.	ABC	INDIANA at MARYLAND (HC)	3:30 or 4 p.m.	TBA
Eastern Michigan at RUTGERS	3:30 p.m.	BTN	MICHIGAN STATE at NORTHWESTERN	TBA	ABC/ESPN/ESPN2
NEBRASKA at Oregon	4:30 p.m.	FOX	MINNESOTA at IOWA		
Oklahoma at OHIO STATE	7:30 p.m.	ABC	NEBRASKA at PURDUE		
Western Kentucky at ILLINOIS	8 p.m.	BTN	SATURDAY, NOV. 4		
MINNESOTA at Oregon State	10 p.m.	FS1	ILLINOIS at PURDUE		
FRIDAY, SEPT. 15			MARYLAND at RUTGERS (3)		
ILLINOIS at South Florida	7 p.m.	ESPN	MINNESOTA at MICHIGAN		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 16			NORTHWESTERN at NEBRASKA		
Air Force at MICHIGAN	Noon	BTN	OHIO STATE at IOWA		
Northern Illinois at NEBRASKA	Noon	FS1	PENN STATE at MICHIGAN STATE		
North Texas at IOWA	3:30 p.m.	ESPN2	WISCONSIN at INDIANA		
Middle Tennessee at MINNESOTA	3:30 p.m.	BTN	SATURDAY, NOV. 11		
Morgan State at RUTGERS	3:30 p.m.	BTN	RUTGERS at PENN STATE (HC)	Noon	TBA
WISCONSIN at BYU	3:30 p.m.	ABC	INDIANA at ILLINOIS		
PURDUE at Missouri	4 p.m.	SEC Network	IOWA at WISCONSIN		
Army West Point at OHIO STATE	4:30 p.m.	FOX	MICHIGAN at MARYLAND		
Bowling Green at NORTHWESTERN	7:30 p.m.	BTN	MICHIGAN STATE at OHIO STATE		
Georgia State at PENN STATE	7:30 p.m.	BTN	NEBRASKA at MINNESOTA		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 23			PURDUE at NORTHWESTERN		
UNLV at OHIO STATE	Noon	BTN	SATURDAY, NOV. 18		
Central Florida at MARYLAND	3 p.m.	FS1	ILLINOIS at OHIO STATE		
Georgia Southern at INDIANA	3:30 p.m.	BTN	MARYLAND at MICHIGAN STATE		
RUTGERS at NEBRASKA (HC)	3:30 p.m.	BTN	MICHIGAN at WISCONSIN		
MICHIGAN AT PURDUE (HC)	4 p.m.	FOX	MINNESOTA at NORTHWESTERN		
PENN STATE at IOWA	7:30 p.m.	ABC	NEBRASKA at PENN STATE		
Notre Dame at MICHIGAN STATE	8 p.m.	FOX	PURDUE at IOWA		
FRIDAY, SEPT. 29			RUTGERS at INDIANA		
NEBRASKA at ILLINOIS	8 p.m.	FS1	FRIDAY, NOV. 24		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 30			IOWA at NEBRASKA	4 p.m.	FS1
MARYLAND at MINNESOTA	Noon	FS1	SATURDAY, NOV. 25		
NORTHWESTERN at WISCONSIN	Noon	ABC	OHIO STATE at MICHIGAN	Noon	FOX
INDIANA at PENN STATE	3:30 p.m.	BTN	INDIANA at PURDUE		
IOWA at MICHIGAN STATE	4 p.m.	FOX	MICHIGAN STATE at RUTGERS		
OHIO STATE at RUTGERS	7:30 p.m.	BTN	NORTHWESTERN at ILLINOIS		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 23			PENN STATE at MARYLAND		
FRIDAY, SEPT. 29			WISCONSIN at MINNESOTA		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 30			SATURDAY, DEC. 2		
FRIDAY, SEPT. 29			Big Ten Championship Game (2)	8 p.m.	FOX
SATURDAY, SEPT. 30			<i>(1) - at Arlington, Texas (AT&T Stadium) (3) - at Bronx, N.Y. (Yankee Stadium)</i>		
FRIDAY, SEPT. 29			<i>(2) - at Indianapolis, Ind. (Lucas Oil Stadium)</i>		

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