



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	3-0	1.000	1-0	2-0	1-0	W11	6-0	1.000	4-0	2-0	0-0	W6
Ohio State	3-0	1.000	1-0	2-0	3-0	W8	5-1	.833	3-1	2-0	0-0	W4
Michigan State	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	1-0	W2	4-1	.800	3-1	1-0	0-0	W2
4. Michigan	1-1	.500	0-1	1-0	0-1	L1	4-1	.800	2-1	1-0	1-0	L1
Maryland	1-1	.500	0-0	1-1	0-1	L1	3-2	.600	1-1	2-1	0-0	L1
6. Indiana	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	0-2	L2	3-2	.600	2-1	1-1	0-0	W1
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. Wisconsin	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	2-0	W8	5-0	1.000	3-0	2-0	0-0	W6
2. Nebraska	2-1	.667	1-1	1-0	1-1	L1	3-3	.500	2-2	1-1	0-0	L1
3. Purdue	1-1	.500	1-1	0-0	1-0	W1	3-2	.600	2-1	1-0	0-1	W1
4. Iowa	1-2	.333	1-1	0-1	1-0	W1	4-2	.667	3-1	1-1	0-0	W1
5. Minnesota	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	0-1	L3	3-2	.600	2-1	1-1	0-0	L2
Illinois	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	0-2	L5	2-3	.400	2-1	0-2	0-0	L3
Northwestern	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	0-1	L2	2-3	.400	2-1	0-2	0-0	L2

BIG TEN. BIG NEWS.

- Two Big Ten teams remain undefeated on the season, as Penn State has won its first six games and Wisconsin is 5-0. The Nittany Lions are 6-0 for the first time since 2008, when the team started 9-0. The Badgers are 5-0 for the first time since winning their first six games in 2011.
- The Big Ten currently features three programs that rank among the top 20 nationally in both scoring offense and defense (Ohio State, Penn State and Wisconsin). Four more conference squads stand among the top 25 nationally in scoring defense (Iowa, Michigan, Michigan State and Minnesota).
- Penn State became the first Big Ten school to secure a bowl berth, while Ohio State and Wisconsin can do likewise with a victory this weekend. The Big Ten will continue to feature the largest bowl lineup in conference history, and the full list of Big Ten postseason destinations can be found on page three.
- Michigan State forced five Michigan turnovers (two fumbles, three interceptions), the most by a Spartan team since 2015. Safety David Dowell had a career game, collecting two interceptions, a fumble recovery and a career-high seven tackles.
- Wisconsin running back Jonathan Taylor rushed for a career-high 249 yards and two touchdowns in Wisconsin's to a victory at Nebraska to become the second true freshman in program history to record multiple 200-yard rushing games and the first since Ron Dayne in 1996. Taylor's 249 rushing yards were the most by a Badger in a road game since Melvin Gordon rushed for 259 yards at Northwestern in 2014.
- Maryland running back Ty Johnson registered his first career kick return touchdown with a 100-yard return in the first quarter at Ohio State. His touchdown marked the 37th 100-yard kickoff return touchdown in Big Ten history and the first since fellow Terp Will Likely did so against Iowa on Oct. 31, 2015.
- With its 27-0 win over Charleston Southern, Indiana posted its first shutout since defeating Michigan State 10-0 on Oct. 30, 1993. The Hoosiers allowed zero completions (0-for-10) for the seventh time in school history and the first time since 1985 season against Minnesota.
- Five Big Ten standouts who have demonstrated excellence both on and off the field were selected as candidates for the 2017 Senior CLASS Award in collegiate football. To be eligible for the award, a student-athlete must be classified as an NCAA Division I FBS senior and have notable achievements in four areas of excellence: community, classroom, character and competition. The list of candidates includes Indiana's Rashard Fant, Iowa's Josey Jewell, Nebraska's Drew Brown and Ohio State's J.T. Barrett and Billy Price.

WEEK 7 SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, OCT. 14

RUTGERS at ILLINOIS
Noon - BTN

MICHIGAN at INDIANA
Noon - ABC

NORTHWESTERN at MARYLAND
3:30 p.m. - ESPN2

PURDUE at WISCONSIN
3:30 p.m. - BTN

OHIO STATE at NEBRASKA
7:30 p.m. - FS1

MICHIGAN STATE at MINNESOTA
8 p.m. - BTN

BYE: IOWA, PENN STATE

All times Eastern

WEEK 6 RESULTS

SATURDAY, OCT. 7

IOWA def. ILLINOIS, 45-16
 PENN STATE def. NORTHWESTERN, 31-7
 INDIANA def. Charleston Southern, 27-0
 PURDUE def. MINNESOTA, 31-17
 OHIO STATE def. MARYLAND, 62-14
 MICHIGAN STATE def. MICHIGAN, 14-10
 WISCONSIN def. NEBRASKA, 38-17

BYE: RUTGERS

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 @B1Gfootball and @BigTen or becoming a fan of the Big Ten Conference on Facebook to receive exclusive updates.



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BIG LIFE. BIG STAGE. BIG TEN.

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.

4. Ohio State	568.0
4. Ohio State	45.8
17. Wisconsin	40.2
19. Penn State	39.7

Rk. Rushing Offense Avg.

16. Wisconsin	257.6
18. Ohio State	245.8

Rk. Passing Offense Avg.

14. Ohio State	322.2
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Rk. Pass Efficiency Avg.

7. Ohio State	166.55
10. Wisconsin	165.53
25. Penn State	153.85

Rk. Total Defense Avg.

1. Michigan	213.0
4. Michigan State	258.6
10. Wisconsin	273.8
12. Penn State	285.2
14. Ohio State	290.7
22. Minnesota	314.4

Rk. All-Purpose Yardage Avg.

2. Saquon Barkley, PSU	217.00
4. Ty Johnson, MD	177.20
11. Jonathan Taylor, WIS	153.40
17. Akrum Wadley, IOWA	140.17

Rk. Total Offense Yardage Avg.

21. J.T. Barrett, OSU	304.0
25. Trace McSorley, PSU	295.8

Rk. Rushing Yardage Avg.

4. Jonathan Taylor, WIS	153.4
16. J.K. Dobbins, OSU	111.5
18. Saquon Barkley, PSU	108.2

Rk. Passing Efficiency Avg.

8. Alex Hornibrook, WIS	167.2
10. J.T. Barrett, OSU	166.0
23. Trace McSorley, PSU	154.1

Rk. Receiving Yardage Avg.

16. Stanley Morgan Jr., NEB	102.0
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Rk. Scoring Defense Avg.

1. Penn State	9.0
7. Michigan	13.6
9. Wisconsin	14.2
10. Ohio State	15.7
13. Michigan State	16.4
16. Minnesota	17.2
25. Iowa	18.7

Rk. Rushing Defense Avg.

4. Wisconsin	81.4
6. Michigan	87.0
12. Michigan State	97.2
25. Minnesota	114.2
2. Michigan	126.0
13. Michigan State	161.4
16. Penn State	167.8
17. Ohio State	170.2

Rk. Turnover Margin Avg.

2. Penn State	2.0
17. Ohio State	1.0

INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Rk. Receptions Avg.

22. Simmie Cobbs Jr., IND	6.6
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Rk. Scoring Avg.

9. Jonathan Taylor, WIS	10.8
19. Quinn Nordin, MICH	10.0

Rk. Points Responsible Avg.

11. J.T. Barrett, OSU	19.3
17. Trace McSorley, PSU	17.0

Rk. Field Goals Avg.

4. Quinn Nordin, MICH	2.40
25. Chase McLaughlin, ILL	1.60

Rk. Punting Avg.

23. Ryan Santos, MINN	44.4
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Rk. Punt Return Yardage Avg.

3. J-Shun Harris II, IND	22.8
4. Deandre Thompkins, PSU	17.1
14. D.J. Moore, MD	13.6
20. Donovan Peoples-Jones, MICH	12.0

Rk. Time of Possession Avg.

4. Wisconsin	35:11
6. Minnesota	34:09
13. Michigan State	33:31
23. Michigan	32:49

Rk. Punt Return Yardage Avg.

6. Indiana	17.69
11. Penn State	15.75
25. Maryland	12.36

Rk. Kickoff Return Yardage Avg.

2. Penn State	30.89
3. Ohio State	30.67
6. Nebraska	29.09

Rk. Kickoff Return Yardage Avg.

3. Parris Campbell, OSU	39.0
7. JD Spielman, NEB	34.4
9. Saquon Barkley, PSU	32.3
17. Ty Johnson, MD	28.6
8. Joshua Jackson, IOWA	1.7
Denzel Ward, OSU	1.7
Christian Campbell, PSU	1.7
14. Kiy Hester, RU	1.6
25. Lavert Hill, MICH	1.4
Natrell Jamerson, WIS	1.4
Nick Nelson, WIS	1.4

BIG TEN COACHING RECORDS

Coach, School	Career (Yrs)	At School (Yrs)	Big Ten Only
EAST DIVISION			
Tom Allen, IND	3-3 (1st)	3-3 (1st)	0-2
D.J. Durkin, MD	10-9 (2nd)	9-9 (2nd)	4-7
Jim Harbaugh, MICH	82-34 (10th)	24-7 (3rd)	14-5
Mark Dantonio, MSU	112-60 (14th)	94-43 (11th)	55-28
Urban Meyer, OSU	170-30 (16th)	66-7 (6th)	41-2
James Franklin, PSU	55-30 (7th)	31-15 (4th)	16-11
Chris Ash, RU	3-14 (2nd)	3-14 (2nd)	0-11
WEST DIVISION			
Lovie Smith, ILL	5-12 (2nd)	5-12 (2nd)	2-9
Kirk Ferentz, IOWA	151-115 (22nd)	139-94 (19th)	83-65
P.J. Fleck, MINN	33-24 (5th)	3-2 (1st)	0-2
Mike Riley, NEB	111-94 (17th)	18-14 (3rd)	11-9
Pat Fitzgerald, NU	79-65 (12th)	79-65 (12th)	41-50
Jeff Brohm, PUR	33-12 (4th)	3-2 (1st)	1-1
Paul Chryst, WIS	44-26 (6th)	25-7 (3rd)	15-4

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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	7	498,507	71,215	3	6	462,512	77,085	3
10/14								
10/21								
10/28								
11/4								
11/11								
11/18								
11/24-25								
TOTAL	47	3,227,832	68,677	16	16	1,125,817	70,364	8

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
10/9	O	RB Jonathan Taylor, WIS-FR
	D	LB Joe Bachie, MSU
	S	RB Ty Johnson, MD
	F	RB Jonathan Taylor, WIS

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	Bronislau "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	FS1	RUTGERS at ILLINOIS	Noon	BTN
Bowling Green at MICHIGAN STATE	Noon	ESPNU	MICHIGAN at INDIANA (HC)	Noon	ABC
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			IOWA at NORTHWESTERN	Noon	ABC/ESPN/ESPN2
Ohio at PURDUE	8 p.m.	FS1	PURDUE at RUTGERS (HC)	Noon	BTN
SATURDAY, SEPT. 9			MARYLAND at WISCONSIN (HC)	Noon	FOX
IOWA at Iowa State	Noon	ESPN2	INDIANA at MICHIGAN STATE (HC)	3:30 p.m.	ABC/ESPN/ESPN2
Towson at MARYLAND	Noon	BTN	ILLINOIS at MINNESOTA (HC)	3:30 p.m.	BTN
Cincinnati at MICHIGAN	Noon	ABC	MICHIGAN at PENN STATE	7:30 p.m.	ABC
NORTHWESTERN at Duke	Noon	ESPNU	SATURDAY, OCT. 28		
Florida Atlantic at WISCONSIN	Noon	BTN	WISCONSIN at ILLINOIS (HC)	Noon	TBA
INDIANA at Virginia	3:30 p.m.	ESPNU	RUTGERS at MICHIGAN (HC)	Noon	TBA
Western Michigan at MICHIGAN STATE	3:30 p.m.	BTN	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.	ESPNU	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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