

# **2020 BIG TEN FOOTBALL** WEEKLY RELEASE - OCTOBER 26

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#### **2020 CONFERENCE & OVERALL STANDINGS**

#### **EAST DIVISION**

Conference Games							All Games							
	W-L	PCT	Н	Α	Div.	Strk		W-L	PCT	н	Α	N	Strk	
Indiana	1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	1-0	W2		1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	
Rutgers	1-0	1.000	0-0	1-0	1-0	W1		1-0	1.000	0-0	1-0	0-0	W1	
Michigan	1-0	1.000	0-0	1-0	0-0	W1		1-0	1.000	0-0	1-0	0-0	W1	
Ohio State	1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	0-0	W14		1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	
Maryland	0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-0	L7		0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-0	L8	
Michigan State	0-1	0.000	0-1	0-0	0-1	L1		0-1	0.000	0-1	0-0	0-0	L1	
Penn State	0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-1	L1		0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-0	L1	

#### **WEST DIVISION**

Conference Games						All Games							
	W-L	PCT	Н	Α	Div.	Strk		W-L	PCT	Н	Α	N	Strk
Purdue	1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	1-0	1.000		1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1
Wisconsin	1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	1-0	1.000		1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1
Northwestern	1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	0-0	0.000		1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1
Illinois	0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-1	0.000		0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-0	L1
Iowa	0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-1	0.000		0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-0	L1
Minnesota	0-1	0.000	0-1	0-0	0-0	0.000		0-1	0.000	0-1	0-0	0-0	L1
Nebraska	0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-0	0.000		0-1	0.000	0-0	0-1	0-0	L1

#### **BIG TEN. BIG NEWS.**

- All 14 Big Ten schools will be in action as week two of the 2020 season kicks off Friday evening when Maryland welcomes Minnesota, while Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Nebraska, Penn State and Rutgers will each open their home schedules on Saturday.
- Purdue wide receiver David Bell caught 13 passes for 121 yards and a career-high three touchdowns, including the game-winning touchdown with 2:15 remaining in the fourth quarter, in a come-from-behind win against lowa on Saturday. Dating back to last season, it was his fourth straight game with more than 100 yards receiving and his seventh such game in 13 career contests. Bell is the third Boilermaker to catch three touchdown passes in a game in the last 15 seasons.
- Indiana's Michael Penix forced overtime with a two-point conversion run with 22 seconds left, then scored on a diving two-point conversion to give Indiana a season-opening 36-35 upset victory over No. 8 Penn State on Saturday. The Hoosiers defeated an AP Top 10 team for the first time since beating ninthranked Ohio State in 1987. The win also marked the highest-ranked team the Hoosiers have beaten since they topped third-ranked Purdue in 1967.
- Ohio State quarterback Justin Fields completed 20 of 21 passes for 276 yards and a pair of scores while also running for 54 yards and a touchdown in Saturday's 52-17 win against Nebraska. His .952 completion percentage is tied for the second highest by a Big Ten player in a single game with a minimum of 15 attempts and it is the second highest in Ohio State history with a minimum of 10 attempts. Fields had four completions of 20 or more yards on the day.
- Wisconsin's Graham Mertz became the first Badger freshman to start a season opener at quarterback since 1978, going 20-for-21 for 248 yards and five touchdowns. In his first career start, the newcomer broke the school record for single-game completion percentage (.952), while tying school marks with five touchdown passes and 17 consecutive completions. He also recorded the third-highest single-game passing yards by a Wisconsin freshman, trailing Darrell Bevell (274 vs. Northwestern in 1992) and Joel Stave (254 vs. Illinois in 2012).
- In his first game as Rutgers head coach since 2011, Greg Schiano led the Scarlet Knights to a 38-27 victory against Michigan State and snapped a 21-game Big Ten losing streak. Rutgers won its Big Ten opener for the first time and claimed a Big Ten road victory for the first time since 2017.
- Northwestern head coach Pat Fitzgerald earned his 100th career win on Saturday, becoming the 16th Big Ten head coach to reach that milestone all-time. Northwestern had its largest margin of victory in a Big Ten game since beating Illinois 48-0 in 1970. The Wildcats also recorded their largest halftime lead in a conference game in the Fitzgerald era and their largest margin of victory in a season opener since 1965.

#### **WEEK 2 SCHEDULE**

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 30

Minnesota at Maryland 7:30 p.m. | ESPN

#### SATURDAY, OCT. 31

Purdue at Illinois Noon | BTN

Michigan State at Michigan Noon | FOX

Northwestern at Iowa 3:30 p.m. | ESPN

Wisconsin at Nebraska 3:30 p.m. | FS1

Indiana at Rutgers 3:30 p.m. | BTN

Ohio State at Penn State 7:30 p.m. | ABC

All times Eastern

#### **WEEK 1 RESULTS**

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 23

Wisconsin 45, Illinois 7

#### SATURDAY, OCT. 24

Rutgers 38, Michigan State 27 Ohio State 52, Nebraska 17 Indiana 36, Penn State 35 (OT) Purdue 24, Iowa 20 Michigan 49, Minnesota 24 Northwestern 43, Maryland 3

#### **FOLLOW THE BIG TEN**

The Big Ten football page on <u>bigten.org</u> 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.

- Saturday's meeting between Michigan and Minnesota featured the first all African American football officiating crew in the history of the Big Ten and any Autonomy Five conference. Comprised of 11 men and one woman, the historic crew included on-field officials, replay official, communicator and timer. Twenty-two percent of the 2020 Big Ten football officiating staff is comprised of minorities and/or women.
- On Oct. 23, the Big Ten Conference announced the launch of the 'United As One' social justice campaign. 'United As One' is among several conference-wide Equality Coalition initiatives dedicated to constructively and collectively recognizing and eliminating racism and hate in our society by creating resources for inclusion, empowerment and accountability.
- The Big Ten Conference established the Equality Coalition in 2020 with 227 members including presidents and chancellors, directors of athletics, coaches, student-athletes, conference and school administrators, alumni, families and friends representing all 14 institutions.
- #B1GVote was established in partnership with the National Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights as a nonpartisan conference-wide educational collaboration to encourage student-athletes to take part in the electoral process.

# 2020 BIG TEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

26	0	WR David Bell, PUR
-0	Ü	QB Graham Mertz, WIS (Fr.)
	D	S Jamar Johnson, IND
		LB Olakunle Fatukasi, RU
	S	K Charlie Kuhbander, NU
	F	QB Graham Mertz, WIS

#### **BIG TEN COACHING RECORDS**

Coach, School	Career (Yrs)	At School (Yrs)	Big Ten Only
EAST DIVISION	• •	• •	
Tom Allen, IND	19-20 (4th)	19-20 (4th)	10-18
Michael Locksley, MD	6-41 (6th)	4-15 (3rd)	2-14
Jim Harbaugh, MICH	106-45 (13th)	48-18 (6th)	33-12
Mel Tucker, MSU	5-8 (2nd)	0-1 (1st)	0-1
Ryan Day, OSU	17-1 (3rd)	17-1 (3rd)	11-0
James Franklin, PSU	80-39 (10th)	56-24 (7th)	33-16
Greg Schiano, RU	69-67 (12th)	69-67 (12th)	1-0
WEST DIVISION			
Lovie Smith, ILL	15-35 (5th)	15-35 (5th)	8-29
Kirk Ferentz, IOWA	174-126 (25th)	162-105 (22nd)	97-76
P.J. Fleck, MINN	53-38 (8th)	23-16 (4th)	12-16
Scott Frost, NEB	28-23 (5th)	9-16 (3rd)	6-13
Pat Fitzgerald, NU	100-79 (15th)	100-79 (15th)	58-59
Jeff Brohm, PUR	48-31 (7th)	18-21 (4th)	13-15
Paul Chryst, WIS	72-35 (9th)	53-16 (6th)	35-10

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#### **BIG LIFE. BIG STAGE. BIG TEN.**

### **BIG TEN FOOTBALL AWARDS**

The Big Ten will continue to honor its past while recognizing its current standouts at the conclusion of the 2020 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	Harold Edward "Red" Grange, Illinois
(media vote only)	Archie Griffin, Ohio State
Postcollegiate Awards	
(vote by school administrators)	
Ford-Kinnick Leadership Award	Gerald R. Ford, Michigan
	Nile Kinnick, Iowa
Dungy-Thompson Humanitarian Award	Tony Dungy, Minnesota
	Anthony Thompson, Indiana
Annual Awards	han tarastal)
(combined vote by coaches and media, unless of	
Graham-George Offensive Player of the Year	Otto Graham, Northwestern
Nagurski-Woodson Defensive Player of the Year	Eddie George, Ohio State  Propielau "Propie" Nagurski, Minnesota
Naguiski-woodsoil Defelisive Player of the feat	Charles Woodson, Michigan
Hayes-Schembechler Coach of the Year	Wayne Woodrow "Woody" Hayes, Ohio State
(coaches vote only)	Glenn Edward "Bo" Schembechler, Michigan
Dave McClain Coach of the Year	Dave McClain, Wisconsin
(media vote only)	
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
T. W. I. S. C. S. B. L. CH. W.	Ron Dayne, Wisconsin
Tatum-Woodson Defensive Back of the Year	Jack Tatum, Ohio State
Butters Fitzgerald Linebacker of the Year	Rod Woodson, Purdue Dick Butkus, Illinois
Butkus-Fitzgerald Linebacker of the Year	Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern
Richter-Howard Receiver of the Year	Pat Richter, Wisconsin
Menter floward necesser of the fear	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



















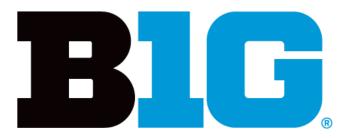


**EAST** DIVISION









## 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 70 universities in the nation according to the 2019 Academic Ranking of World Universities, including six in the top 30.

The Big Ten leads all conferences with more than 1,800 Academic All-Americans, including 27 honorees during the 2019-20 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 five national championships in 23 of the last 26 years, averaging nearly seven per year over that span.

Since the 2008-09 academic year, current Big Ten institutions have claimed 76 team national championships in 21 different sports.

#### **BROAD-BASED PROGRAMMING**

The Big Ten will administer over \$200 million in direct financial support to more than 9,800 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 in this decade.

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 and 2018 Olympic Games, more than 200 representatives from Big Ten institutions including current or former students and coaches were members of Olympic teams. Big Ten Olympians collected more than 50 medals in the most recent games in Rio and PyeongChang.

#### 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 has led the nation in attendance for men's basketball, ice 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, and added Notre Dame as a sport affiliate member in men's ice hockey in 2017.

#### **EXTENSIVE TELEVISION EXPOSURE**

Through the Big Ten's current media agreements with BTN, ABC/ESPN, CBS and FOX, more than 2,000 Big Ten events are produced and distributed nationally and globally on an annual basis.

BTN is in almost 60 million homes across the United States and Canada, and is also available internationally via the Fox Sports App, delivering live and on-demand programming to computers, smartphones and tablets. BTN Plus streams hundreds of additional events each season.

#### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

For more than 30 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, partnered with the College Football Playoff Foundation and other events 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.

# **2020 COMPOSITE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

DATE/MATCHUP	TIME	BROADCAST	DATE/MATCHUP	TIME	BROADCAST
FRIDAY, OCT. 23 Illinois at Wisconsin	8 p.m.	BTN	SATURDAY, NOV. 28 Ohio State at Illinois		
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SATURDAY, OCT. 24			Penn State at Michigan		
Rutgers at Michigan State	Noon	BTN	Northwestern at Michigan State		
Nebraska at Ohio State	Noon	FOX	Rutgers at Purdue		
Penn State at Indiana	3:30 p.m.	FS1	Minnesota at Wisconsin		
Iowa at Purdue	3:30 p.m.	BTN			
Michigan at Minnesota	7:30 p.m.	ABC	SATURDAY, DEC. 5		
Maryland at Northwestern	7:30 p.m.	BTN	Iowa at Illinois		
			Maryland at Michigan		
FRIDAY, OCT. 30			Ohio State at Michigan State		
Minnesota at Maryland	7:30 p.m.	ESPN	Northwestern at Minnesota		
			Nebraska at Purdue		
SATURDAY, OCT. 31			Penn State at Rutgers		
Purdue at Illinois	Noon	BTN	Indiana at Wisconsin		
Michigan State at Michigan	Noon	FOX	CATURDAY DEC 43		
Northwestern at Iowa	3:30 p.m.	ESPN FS1	SATURDAY, DEC. 12	Noon	FOX
Wisconsin at Nebraska	3:30 p.m.	BTN	Michigan at Ohio State Purdue at Indiana	Noon	FUX
Indiana at Rutgers Ohio State at Penn State	3:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	ABC	Wisconsin at Iowa		
Ono State at Ferm State	7.30 p.m.	ADC	Rutgers at Maryland		
SATURDAY, NOV. 7			Minnesota at Nebraska		
Michigan at Indiana	Noon	FS1	Illinois at Northwestern		
Michigan State at Iowa	Noon	ESPN	Michigan State at Penn State		
Nebraska at Northwestern	Noon	BTN			
Minnesota at Illinois	3:30 p.m.	BTN	SATURDAY, DEC. 19		
Maryland at Penn State	3:30 p.m.	BTN	Big Ten Championship Game	8 p.m.	FOX
Purdue at Wisconsin	3:30 p.m.	ABC			
Rutgers at Ohio State	7:30 p.m.	BTN			
FRIDAY, NOV. 13			All Times Eastern		
Iowa at Minnesota	7 p.m.	FS1	7 III 7 III 100 Edisterii		
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SATURDAY, NOV. 14					
Ohio State at Maryland					
Wisconsin at Michigan					
Indiana at Michigan State					
Penn State at Nebraska					
Northwestern at Purdue					
Illinois at Rutgers					
FRIDAY, NOV. 20					
Purdue at Minnesota	TBD	BTN			
SATURDAY, NOV. 21					
Michigan State at Maryland					
Illinois at Nebraska					
Wisconsin at Northwestern					
Indiana at Ohio State					
Iowa at Penn State					
Michigan at Rutgers					
FRIDAY, NOV. 27					
Nebraska at Iowa	TBD	FOX/FS1			
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