



2017 BIG TEN FOOTBALL WEEKLY RELEASE - OCTOBER 16

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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. Ohio State	4-0	1.000	1-0	3-0	3-0	W9	6-1	.857	3-1	3-0	0-0	W5
Penn State	3-0	1.000	1-0	2-0	1-0	W11	6-0	1.000	4-0	2-0	0-0	W6
Michigan State	3-0	1.000	1-0	2-0	1-0	W3	5-1	.833	3-1	2-0	0-0	W3
4. Michigan	2-1	.667	0-1	2-0	1-1	W1	5-1	.833	2-1	2-0	1-0	W1
5. Maryland	1-2	.333	0-1	1-1	0-1	L2	3-3	.500	1-2	2-1	0-0	L2
Rutgers	1-2	.333	0-1	1-1	0-1	W1	2-4	.333	1-3	1-1	0-0	W1
7. Indiana	0-3	.000	0-2	0-1	0-3	L3	3-3	.500	2-2	1-1	0-0	L1

WEST DIVISION

	Conference Games						All Games					
	W-L	PCT	H	A	Div.	Strk	W-L	PCT	H	A	N	Strk
1. Wisconsin	3-0	1.000	2-0	1-0	3-0	W9	6-0	1.000	4-0	2-0	0-0	W7
2. Nebraska	2-2	.500	1-2	1-0	1-1	L2	3-4	.429	2-3	1-1	0-0	L2
3. Iowa	1-2	.333	1-1	0-1	1-0	W1	4-2	.667	3-1	1-1	0-0	W1
Northwestern	1-2	.333	0-1	1-1	0-1	W1	3-3	.500	2-1	1-2	0-0	W2
Purdue	1-2	.333	1-1	0-1	1-1	L1	3-3	.500	2-1	1-1	0-1	L1
6. Minnesota	0-3	.000	0-2	0-1	0-1	L4	3-3	.500	2-2	1-1	0-0	L3
Illinois	0-3	.000	0-2	0-1	0-2	L6	2-4	.333	2-2	0-2	0-0	L4

BIG TEN. BIG NEWS.

- The Big Ten features two of the eight remaining undefeated schools in the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS), as Penn State and Wisconsin are both 6-0. The Nittany Lions are 6-0 for the first time since 2008, when the team started 9-0. The Badgers are 6-0 for the first time since winning their first six games in 2011.
- The Big Ten currently features two programs that rank among the top 20 nationally in both scoring offense and defense (Ohio State and Penn State). The Buckeyes are third in scoring offense and 11th in scoring defense, while the Nittany Lions lead the nation in scoring defense and are 16th in scoring offense.
- Both Michigan and Ohio State reached the 500-win plateau in Big Ten play on Saturday. The Wolverines improved to 500-203-18 in conference play since 1896, while the Buckeyes are now 500-173-24 since joining the conference in 1913. Wisconsin is third all-time with 367 Big Ten victories dating back to 1896.
- Northwestern running back Justin Jackson became the school's all-time leading rusher with a four-yard carry in the first half at Maryland, passing Damien Anderson. He went on to finish with 171 yards and two touchdowns against the Terrapins, as Northwestern improved to 19-4 when Jackson surpasses 100 rushing yards.
- Ohio State quarterback J.T. Barrett accounted for seven touchdowns and 373 yards of total offense in the team's victory at Nebraska. The senior completed 27-of-33 passes for 325 yards and five touchdowns, while adding 48 rushing yards with two rushing touchdowns.
- Michigan running back Karan Higdon set career highs in carries (25), yards (200) and touchdowns (three) against Indiana. He scored the go-ahead and eventual game-winning score in overtime on a 25-yard carry on the first play from scrimmage. Higdon is the first 200-yard rusher for the Wolverines since Denard Robinson racked up 225 yards on the ground against Purdue (Oct. 6, 2012) and the first running back to accomplish the feat since Mike Hart (Oct. 6, 2007).
- Wisconsin running back Jonathan Taylor carried the ball a career-high 30 times for 219 yards with one touchdown against Purdue to record his third 200-yard rushing game of the season. He now has 986 rushing yards in six contests, ranking third nationally with 164.3 yards per game.
- Michigan State running back LJ Scott recorded career highs in both carries (25) and rushing yards (194) in the Spartans' 30-27 victory at Minnesota. Scott's 194 rushing yards were the most by a Spartan since 2012, when Le'Veon Bell had 266 yards rushing at Minnesota.
- Making his first career start on defense after transitioning to safety during the bye week, Rutgers' Jawuan Harris collected a game-high 11 tackles with an interception and a forced fumble in the team's victory at Illinois.

WEEK 8 SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, OCT. 21

IOWA at NORTHWESTERN
Noon - ESPN2

PURDUE at RUTGERS
Noon - BTN

MARYLAND at WISCONSIN
Noon - FOX

INDIANA at MICHIGAN STATE
3:30 p.m. - ABC

ILLINOIS at MINNESOTA
3:30 p.m. - BTN

MICHIGAN at PENN STATE
7:30 p.m. - ABC

BYE: NEBRASKA, OHIO STATE

All times Eastern

WEEK 7 RESULTS

SATURDAY, OCT. 14

RUTGERS def. ILLINOIS, 35-24
MICHIGAN def. INDIANA, 27-20 (OT)
NORTHWESTERN def. MARYLAND, 37-21
WISCONSIN def. PURDUE, 17-9
OHIO STATE def. NEBRASKA, 56-14
MICHIGAN STATE def. MINNESOTA, 30-27

BYE: IOWA, PENN STATE

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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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.

2. Ohio State	577.3
3. Ohio State	47.3
16. Penn State	39.7

Rk. Scoring Offense Avg.

13. Wisconsin	263.8
17. Ohio State	250.6
11. Ohio State	326.7
22. Penn State	291.2

Rk. Rushing Offense Avg.

6. Ohio State	171.33
8. Wisconsin	164.92
20. Penn State	153.85

Rk. Passing Offense Avg.

6. Ohio State	171.33
8. Wisconsin	164.92
20. Penn State	153.85

Rk. Pass Efficiency Avg.

6. Ohio State	171.33
8. Wisconsin	164.92
20. Penn State	153.85

Rk. Total Defense Avg.

1. Michigan	223.8
5. Michigan State	263.8
6. Wisconsin	265.0
9. Penn State	285.2
16. Ohio State	305.3

Rk. All-Purpose Yardage Avg.

1. Saquon Barkley, PSU	217.00
6. Jonathan Taylor, WIS	167.17
7. Ty Johnson, MD	166.67
15. Akrum Wadley, IOWA	140.17
19. Shannon Brooks, MINN	136.00
22. D.J. Moore, MD	135.00

Rk. Total Offense Yardage Avg.

13. J.T. Barrett, OSU	313.9
20. Trace McSorley, PSU	295.8
3. Jonathan Taylor, WIS	164.3
15. J.K. Dobbins, OSU	110.7
17. Saquon Barkley, PSU	108.2

Rk. Rushing Yardage Avg.

4. J.T. Barrett, OSU	173.8
9. Alex Hornibrook, WIS	166.4
20. Trace McSorley, PSU	154.1

Rk. Passing Efficiency Avg.

4. J.T. Barrett, OSU	173.8
9. Alex Hornibrook, WIS	166.4
20. Trace McSorley, PSU	154.1

Rk. Receiving Yardage Avg.

12. D.J. Moore, MD	104.0
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Rk. Scoring Defense Avg.

1. Penn State	9.0
5. Wisconsin	13.3
8. Michigan	14.7
11. Ohio State	15.4
18. Michigan State	18.2
21. Iowa	18.7
25. Minnesota	19.3

Rk. Rushing Defense Avg.

4. Wisconsin	78.8
6. Michigan	85.8
8. Michigan State	93.3
18. Ohio State	109.6
24. Penn State	117.3

Rk. Passing Defense Avg.

3. Michigan	138.0
9. Penn State	167.8
13. Michigan State	170.5
18. Indiana	180.8
23. Wisconsin	186.2
24. Minnesota	186.8

Rk. Turnover Margin Avg.

2. Penn State	2.0
15. Ohio State	1.0

Rk. Time of Possession Avg.

3. Wisconsin	35:52
10. Michigan State	33:37
11. Michigan	33:12
18. Minnesota	32:46

Rk. Punt Return Yardage Avg.

7. Indiana	19.00
12. Penn State	15.75

Rk. Kickoff Return Yardage Avg.

1. Penn State	30.89
3. Ohio State	30.62
21. Nebraska	24.31
23. Michigan State	24.29
25. Maryland	24.03

INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Rk. Receptions Avg.

13. D.J. Moore, MD	7.3
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Rk. Scoring Avg.

13. Jonathan Taylor, WIS	10.0
18. Quinn Nordin, MICH	9.8

Rk. Points Responsible For Avg.

4. J.T. Barrett, OSU	22.6
17. Trace McSorley, PSU	17.0

Rk. Field Goals Avg.

2. Quinn Nordin, MICH	2.33
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Rk. Punting Avg.

21. Ryan Anderson, RU	44.5
24. Ryan Santoso, MINN	44.2
25. Blake Gillikin, PSU	44.2

Rk. Punt Return Yardage Avg.

2. J-Shun Harris II, IND	23.3
7. Deandre Thompkins, PSU	17.1
12. D.J. Moore, MD	13.6

BIG TEN COACHING RECORDS

Coach, School	Career (Yrs)	At School (Yrs)	Big Ten Only
EAST DIVISION			
Tom Allen, IND	3-4 (1st)	3-4 (1st)	0-3
D.J. Durkin, MD	10-10 (2nd)	9-10 (2nd)	4-8
Jim Harbaugh, MICH	83-34 (10th)	25-7 (3rd)	15-5
Mark Dantonio, MSU	113-60 (14th)	95-43 (11th)	56-28
Urban Meyer, OSU	171-30 (16th)	67-7 (6th)	42-2
James Franklin, PSU	55-30 (7th)	31-15 (4th)	16-11
Chris Ash, RU	4-14 (2nd)	4-14 (2nd)	1-11
WEST DIVISION			
Lovie Smith, ILL	5-13 (2nd)	5-13 (2nd)	2-10
Kirk Ferentz, IOWA	151-115 (22nd)	139-94 (19th)	83-65
P.J. Fleck, MINN	33-25 (5th)	3-3 (1st)	0-3
Mike Riley, NEB	111-95 (17th)	18-15 (3rd)	11-10
Pat Fitzgerald, NU	80-65 (12th)	80-65 (12th)	42-50
Jeff Brohm, PUR	33-13 (4th)	3-3 (1st)	1-2
Paul Chryst, WIS	45-26 (6th)	26-7 (3rd)	16-4

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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	6	342,486	57,081	2	6	342,486	57,081	2
10/21								
10/28								
11/4								
11/11								
11/18								
11/24-25								
TOTAL	53	3,570,318	67,364	18	22	1,468,303	66,741	10

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
10/16	O	QB J.T. Barrett, OSU
	D	LB Leon Jacobs, WIS
	S	K Charlie Kuhbander, NU-FR
	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

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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

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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 TEN FOOTBALL DIVISIONAL TIEBREAKER

The Big Ten football championship will be decided by a game played between the two division champions. A team or teams that are not eligible to participate in a postseason football bowl game as a result of NCAA and/or Big Ten sanctions shall not be eligible to participate in the Big Ten Football Championship Game. The winner of the Big Ten Football Championship Game will represent the conference in one of the bowls that comprise the College Football Playoff - the Cotton, Fiesta, Peach, Orange, Rose or Sugar Bowl. If the Big Ten Champion is ranked No. 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the final College Football Playoff poll, the team will play in a semifinal game. Otherwise, the Big Ten Champion will play in the Rose Bowl Game (when not hosting a semifinal) or the Cotton, Fiesta or Peach Bowl.

The following procedure will determine the representative from each division in the event of a tie:

- (a) If two teams are tied, the winner of the game between the two tied teams shall be the representative.
- (b) If three or more teams are tied, steps 1 through 8 will be followed until a determination is made. If only two teams remain tied after any step (or sub-step), the winner of the game between the two tied teams shall be the representative. If three or more teams remain tied after any step, move to next step in tiebreaker with remaining tied teams.
 1. The records of the three tied teams will be compared against each other.
 2. The records of the three tied teams will be compared within their division.
 3. The records of the three teams will be compared against the next highest placed teams in their division in order of finish (4, 5, 6, and 7).
 - (a) When arriving at a group of tied teams while comparing records, use each team's record against the collective tied teams as a group, rather than record against the individual teams.
 4. The records of the three teams will be compared against all common conference opponents.
 5. The best cumulative conference winning percentage of non-divisional opponents.
 - (a) Example: East 1 non-divisional opponents are 20-7, East 2 non-divisional opponents are 19-8, East 3 non-divisional opponents are 14-13 – East 1 would be the representative.
 6. The records of the three teams will be compared against the highest placed non-divisional teams in their division order of finish (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7).
 - (a) When arriving at a group of tied teams while comparing records, use each team's record against the collective tied teams as a group, rather than record against the individual teams.
 - (b) When comparing records against a single team or a group of teams, the record will prevail, even if the number of games played against the team or group are unequal (i.e. 1-0 is better than 0-0, 2-0 is better than 1-0, etc.)
 7. The team with the best overall winning percentage [excluding exempted games] shall be the representative.
 8. The representative will be chosen by random draw.

If one or both of the Big Ten division champions is ineligible to play in the Big Ten Championship Game, then the participant(s) in the Big Ten Championship Game shall be determined by the following procedure:

- a) If the ineligible team is tied for the division championship, then the team it tied with shall be the Big Ten Championship Game representative.
- b) If two or more teams are tied with an ineligible team for the division championship, then the ineligible team is removed and the remaining teams revert to the tie-break procedure.
- c) The division runner-up shall be the Big Ten Championship Game representative.
- d) If there is a division runner-up tie, then the tied teams shall revert to the tie-break procedure.

If the championship game cannot be played (due to any reason beyond the control of the Big Ten Conference), the two division champions (using divisional tie-breakers as set forth above) shall be declared co-champions and the following procedure will be used to determine the Big Ten Conference representative to the College Football Playoff:

- a) Teams ranked No. 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the final College Football Playoff poll will automatically be placed in the College Football Playoff.
- b) If the two divisional representatives met previously in the season and neither is ranked No. 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the final College Football Playoff poll, the team ranked highest in the final poll shall be the representative to the College Football Playoff, unless the other team is ranked within five or fewer places of the higher ranked team. In this case, the head-to-head results of the two teams shall determine the conference's representative.
- c) If the two divisional representatives did not meet previously during the season, the team ranked highest in the College Football Playoff poll shall be the representative.
- d) If the two teams are tied in the College Football Playoff poll, the team with the best overall Big Ten record shall be the representative.
- e) If the two teams remain tied after d), the team with the best combined record of the tied teams against all common Big Ten opponents each team played that season shall be the representative.
- f) If the two teams remain tied after e), the representative will be the team with the best overall winning percentage.
- g) If the two teams remain tied after f), the representative will be the team furthest removed from College Football Playoff, Bowl Championships Series or Rose Bowl Game participation (as appropriate).
- h) If the two teams remain tied after g), the representative shall be determined by a random draw.

BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS#

No.	Team	Years
42	Michigan	1898-01c-02-03c-04c-06c-18c-22c-23c-25-26c-30c-31c-32c-33c-43c-47-48-49c-50-64-69c-71-72c-73c-74c-76c-77c-78c-80-82-86c-88-89-90c-91-92-97-98c-00c-03-04c
35*	Ohio State	1916-17-20-35c-39-42-44-49c-54-55-57-61-68-69c-70-72c-73c-74c-75-76c-77c-79-81c-84-86c-93c-96c-98c-02c-05c-06-07-08c-09-14
18	Minnesota	1900c-03c-04c-06c-09-10c-11-15c-27c-33c-34-35c-37-38-40-41-60c-67c
15	Illinois	1910c-14-15c-18c-19-23c-27c-28-46-51-53c-63-83-90c-01
14	Wisconsin	1896-97-01c-06c-12-52c-59-62-93c-98c-99-10c-11-12
11	Iowa	1900c-21-22c-56-58-60c-81c-85-90c-02c-04c
9	Michigan State	1953c-65-66-78c-87-90c-10c-13-15
8	Northwestern	1903c-26c-30c-31c-36-95-96c-00c
8	Purdue	1918c-29-31c-32c-43c-52c-67c-00c
7	Chicago	1899-05-07-08-13-22c-24
4	Penn State	1994-05c-08c-16
2	Indiana	1945-67c

c—co-championship

Beginning in 2011, Big Ten Championship Game determined Big Ten Champion

* All Ohio State wins vacated from 2010 season

DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS

No.	Team	Years
5	Ohio State	2012-13-14-15c-16c
3	Michigan State	2011-13-15c
3	Wisconsin	2011c-14-16
2	Penn State	2011c-16c
1	Nebraska	2012
1	Iowa	2015

c—co-championship

Division Alignment from 2011-13:

Legends Division (Iowa, Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Nebraska, Northwestern) & Leaders Division (Illinois, Indiana, Ohio State, Penn State, Purdue, Wisconsin)

Division Alignment beginning 2014:

East Division (Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Michigan State, Ohio State, Penn State, Rutgers) & West Division (Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Northwestern, Purdue, Wisconsin)

BIG LIFE. BIG STAGE. BIG TEN.

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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.

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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
			Charleston Southern at INDIANA	3:30 p.m.	BTN
FRIDAY, SEPT. 1			MINNESOTA at PURDUE	3:30 p.m.	ESPN2
Washington at RUTGERS	8 p.m.	FS1	MARYLAND at OHIO STATE (HC)	4 p.m.	FOX
Utah State at WISCONSIN	9 p.m.	ESPN	MICHIGAN STATE at MICHIGAN	7:30 p.m.	ABC
			WISCONSIN at NEBRASKA	8 p.m.	BTN
SATURDAY, SEPT. 2			SATURDAY, OCT. 14		
Ball State at ILLINOIS	Noon	BTN	RUTGERS at ILLINOIS	Noon	BTN
Wyoming at IOWA	Noon	BTN	MICHIGAN at INDIANA (HC)	Noon	ABC
MARYLAND at Texas	Noon	FS1	NORTHWESTERN at MARYLAND	3:30 p.m.	ESPN2
Bowling Green at MICHIGAN STATE	Noon	ESPNU	PURDUE at WISCONSIN	3:30 p.m.	BTN
Akron at PENN STATE	Noon	ABC	OHIO STATE at NEBRASKA	7:30 p.m.	FS1
Florida vs. MICHIGAN (1)	3:30 p.m.	ABC	MICHIGAN STATE at MINNESOTA	8 p.m.	BTN
Nevada at NORTHWESTERN	3:30 p.m.	BTN			
Louisville vs. PURDUE (2)	7:30 p.m.	FOX	SATURDAY, OCT. 21		
Arkansas State at NEBRASKA	8 p.m.	BTN	IOWA at NORTHWESTERN	Noon	ESPN2
			PURDUE at RUTGERS (HC)	Noon	BTN
FRIDAY, SEPT. 8			MARYLAND at WISCONSIN (HC)	Noon	FOX
Ohio at PURDUE	8 p.m.	FS1	INDIANA at MICHIGAN STATE (HC)	3:30 p.m.	ABC
			ILLINOIS at MINNESOTA (HC)	3:30 p.m.	BTN
SATURDAY, SEPT. 9			MICHIGAN at PENN STATE	7:30 p.m.	ABC
IOWA at Iowa State	Noon	ESPN2	SATURDAY, OCT. 28		
Towson at MARYLAND	Noon	BTN	WISCONSIN at ILLINOIS (HC)	Noon	ABC/ESPN/ESPN2
Cincinnati at MICHIGAN	Noon	ABC	RUTGERS at MICHIGAN (HC)	Noon	BTN
NORTHWESTERN at Duke	Noon	ESPNU	INDIANA at MARYLAND (HC)	3:30 p.m.	BTN
Florida Atlantic at WISCONSIN	Noon	BTN	MICHIGAN STATE at NORTHWESTERN	3:30 p.m.	ABC/ESPN/ESPN2
INDIANA at Virginia	3:30 p.m.	ESPNU	PENN STATE at OHIO STATE	3:30 p.m.	FOX
Western Michigan at MICHIGAN STATE	3:30 p.m.	BTN	MINNESOTA at IOWA	6:30 p.m.	FS1
Pittsburgh at PENN STATE	3:30 p.m.	ABC	NEBRASKA at PURDUE	7:30 p.m.	BTN
Eastern Michigan at RUTGERS	3:30 p.m.	BTN			
NEBRASKA at Oregon	4:30 p.m.	FOX	SATURDAY, NOV. 4		
Oklahoma at OHIO STATE	7:30 p.m.	ABC	ILLINOIS at PURDUE		
Western Kentucky at ILLINOIS	8 p.m.	BTN	MARYLAND at RUTGERS (3)		
MINNESOTA at Oregon State	10 p.m.	FS1	MINNESOTA at MICHIGAN		
FRIDAY, SEPT. 15			NORTHWESTERN at NEBRASKA		
ILLINOIS at South Florida	7 p.m.	ESPN	OHIO STATE at IOWA		
			PENN STATE at MICHIGAN STATE		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 16			WISCONSIN at INDIANA		
Air Force at MICHIGAN	Noon	BTN	SATURDAY, NOV. 11		
Northern Illinois at NEBRASKA	Noon	FS1	RUTGERS at PENN STATE (HC)	Noon	TBA
North Texas at IOWA	3:30 p.m.	ESPNU	INDIANA at ILLINOIS		
Middle Tennessee at MINNESOTA	3:30 p.m.	BTN	IOWA at WISCONSIN		
Morgan State at RUTGERS	3:30 p.m.	BTN	MICHIGAN at MARYLAND		
WISCONSIN at BYU	3:30 p.m.	ABC	MICHIGAN STATE at OHIO STATE		
PURDUE at Missouri	4 p.m.	SEC Network	NEBRASKA at MINNESOTA		
Army West Point at OHIO STATE	4:30 p.m.	FOX	PURDUE at NORTHWESTERN		
Bowling Green at NORTHWESTERN	7:30 p.m.	BTN			
Georgia State at PENN STATE	7:30 p.m.	BTN	SATURDAY, NOV. 18		
			ILLINOIS at OHIO STATE		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 23			MARYLAND at MICHIGAN STATE		
UNLV at OHIO STATE	Noon	BTN	MICHIGAN at WISCONSIN		
Central Florida at MARYLAND	3 p.m.	FS1	MINNESOTA at NORTHWESTERN		
Georgia Southern at INDIANA	3:30 p.m.	BTN	NEBRASKA at PENN STATE		
RUTGERS at NEBRASKA (HC)	3:30 p.m.	BTN	PURDUE at IOWA		
MICHIGAN AT PURDUE (HC)	4 p.m.	FOX	RUTGERS at INDIANA		
PENN STATE at IOWA	7:30 p.m.	ABC			
Notre Dame at MICHIGAN STATE	8 p.m.	FOX	FRIDAY, NOV. 24		
			IOWA at NEBRASKA	4 p.m.	FS1
FRIDAY, SEPT. 29					
NEBRASKA at ILLINOIS	8 p.m.	FS1	SATURDAY, NOV. 25		
			OHIO STATE at MICHIGAN	Noon	FOX
SATURDAY, SEPT. 30			INDIANA at PURDUE		
MARYLAND at MINNESOTA	Noon	FS1	MICHIGAN STATE at RUTGERS		
NORTHWESTERN at WISCONSIN	Noon	ABC	NORTHWESTERN at ILLINOIS		
INDIANA at PENN STATE	3:30 p.m.	BTN	PENN STATE at MARYLAND		
IOWA at MICHIGAN STATE	4 p.m.	FOX	WISCONSIN at MINNESOTA		
OHIO STATE at RUTGERS	7:30 p.m.	BTN			
			SATURDAY, DEC. 2		
			Big Ten Championship Game (2)	8 p.m.	FOX
			(1) - at Arlington, Texas (AT&T Stadium)		
			(2) - at Indianapolis, Ind. (Lucas Oil Stadium)		
			(3) - at Bronx, N.Y. (Yankee Stadium)		

All times Eastern
(HC) - Homecoming Weekend

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