

The information is intended to help guide your planning for our 2023-24 season.

## HOME CREDENTIALS

The press seating area at Littlejohn Coliseum as well as media parking will operate at a normal capacity in 2023-24. To request a credential for a women's basketball game, please email Austin Christensen ([achri22@clemson.edu](mailto:achri22@clemson.edu)) with your name, affiliation, and photo/media designation.

All media members are required to apply for credentials on a game-by-game basis. Please be advised that outlets may be limited to only two writers and one photographer per game. **Again, credential requests for each game will close at 3 p.m. the day prior to the game.**

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Clemson will also offer the option for a virtual credential, which will offer postgame interview access to off-site media members. Please notify Austin Christensen if you plan to use this option.

Clemson's philosophy is to include as many outlets as possible in the press section and therefore presently plans to limit each outlet to just two on-site writers and one photographer. It is the responsibility of the outlet to determine the requested on-site representatives of the organization.

Per the Clemson University Athletics Media Credential Policy formally introduced in 2018, Clemson Athletics may prioritize press level credential requests for writers using the following criteria, among others:

1. Full-time local beat reporters who cover the team on a daily basis for large-scale local outlets, including newspapers and wire services that cover Clemson Athletics on a regular basis.
2. Large-scale national outlets, including national newspapers, websites and more.
3. University-recognized student publications and student outlets that provide regular coverage of Clemson Athletics.
4. Eligible online-only outlets, with preference given to sites utilizing full-time journalists. Outlets' affiliations with larger, national networks and the breadth and frequency of their editorial content will also be taken into consideration when prioritizing amongst online-only outlets.

## CREDENTIAL PICKUP AND ENTRANCES

There will continue to be two entrances for media on game days.

*Credential Pickup:* Credentials must be picked up on game day. Credentials will not be available by mail this season.

*Television/Photographers/Videographers/Writers:* All media with court-level access must enter through loading dock entrance to Littlejohn Coliseum (located off of Avenue of Champions).

## PARKING

With the exception of Avenue of Champions and the ADA lot on the north side of Littlejohn Coliseum, all parking for women's basketball games is general admission.

## **PRESS LEVEL OPERATIONS**

The press level will open one hour and 30 minutes prior to tipoff. Media credentials for 2023-24 will allow access only to the press level (sec. 232) and postgame press room and do not provide access to the stands, suites, clubs, court (unless you are the designated photographer from your outlet), tunnel or other arena areas. Once a media member has checked in through the Southwest Entrance of Burton Gallery, re-entry will not be permitted to the press level. Set press level closing times will be enforced and will be communicated each week.

Concession vouchers will be provided for media in attendance.

Clemson will not provide printed materials such as game notes or statistics. Such information will be made available online.

## **PHOTOGRAPHER COURT ACCESS**

Each media outlet will be granted one spot on a first-come, first-served basis as it pertains to baseline photography for the 2023-24 women's basketball season. Outlets should submit their photo credential with their media credentials on a single-game basis this season.

Photographers may enter through the loading dock entrance on the South side of Littlejohn Coliseum.

## **PHOTO WORK ROOM**

A limited number of work spaces are available just off the court in the room behind Clemson's bench. Clemson will prioritize these locations pursuant to the priority list mentioned above. Additional space will be made available in the press room on an as-needed basis.

## **POSTGAME**

Postgame availability will take place in the Littlejohn Coliseum press room. The traditional order will be opposing coach/players, Clemson players and lastly Head Coach Amanda Butler.

Zoom links for postgame interviews will be distributed to on-site reporters and virtually credentialed off-site reporters (i.e.: off-site media members who would have been credentialed prior to the game.)

Access to postgame Zoom interviews will be limited to credentialed media, including on-site media in the press room and virtually credentialed off-site media.

## **WEEKLY PROTOCOLS**

All weekday media availability will be conducted in-person when possible and virtually by Zoom, including player and head coach availability. Participation will be limited to outlets that would qualify for credentialed access.