

ACC Weekly Football News & Notes - Week 2

2024 STANDINGS

STANDINGS	OVERALL		ACC		POINTS		HOME	AWAY	NEUT	STREAK	VS. AP TOP 10	VS. AP TOP 25
	W-L	PCT.	W-L	PCT.	FOR	OPP						
Georgia Tech	2-0	1.000	1-0	1.000	59	33	1-0	0-0	1-0	W2	1-0	1-0
Boston College	1-0	1.000	1-0	1.000	28	13	0-0	1-0	0-0	W1	1-0	1-0
SMU	2-0	1.000	0-0	.000	88	31	1-0	1-0	0-0	W2	0-0	0-0
Louisville	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	62	0	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Pitt	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	55	24	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Wake Forest	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	45	13	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Miami	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	41	17	0-0	1-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
NC State	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	38	21	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Syracuse	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	38	22	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Virginia	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	34	13	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
California	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	31	13	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Duke	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	26	3	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
North Carolina	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	19	17	0-0	1-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Stanford	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	27	34	0-1	0-0	0-0	L1	0-0	0-0
Virginia Tech	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	27	34	0-0	0-1	0-0	L1	0-0	0-0
Clemson	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	3	34	0-0	0-0	0-1	L1	0-1	0-1
Florida State	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	34	52	0-1	0-0	0-1	L2	0-0	0-0

2024 SCHEDULE - WEEK 2

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6	TIME, TV	SIRIUSXM	APP/WEB
BYU at (RV) SMU Series: BYU leads series, 4-0; Last meeting: BYU, 24-23 (2022 - New Mexico Bowl) ESP2: Anish Shroff (play-by-play), Andre Ware (analyst), Paul Carcaterra (sideline)	7 p.m. ET, ESPN2	121, 143, or 193	143 or 955
Duke at Northwestern Series: Duke leads series, 13-10; Last meeting: Duke, 38-14 (2023) FS1: Connor Onion (play-by-play), Mark Helfrich (analyst)	9 p.m. ET, FS1	84, 108, or 194	84 or 956
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7	TIME, TV	SIRIUSXM	APP/WEB
Pitt at Cincinnati Series: Pitt leads series, 8-5; Last meeting: Cincinnati, 27-21 (2023) ESP2: Roy Philpott (play-by-play), Sam Acho (analyst), Taylor Davis (sideline)	Noon ET, ESPN2	137, 162, 194, or 200	954 or 956
#23 Georgia Tech at Syracuse Series: Georgia Tech leads series, 4-1; Last meeting: Georgia Tech, 31-22 (2023) ACCN: Chris Cotter (play-by-play), Mark Herzlich (analyst), Coley Harvey (sideline)	Noon ET, ACCN	161, 193, or 371	371 or 955
California at (RV) Auburn Series: Auburn leads series, 1-0; Last meeting: Auburn, 14-10 (2023) ESP2: Dave Flemming (play-by-play), Brock Osweiler (analyst), Stormy Buonantony (sideline)	3:30 p.m. ET, ESPN2	132, 201, or 371	371 or 963
Duquesne at (RV) Boston College Series: First Meeting; Last meeting: N/A ACCNX: Bill Spaulding (play-by-play), Craig Haubert (analyst)	3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX / ESPN+	121 or 203	965
Jacksonville State at #22 Louisville Series: First Meeting; Last meeting: N/A ACCNX: Justin Kutcher (play-by-play), Charles Arbuckle (analyst)	3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX / ESPN+	162 or 194	956
Charlotte at (RV) North Carolina Series: First Meeting; Last meeting: N/A ACCN: Jorge Sedano (play-by-play), Orlando Franklin (analyst), Morgan Uber (sideline)	3:30 p.m. ET, ACCN	108, 205, or 385	967 or 975
Marshall at Virginia Tech Series: Virginia Tech leads series, 11-3; Last meeting: Marshall, 24-17 (2023) The CW: Thom Brennaman (play-by-play), Max Browne (analyst), Trevor Scales (sideline)	4:30 p.m. ET, The CW	161 or 193	955 or 993
Florida A&M at #12 Miami Series: Miami leads series, 10-1; Last meeting: Miami, 70-3 (2016) ACCNX: Chuckie Kempf (play-by-play), Forrest Conoly (analyst), Marilyn Payne (sideline)	6 p.m. ET, ACCNX / ESPN+	146 or 204	966
Virginia at Wake Forest Series: Virginia leads series, 34-17; Last meeting: Wake Forest, 37-17 (2021) ESP2: Mike Monaco (play-by-play), Kirk Morrison (analyst), Dawn Davenport (sideline)	7 p.m. ET, ESPN2	162, 194, or 391	956 or 981
Cal Poly at Stanford Series: First Meeting; Last meeting: N/A ACCNX: Roxy Bernstein (play-by-play), Michael Bumpus (analyst), Sherree Burruss (sideline)	7 p.m. ET, ACCNX / ESPN+	121	965
#14 Tennessee vs. #24 NC State Series: Tennessee leads series, 2-1; Last meeting: Tennessee, 35-21 (2012) ABC: Rece Davis (play-by-play), Kirk Herbstreit (analyst), Holly Rowe (sideline)	7:30 p.m. ET, ABC	84 or 374	80, 84, or 374
(RV) Appalachian State at #25 Clemson Series: Clemson leads series, 5-0; Last meeting: Clemson, 41-10 (2015) ACCN: Wes Durham (play-by-play), Tom Luginbill (analyst), Dana Boyle (sideline)	8 p.m. ET, ACCN	161 or 193	955 or 993

ACC NOTES

GREATNESS JUST GOT GREATER

■ The ACC Board of Directors voted on Sept. 1, 2023, to formally admit the University of California (Cal), Southern Methodist University (SMU) and Stanford University to the Atlantic Coast Conference. Cal, SMU and Stanford joined the ACC as full members with full voting participation effective July 1, 2024 (SMU) and August 2, 2024 (Cal and Stanford). The decision followed the submission of letters of application from all three institutions.

■ The additions of Cal, SMU and Stanford enhance and strengthen the ACC academically, athletically and financially and create a true national conference that spans coast to coast. The incoming universities enrich the league's competitiveness in all sports and further demonstrate the ACC's commitment to broad-based programs for both women and men.

■ Cal, SMU and Stanford will begin competing in the ACC across their respective sponsored sports starting this year, 2024-25.

GREATNESS IS WHAT WE DO

■ The ACC announced its new creative campaign, "ACCOMPLISH GREATNESS," a multi-part brand campaign highlighting the vast success of the ACC's athletics and academics alike ahead of the ACC's official college football season on Week 1 of last year. The campaign is set to commence its second year around the start of the 2024 ACC football season.

WEEK 0 TV VIEWERSHIP LOVE

■ The 2024 college football season opener between Georgia Tech and No. 10 Florida State in the *Aer Lingus College Football Classic Game* in Dublin, Ireland, Week 0 (August 24) had 5.0 million viewers.

■ The conference contest was the most-watched Week 0 game on any network since 2019. The viewership was up 40 percent over 3.56 million viewers that watched last year's *Aer Lingus College Football Classic* in 2023 between Notre Dame and Navy on NBC.

WEEK 1 TV VIEWERSHIP HISTORY

■ The ACC was part of history on Saturday, August 31, as it was ABC's second-most-watched Kickoff Saturday on record. (*ESPN PR*)

■ The ACC had teams in two of the three games that were part of the historical day in Clemson and Miami.

ABC's Second Best Kickoff Saturday on Record

Matchup	Viewers
#7 Notre Dame at #20 Texas A&M	8.2 million
#14 Clemson vs. #1 Georgia	7.9 million
#19 Miami at Florida	6.6 million

■ The Clemson versus Georgia *Aflac Kickoff Game* in Atlanta was the most-watched Week 1 Noon Game on record, peaking at 9.5 million viewers.

■ The in-state rivalry contest between Miami and Florida in Gainesville, Florida, was the most-watched Week 1 Late Afternoon Game since 2017.

FIVE TEAMS RANKED IN AP TOP 25 POLL

■ Five ACC teams were ranked in this week's Associated Press Top 25 Poll, announced on Tuesday, September 3. Miami jumped seven spots to No. 12, while Louisville and Georgia Tech broke into the top 25 poll at No. 22 and 23, respectively. NC State remained at No. 24, while Clemson rounded out the poll at No. 25.

■ Three other ACC teams received votes in Boston College (49), SMU (23) and North Carolina (4).

FOUR TEAMS RANKED IN COACHES POLL

■ Four ACC teams were ranked in the latest top 25 of the US LBM Coaches Poll, powered by USA TODAY Sports. Miami led the ACC contingent at No. 15 and was followed by Clemson at No. 22, NC State at No. 23 and Louisville at No. 24.

■ Five other ACC teams received votes in Georgia Tech (86), SMU (19), Boston College (7), North Carolina (3) and Syracuse (1).

1 OF 2 TOP-25 MATCHUPS IN WEEK 2

■ The ACC will be part of one of the only two top-25 matchups set for Week 2, when No. 24 NC State and No. 14 Tennessee meet in the *Duke's Mayo Classic* on Saturday, September 7, at 7:30 p.m. ET on ABC in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Top-25 Matchups Thus Far This Season

Matchup	Time/Result
#14 Clemson vs. #1 Georgia	UGA, 34-3
#7 Notre Dame at #20 Texas A&M	ND, 23-13
#23 USC vs. #13 LSU	USC, 27-20
#3 Texas at #10 Michigan	Sat., Sept. 7 - Noon ET
#14 Tennessee vs. #24 NC State	Sat., Sept. 7 - 7:30 p.m. ET

CONFERENCE PLAY CONTINUES IN WEEK 2

■ The ACC is the only conference to have played conference games in each of the first three weeks (Week 0, Week 1 and Week 2) of the season.

■ After being the only conference in all of FBS to play a conference game in Week 0 - No. 10 Florida State vs. Georgia Tech (August 24) - and Week 1 - Boston College at No. 10 Florida State (September 2) - the ACC will have two conference games in Week 2.

Week 2 ACC Conference Games

Matchup	Time
Georgia Tech at Syracuse	Saturday, Sept. 7 - Noon ET
Virginia at Wake Forest	Saturday, Sept. 7 - 7 p.m. ET

ACC FOOTBALL ON LABOR DAY

■ Boston College and No. 10 Florida State capped off Week 1 of the 2024 college football season with a Labor Day showdown in ACC play on Monday, September 2, at 7:30 p.m. ET on ESPN.

■ All 17 teams were in action over Labor Day weekend, August 29 through September 2, with 16 games spanning four days - Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Monday.

ACC KICKED OFF 2024 COLLEGE FOOTBALL SEASON

■ Florida State and Georgia Tech kicked off the 2024 college football season at the *Aer Lingus College Football Classic* on Saturday, August 24, in Dublin, Ireland.

■ Georgia Tech upended No. 10 Florida State 24-21, as Yellow Jackets' kicker Aidan Birr made a 44-yard field goal as time expired in the first major college football game of the 2024 season.

2 WEEKS, 2 TOP-10 WINS

■ With the first two weeks of the season (Week 0 and Week 1 complete), the ACC has already recorded a pair of AP top-10 wins, albeit in conference play.

■ In Week 0, the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets defeated No. 10 Florida State 24-21 on a 44-yard field goal as time expired at the *Aer Lingus Football Classic* in Dublin, Ireland (August 24).

■ With the top-10 win, Georgia Tech moved to 5-0 against nationally ranked ACC opponents under head coach Brent Key.

■ The top-10 win was the first for the Yellow Jackets since GT defeated No. 9 Florida State on October 24, 2015, in what has been named the "Miracle on Techwood Drive".

■ The top-10 win was Georgia Tech's first in a season opener since a 24-21 win at No. 4 Alabama on September 12, 1981.

■ The Boston College Eagles capped Week 1 of the college football season with a 28-13 road win over No. 10 Florida State on Labor Day (September 2).

■ BC earned its first win over a top-10 team since defeating No. 9 USC in 2014 and opened the year with a top-10 win for the first time since taking down No. 7 Texas in 1976.

■ Georgia Tech and Boston College became two of just six unranked teams to beat an AP Top 10 conference opponent in its season opener in the last 40 years.

SMU & CAL WIN IN DEBUTS AS ACC MEMBERS

■ In its first game football game as an official member of the ACC, the SMU Mustangs outscored Nevada 16-0 in the fourth quarter to defeat the Wolf Pack 29-24 on Saturday, August 24.

■ One week later in Week 1, California defeated UC Davis 31-13 in the Golden Bears' first game as an official member of the ACC.

■ SMU and Cal joined nine other schools in recording a win in their first-ever football game as a full-time member of the ACC.

Teams that Won Its First Game as an ACC Member

Team	Date	Opponent	Result
Clemson	9/19/53	Presbyterian	W, 33-7
Duke	9/19/53	at South Carolina*	W, 20-7
Maryland	9/19/53	at Missouri	W, 20-6
North Carolina	9/26/53	NC State*	W, 29-7
Virginia	9/25/54	Lehigh	W, 27-21
Florida State	9/5/92	Duke *	W, 48-21
Miami	9/10/04	Florida State*	W, 16-10
Boston College	9/3/05	at BYU	W, 20-3
Louisville	9/1/14	Miami *	W, 31-13
SMU	8/24/24	at Nevada	W, 29-24
Cal	8/31/24	UC Davis	W, 31-13

*Conference game

SEASON-OPENING STANDOUT PERFORMANCES

■ Several ACC players had record-setting and standout performances in their team's respective season openers to start the 2024 season over the last two weeks - Week 0 and Week 1.

■ In Florida State's season opener versus Georgia Tech in Ireland in Week 0, kicker Ryan Fitzgerald connected on field goals of 59 and 52 yards in the first half, becoming the third player in FSU history with multiple 50-yard field goals in a game and second FSU kicker to make two 50-yard field goals in the same half. Fitzgerald's 59-yard field goal was the longest in a conference game in ACC history, the second-longest overall by a Florida State kicker and third longest in ACC history.

■ In Georgia Tech's season-opening win over No. 10 Florida State in Dublin, Ireland, in Week 0 (August 24), kicker Aidan Birr won the game on a 44-yard field goal as time expired. It was the first time that the Yellow Jackets scored the game's winning points as time expired since DB Lance Austin returned a blocked field goal 78 yards for a touchdown in Tech's 22-16 "Miracle on Techwood Drive" win over No. 9 Florida State on Oct. 24, 2015.

■ In SMU's season-opening win in Week 0 at Nevada (August 24), tight end RJ Maryland finished the game with career bests in catches (eight) and receiving yards (162) to go with the game-winning touchdown reception in the 29-24 win. His 162 receiving yards were the most by an SMU player since Rashee Rice's 180 yards at Tulsa on October 29, 2022.

■ In North Carolina's season-opening road win at Minnesota (August 29), running back Omarion Hampton rushed for 129 yards and surpassed the 2,000 career yards mark. His 129 rushing yards were the most by a Tar Heel in a season opener since Elijah Hood recorded 138 against South Carolina in 2015.

■ In NC State's season-opening win over Western Carolina (August 29), transfer quarterback Grayson McCall went 26-for-40 for 318 yards, three touchdowns, and an interception. With his performance, he made just the fourth ever 300-plus passing yard quarterback debut for the Pack joining Matthew McKay, Harrison Beck, and Phillip Rivers. Wideout KC Concepcion's big night included nine receptions for 121 yards and three touchdowns. He is the first Wolfpack wide receiver since Thayer Thomas in 2020 to bring in three scores in a game. He is also only the fourth sophomore in program history to have a three-touchdown reception game, joining Tramain Hall vs. Duke (2003), Jericho Cotchery vs. Clemson (2001), and Koren Robinson vs. Georgia Tech (2000).

■ In Wake Forest's ninth season-opening win under head coach Dave Clawson, wide receiver and return specialist Taylor Morin had a career day on Thursday, as he caught six passes for 100 yards. He also returned three punts and a kickoff for a combined 217 yards becoming the first player to accomplish that feat since 2018. One of those punt returns was a 73-yard scamper to the house – marking Wake's first punt return TD since 2018.

■ In Duke's season-opening win at home over Elon (August 30), transfer quarterback Maalik Murphy passed for 291 yards, the most by a Blue Devils' quarterback in their debut since 2010.

■ In Stanford's season opener at home against TCU (August 30), quarterback Ashton Daniels carried the ball 17 times for 89 yards, setting a new career-high in rushing yards which also ranks as the fifth-most rushing yards by a quarterback in a single game in Stanford history.

■ In Pitt's win over Kent State (August 31) to start the season, transfer Eli Holstein became the first redshirt freshman quarterback to start a season opener for Pitt in 21 years (Sept. 6, 2003). Holstein completed 29-of-39 passes for 330 yards, three touchdowns and a 165.7 rating. Wide receiver Kenny Johnson caught seven passes for 105 yards and a touchdown, both single-game career highs. He also recorded a new career-long reception of 46 yards in the first quarter.

■ In Louisville's season-opening 62-0 win over Austin Peay (August 31), four players scored a touchdown in their UofL debut for the first time since 1912 when the Cards played their first game in program history. Transfer quarterback, Tyler Shough was 18-of-24 passing for 232 yards and four touchdowns, while playing only the first half. He tied Browning Nagle's school record for the most TD passes in a UofL starting debut with four, while his 232 yards passing was the highest first-half total for a QB in his UofL starting debut since Jay Gruden threw for 234 yards in the first half versus Western Kentucky in 1986. Running back Issac Brown led Louisville rushers with 123 yards and a score on five carries. His 123 yards on the ground were the most in program history by a freshman in his first game. Brown and fellow freshman running back Duke Watson became the third and fourth UofL true freshmen to rush for a touchdown in a season opener since 1970, following Larry Stricklin in 1985 and Anthony Allen in 2006. On the defensive side of the ball, linebacker T.J. Capers returned an interception 29 yards in his collegiate debut, the first Louisville player to do so since TreSean Smith vs. Purdue in 2017.

■ In Miami's blowout win over Florida in the two teams' season opener (August 31), transfer quarterback Cam Ward completed 26 of 35 passes to 10 different receivers for 385 yards with three touchdowns and one interception. With his performance, he became the first Hurricanes' quarterback since Ken Dorsey in 2021 to throw for 300 yards and three touchdowns in a season opener. His 385 yards were the most by a player in a Miami debut since at least 1980.

■ Miami's win snapped Florida's home-opener winning streak at 33 consecutive games and was the worst home-opening loss in the Gators' program history.

■ In Syracuse's season-opening win over Ohio (August 31), the first of the Fran Brown era, transfer quarterback Kyle McCord threw for a career-high 354 yards and another career-best four touchdowns. The touchdown mark was one shy of tying the program's single-game record. Three players in SU history have notched five in a game, most recently Eric Dungey (2018).

■ In Virginia's win over Richmond in the season opener (August 31), the Cavaliers' first completed pass of the season went for a touchdown, a 35-yard completion from Anthony Colandrea to Trell Harris. It marked the first time in the 135-year history of Virginia football that the first completed pass of the season went for a touchdown. It was also the first time UVA scored on its first completed pass in a game since 2018 when Bryce Perkins found Olamide Zaccheaus for an 86-yard strike against Ohio (September 15).

■ Virginia quarterback Anthony Colandrea accounted for 346 yards of total offense (297 passing, 49 rushing), the second-highest total of his career. His three total touchdowns (2 pass, 1 rush) matched a career-best. He recorded his first career rushing touchdown with a seven-yard keeper with 8:31 left in the third quarter.

■ In Boston College's season-opening conference road win at No. 10 Florida State on Labor Day (September 2), quarterback Thomas Castellanos rushed for the first score of the game. He finished with 73 rushing yards, which pushed him past Tyler Murphy for the most all-time at BC by a quarterback.

STRONG STARTS TO THE SEASON

■ Several ACC players are off to a strong start to the 2024 season, ranking among the FBS leaders in several statistical categories.

ACC Players Among the FBS Leaders

Statistic	NCAA Ranking, Player
Passing TDs	t-6th, Tyler Shough (UL) - 4 t-6th, Kyle McCord (SU) - 4
Passing Yards	1st, DJ Uiagalelei (FSU) - 465 7th, Haynes King (GT) - 421 10th, Cam Ward (UM) - 385 15th, Kyle McCord (SU) - 354
Passing YPG	6th, Cam Ward (UM) - 385.0 11th, Kyle McCord (SU) - 354.0
Passing Efficiency	13th, Tyler Shough (UL) - 211.2 14th, Anthony Colandrea (UVA) - 211.1
Rushing TDs	t-2nd, Jamal Haynes (GT) - 3 t-2nd, Brashard Smith (SMU) - 3 t-3rd, Jaydn Ott (Cal) - 2 t-3rd, Jordan Waters (NCSU) - 2
Rushing Yards	4th, Brashard Smith (SMU) - 175 10th, Jamal Haynes (GT) - 159 14th, Desmond Reid (Pitt) - 145
Rushing YPG	10th, Desmond Reid (Pitt) - 145.0 12th, Demond Claiborne (WF) - 135.0 13th, Omarion Hampton (UNC) - 129.0
Receiving TDs	t-2nd, KC Concepcion (NCSU) - 3 t-5th, Trebor Pena (SU) - 2
Receiving Yards	t-5th, Malik Rutherford (GT) - 197 11th, RJ Maryland (SMU) - 173
Total Offense YPG	6th, Cam Ward (UM) - 418.0 16th, Kyle McCord (SU) - 353.0
All-Purpose YPG	3rd, Desmond Reid (Pitt) - 234.0 6th, Taylor Morin (WF) - 217.0 15th, Kenny Johnson (Pitt) - 191.0
Scoring (PPG)	t-3rd, KC Concepcion (NCSU) - 18.0 t-3rd, Trebor Pena (SU) - 18.0
Total Tackles	1st, Kyle Eford (GT) - 23 t-2nd, Shyheim Brown (FSU) - 21 6th, Cam Riley (FSU) - 17 t-8th, DJ Lundy (FSU) - 15 t-9th, Isaiah Nwokobia (SMU) - 14 t-9th, Nick Anderson (WF) - 14 t-10th, Kobe Wilson (SMU) - 13
Tackles Per Game	t-3rd, Nick Anderson (WF) - 14.0 14th, Kyle Eford (GT) - 11.5
Total TFLs	t-1st, Fadil Diggs (SU) - 4.0 t-4th, Isaiah Smith (SMU) - 3.0 t-4th, Jahvaree Ritzie (UNC) - 3.0 t-13th, Kevin Pointer (WF) - 2.5 t-13th, Peter Woods (CU) - 2.5 t-13th, Cameron Bergeron (DU) - 2.5
TFLs Per Game	t-1st, Fadil Diggs (SU) - 4.0 t-4th, Jahvaree Ritzie (UNC) - 3.0 t-11th, Kevin Pointer (WF) - 2.5 t-11th, Peter Woods (CU) - 2.5 t-11th, Cameron Bergeron (DU) - 2.5
Sacks Per Game	t-1st, Jahvaree Ritzie (UNC) - 3.0 t-5th, Fadil Diggs (SU) - 2.0 t-5th, Tramel Logan (UL) - 2.0 t-5th, Tamarion McDonald (UL) - 2.0 t-5th, Vincent Anthony Jr. (DU) - 2.0 t-5th, Donovan Ezeiruaku (BC) - 2.0
FGs Made Per Game	1st, Noah Burnette (UNC) - 4.0
Kickoff Return Avg.	t-6th, Xaver Brown (UVA) - 29.0
Kickoff Return TDs	t-1st, Nohl Williams (Cal) - 1
Punt Return Avg.	3rd, Taylor Morin (WF) - 29.0 t-16th, Quincy Riley (UL) - 14.0
Punt Return TDs	t-1st, Desmond Reid (Pitt) - 1 t-1st, Taylor Morin (WF) - 1

CONFERENCE OF QUARTERBACKS

- The ACC is the Conference of Quarterbacks:
 - * 13 quarterbacks named to the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award preseason watch list, the most of any conference.
 - * 10 quarterbacks named to the Maxwell Award preseason watch list, no other conference had more.
 - * 8 quarterbacks named to the Davey O'Brien Award preseason watch list, no other conference had more.
 - * top-ranked group of quarterback transfers in 2024 by CBS Sports.
 - * 13 QBs in the league enter the 2024 season with over 20 career TD passes and 3,500 career passing yards.
 - * 8 quarterbacks from ACC schools are projected to start Week 1 in the 2024 NFL season — 25 percent of NFL teams.
 - * Since 2018, the ACC has had at least one quarterback drafted in the first round in five different drafts — the only conference to do that.

■ The ACC returns several full-time starters at quarterback in Thomas Castellanos at Boston College, Cade Klubnik at Clemson, Haynes King at Georgia Tech, Preston Stone at SMU, and Kyron Drones at Virginia Tech, and adds transfers Maalik Murphy at Duke, DJ Uiagalelei at Florida State, Tyler Shough at Louisville, Cam Ward at Miami, Max Johnson at North Carolina, Grayson McCall at NC State, and Kyle McCord at Syracuse among others.

■ The ACC has been flooded with elite transfers at the quarterback position in 2024.

Player, School - National Ranking among all transfers

Cam Ward, Miami - No. 5 (On3); No. 14 (247sports)
 Maalik Murphy, Duke - No. 40 (247sports)
 DJ Uiagalelei, FSU - No. 47 (On3); No. 79 (247sports)
 Kyle McCord, Syracuse - No. 49 (On3); No. 80 (247sports)
 Grayson McCall, NCSU - No. 267 (On3); No. 121 (247sports)
 Chandler Rogers, Cal - No. 153 (On3)
 Max Johnson, UNC - No. 247 (On3)
 Jacolby Criswell, UNC - No. 289 (On3)

Other quarterback transfers include:

Hank Bachmeier, Wake Forest
 Gavin Frakes, Virginia
 CJ Harris, Cal
 Eli Holstein, Pitt
 Grayson James, Boston College
 Reese Poffenbarger, Miami
 Collin Schlee, Virginia Tech
 Tyler Shough, Louisville

CONFERENCE OF QUARTERBACKS - NFL EDITION

■ The ACC is well-represented among NFL active rosters in 2024, as the league has 26 quarterbacks from an ACC school on 17 different teams in the preseason.

Lamar Jackson, Baltimore Ravens (Louisville)
 Devin Leary, Baltimore Ravens (NC State)
 Mitchell Trubisky, Buffalo Bills (North Carolina)
 Shane Buechele, Buffalo Bills (SMU)
 Jack Plummer, Carolina Panthers (Louisville)
 Deshaun Watson, Cleveland Browns (Clemson)
 Jameis Winston, Cleveland Browns (Florida State)
 Hendon Hooker, Detroit Lions (Virginia Tech)
 Jared Goff, Detroit Lions (Cal)
 Davis Mills, Houston Texans (Stanford)
 Kedon Slovis, Houston Texans (Pitt)
 Trevor Lawrence, Jacksonville Jaguars (Clemson)
 Jacoby Brissett, New England Patriots (NC State)

Drake Maye, New England Patriots (North Carolina)
 Nathan Peterman, New Orleans Saints (Pitt)
 Tommy DeVito, New York Giants (Syracuse)
 Daniel Jones, New York Giants (Duke)
 Aaron Rodgers, New York Jets (Cal)
 Tyrod Taylor, New York Jets (Virginia Tech)
 Jordan Travis, New York Jets (Florida State)
 Tanner McKee, Philadelphia Eagles (Stanford)
 Kenny Pickett, Philadelphia Eagles (Pitt)
 Russell Wilson, Pittsburgh Steelers (NC State)
 Tanner Mordecai, San Francisco 49ers (SMU)
 Sam Howell, Seattle Seahawks (North Carolina)
 Sam Hartman, Washington Commanders (Wake Forest)

MOST CHALLENGING NON-CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

■ The ACC is off to a solid start in conference play heading into Week 2 of the 2024 season. Teams in the ACC have posted a non-conference record of 13-3 over Week 0 and Week 1.

■ The ACC will play 12 non-conference games in Week 2, highlighted by a top-25 neutral site contest between NC State and Tennessee at the Duke's Mayo Classic in Charlotte, North Carolina (September 7 at 7:30 p.m. ET on ABC).

■ Overall, the ACC will play five Power 4 non-conference games in Week 2.

ACC P4 Non-Conference Games in Week 2

Matchup	Time
BYU at SMU	Friday, Sept. 6 - 7 p.m. ET
Duke at Northwestern	Friday, Sept. 6 - 9 p.m. ET
Pitt at Cincinnati	Saturday, Sept. 7 - Noon ET
California at Auburn	Saturday, Sept. 7 - 3:30 p.m. ET
NC State vs. Tennessee	Saturday, Sept. 7 - 7:30 p.m. ET

■ The ACC's non-conference schedule continues to be the most challenging in the country.

This year's non-conference slate includes:

- * 26 games against Power 4 opponents, including Notre Dame, the most of any conference. [^]
- * Nine non-conference games against teams ranked in the final 2023 AP Top 25 Poll, the most of any conference.
- * 10 non-conference games against teams in ESPN's 2024 Way-Too-Early Top 25, the most of any conference.

[^] does not include one game versus Oregon State.

■ Eleven schools – Boston College, California, Clemson, Florida State, Georgia Tech, Louisville, Pitt, SMU, Stanford, Virginia and Virginia Tech – are scheduled to play two Power 4 conference opponents (including Notre Dame) this season.

TOUGH SLED AHEAD OVERALL

■ All 17 ACC teams are scheduled to play at least six games versus bowl teams from last season, highlighted by Georgia Tech slated to play 11 games against a team that played in a postseason bowl game last year.

ACC FIRSTS IN 2024

■ The three newest members of the ACC in Cal, SMU and Stanford will have several "ACC firsts" in 2024.

First Game as an ACC Member

Team	Date	Opponent	Location/Result
SMU	8/24/24	at Nevada	W, 29-24
Stanford	8/30/24	TCU	L, 27-34
Cal	8/31/24	UC Davis	W, 31-13

First ACC Game as an ACC Member

Team	Date	Opponent	Location
Stanford	9/20/24	at Syracuse	Syracuse, N.Y.
Cal	9/21/24	at Florida State	Tallahassee, Fla.
SMU	9/28/24	Florida State	Dallas, Texas

First ACC Home Game as an ACC Member

Team	Date	Opponent	Location
SMU	9/28/24	Florida State	Dallas, Texas
Cal	10/5/24	Miami	Berkeley, Calif.
Stanford	10/5/24	Virginia Tech	Stanford, Calif.

■ Counting the head coaches from the three new schools in Cal, SMU and Stanford, as well as the two new head coaches at Boston College and Syracuse, a total of five coaches made their ACC coaching debuts this season.*

First Game as a head coach of an ACC School

Coach, Team	Date	Opponent (Result)
Rhett Lashlee, SMU	8/24/24	at Nevada (W, 29-24)
Troy Taylor, Stanford	8/30/24	TCU (L, 27-34)
Justin Wilcox, Cal	8/31/24	UC Davis (W, 31-13)
Fran Brown, Syracuse	8/31/24	Ohio (W, 38-22)
Bill O'Brien, BC	9/2/24	at FSU (W, 28-13)

* Duke first-year head coach Manny Diaz coached in the ACC from 2019-21 at Miami.

CHASING A COACHING LEGEND

■ Clemson head football coach Dabo Swinney begins his 17th season at the helm of the Tigers' program with 170 wins overall. His 170 wins are just three behind legendary Florida State football coach Bobby Bowden for the most overall wins by a head coach while coaching at an ACC member school.

Most Wins Overall While Coaching at an ACC School

Rank	Coach (Team)	Wins
1.	Bobby Bowden (Florida State)	173
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3.	George Welsh (Virginia)	134
4.	Frank Beamer (Virginia Tech)	113
5.	Mack Brown (North Carolina)	108

RETURNING ALL-ACC PERFORMERS

■ Led by first-team selections Omarion Hampton (RB) and Bryson Nesbit (TE) of North Carolina, Xavier Restrepo (WR) and Andy Borregales (PK) of Miami, Darius Washington (OT) of Florida State, Ashton Gillotte (DE) of Louisville and Jonas Sanker (S) of Virginia, the ACC returns 42 players who earned first-, second-, or third-team All-ACC honors last year in 2023.

(7 first-team; 16 second-team; 19 third-team selections)

INCOMING IMPACT PLAYERS FROM THE PORTAL

■ According to On3.com, nine of the top 50 college football transfers are entering the ACC. They include No. 8 Cam Ward, QB, Miami; No. 17 Damien Martinez, RB, Miami; No. 20 Marvin Jones Jr., DE, Florida State; No. 32 Tyler Baron, DE, Miami; No. 37 Caullin Lacy, WR, Louisville, No. 46 Justin Joly, TE, NC State; No. 47 Noah Rogers, WR, NC State; No. 49 Kyle McCord, QB, Syracuse; No. 50 DJ Uiagalelei, QB, Florida State.

PREEMINENT PLAYERS

■ Once again, the ACC boasts some of the most preeminent players in all of college football in 2024. This year the ACC has the top returning passer, top returning receiver and the number three returning rusher in all of FBS from last year.

Top Returning Passer in FBS from 2023

Cam Ward (Miami) 311.3 passing yards per game

Top Returning Receiver in FBS from 2023

Caullin Lacy (Louisville) 109.7 receiving yards per game

Third Top Returning Rusher in FBS from 2023

Omarion Hampton (North Carolina) 1,504 rushing yards

AMONG THE NATION'S CAREER LEADERS

■ Just a few weeks into the 2024 season and several ACC players are among the nation's career leaders among active players.

■ NC State transfer quarterback Grayson McCall is the active leader in all of FBS with a 177.41 career passing efficiency. McCall also ranks fourth among all active quarterbacks with 10,323 career passing yards and 11,452 career total yards of offense.

■ Syracuse transfer quarterback Kyle McCord ranks fifth among all active FBS quarterbacks with a 163.64 career passing efficiency rating heading into Week 2 of the 2024 season.

■ Miami transfer quarterback Cam Ward ranks fourth among all active FBS quarterbacks with an average of 291.8 yards of total offense per game and fifth with an average of 282.8 passing yards per game over his collegiate career.

■ Virginia Tech running back and return specialist Bhayshul Tuten ranks second among all active FBS players in all-purpose yards per game with an average of 126.79 for his career to date.

■ Fellow Virginia Tech Hokie Tucker Holloway ranks first among all active FBS players in career punt return average at 15.5 yards per return. His Hokie teammate Jaylin Lane ranks fifth with his career average of 11.3 yards per return.

■ Cal running back and returner Jaydn Ott ranks third among all active FBS players in career rushing yards per game with an average of 90.4 and is also fourth in all-purpose yards per game with his career average of 118.12 per contest.

■ Syracuse's Trebor Pena ranks fifth among all active FBS players in kickoff return average, with a career average of 27.0 yards per return.

■ Louisville All-American Ashton Gillotte ranks third among all active FBS players in career sacks with 23.0 and career total sacks per game with an average of 0.58 per outing.

■ Wake Forest defensive standout Jasheen Davis ranks fourth among all active FBS players in tackles-for-loss per game with his career average of 1.01 per contest.

■ Virginia's Kam Butler ranks fourth among all active FBS players with 22.5 career sacks. He is also tied for third with six forced fumbles in his career.

■ Syracuse linebacker Marlowe Wax ranks in the top five among all active players in two categories. He leads all active players with nine forced fumbles and is fifth in forced fumbles per game with a career average of 0.18.

■ North Carolina defensive back Antavious Lane is the NCAA leader among all active FBS players with 11 career interceptions.

■ NC State's Aydan White is tied for second among all active FBS players with 35 passes defended in his career. Louisville's Corey Thornton ranks in a tie for fifth with 29 passes defended over his collegiate career.

■ Miami kicker Andres Borregales has made 58 field goals in his collegiate career, which ranks third among all active FBS placekickers.

■ SMU placekicker Collin Rogers is tied for second among all active FBS football players in career points per game with an average of 8.5 per contest. His average is just 0.2 points ahead of Noah Burnette of North Carolina, who ranks fourth on the career list.

■ Virginia Tech placekicker John Love ranks fourth with an 83.4 career field goal percentage among all active FBS kickers. He also ranks fourth in field goals made per game with a career average of 1.56.

ACC IN THE CFP RANKINGS

■ In the final CFP top 25 rankings over the last four years there are only seven programs that have been in each – Clemson and NC State are included from the ACC. No conference has more than two teams that can state that claim.

■ Heading into the 2024 season, the ACC is the only conference to have every team ranked at least once in the first 10 years of the CFP rankings (2014-2023).

ACC in the CFP Rankings (2014-2023)

Team	First Year
Clemson	2014
Duke	2014
Florida State	2014
Georgia Tech	2014
Louisville	2014
North Carolina	2015
Pitt	2016
Virginia Tech	2016
Miami	2017
NC State	2017
Boston College	2018
Syracuse	2018
Virginia	2018
Wake Forest	2019

■ With the addition of the three new schools in Cal, SMU and Stanford, 16 of the 17 current ACC programs have been ranked in the CFP rankings.

New Members in the CFP Rankings History

Team	First Year
Stanford	2014
SMU	2019
Cal	N/A

GAM WARD OF MIAMI NAMED PRESEASON POTY

■ Miami senior quarterback Cam Ward was voted the 2024 ACC Preseason Player of the Year, which was selected via a vote of 170 media members who were among those credentialed at the ACC Football Kickoff.

■ The nation's leading returner in passing yards per game this season, Ward finished the regular season last year leading the Pac-12 Conference with 323 completions while at Washington State in 2023. He ranked fourth in the country with an average of 311.3 passing yards per game and was sixth nationally with an average of 323.3 yards of total offense per game. Ward tallied seven 300-passing yard games, threw 25 touchdown passes, rushed for eight touchdowns and recorded five games with one rushing touchdown and at least two touchdown passes.

■ Ward led the 2024 ACC Preseason Player of the Year balloting with 71 votes, followed by North Carolina running back Omarion Hampton. Clemson linebacker Barrett Carter received 15 votes, Virginia Tech quarterback Kyron Drones garnered 13 votes and Georgia Tech quarterback Haynes King received 12 votes, as 11 players received at least one vote for Preseason Player of the Year.

2024 ACC Preseason Player of the Year

Rk. Name, Position, School

1. Cam Ward, QB, Miami (71)
2. Omarion Hampton, RB, North Carolina (38)
3. Barrett Carter, LB, Clemson (15)
4. Kyron Drones, QB, Virginia Tech (13)
5. Haynes King, QB, Georgia Tech (12)
6. Jaydn Ott, RB, Cal (8)
7. Ashton Gillotte, DL, Louisville (5)
8. Jordan Moore, WR, Duke (3)
9. Preston Stone, QB, SMU (2)
10. Bhayshul Tuten, RB, Virginia Tech (2)
11. Antwaun Powell-Ryland, DL, Virginia Tech (1)

*Votes in parentheses
170 media voters*

MIAMI PAGES ALL-ACC PRESEASON TEAM

■ Led by Miami with five selections, nine Atlantic Coast Conference football programs had multiple players named to the 27-member 2024 All-ACC Preseason Football Team, which was announced on August 1.

■ A total of 12 teams had at least one representative on the All-ACC Preseason Team, selected via a vote of 170 media members who were among those credentialed at the ACC Football Kickoff in Charlotte, North Carolina.

■ For the second consecutive year, Florida State had four selections. Clemson followed with three honorees, while Cal, Louisville, North Carolina, NC State, Syracuse and Virginia Tech all had two players each. SMU, Stanford and Virginia each had one player named to the team.

■ The preseason team features 20 returning All-ACC honorees from the 2023 season, including six first-team selections, seven second-team honorees and seven third-team picks. The list also includes 2023 All-Pac-12 First-Team selection in Cal running back Jaydn Ott, who was named to the preseason team at both running back and all-purpose back after leading the Pac-12 last year in rushing yards per game (109.6) and all-purpose yards per game (135.7) which both ranked in the top 10 in all of FBS football.

2024 Preseason All-ACC Football Team Offense

QB: Cam Ward, Miami (85)
 RB: Omarion Hampton, North Carolina (114)
 RB: Jaydn Ott, Cal (70)
 WR: Kevin "KC" Concepcion, NC State (119)
 WR: Xavier Restrepo, Miami (93)
 WR: Elic Ayomanor, Stanford (42)
 TE: Oronde Gadsden II, Syracuse (48)
 AP: Jaydn Ott, Cal (49)
 OT: Darius Washington, Florida State (93)
 OT: Blake Miller, Clemson (53)
 OG: Willie Lampkin, North Carolina (64)
 OG: Michael Gonzalez, Louisville (56)
 C: Maurice Smith, Florida State (62)

Defense

DE: Ashton Gillotte, Louisville (52)
 DE: Rueben Bain, Jr., Miami (49)
 DT: Joshua Farmer, Florida State (75)
 DT: Aeneas Peebles, Virginia Tech (64)
 LB: Barrett Carter, Clemson (129)
 LB: Francisco Mauigoa, Miami (72)
 LB: Marlowe Wax, Syracuse (67)
 CB: Dorian Strong, Virginia Tech (65)
 CB: Aydan White, NC State (56)
 S: Jonas Sanker, Virginia (73)
 S: R.J. Mickens, Clemson (44)

Specialists

PK: Andres Borregales, Miami (92)
 P: Alex Mastromanno, Florida State (81)
 SP: Brashard Smith, SMU (36)

FLORIDA STATE FAVORED TO REPEAT IN 2024

■ Florida State, the 2023 defending ACC Champions, has been picked to win the 2024 Atlantic Coast Conference football title.

■ The 2024 ACC Preseason Poll was conducted via a vote of a media panel, including those who were credentialed at the ACC Football Kickoff in Charlotte, North Carolina.

■ The Seminoles went 13-1 overall last season, including a perfect 8-0 record in conference play, on their way to winning the 2023 ACC title and the program's first ACC Championship since 2014. Florida State was predicted as the 2024 ACC champion on 81 ballots.

■ Coming off a 9-4 season last year, which ended with five-straight wins, including a victory in the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl, Clemson garnered 55 first-place votes. Miami racked up 17 first-place votes, while NC State (8), Virginia Tech (5) and Cal (2) also received multiple first-place votes. Boston College and Georgia Tech each received one first-place vote.

■ Florida State led all teams with 2,708 points, while Clemson was second with 2,657 points. Miami placed third with 2,344 points, and NC State captured fourth with 2,318 points. The next two teams were tightly bunched, with Louisville in fifth with 1,984 points and Virginia Tech in sixth with 1,968 points.

2024 ACC Preseason Poll

Rank	Team	Points
1.	Florida State (81)	2708
2.	Clemson (55)	2657
3.	Miami (17)	2344
4.	NC State (8)	2318
5.	Louisville	1984
6.	Virginia Tech (5)	1968
7.	SMU	1798
8.	North Carolina	1712
9.	Georgia Tech (1)	1539
10.	Cal (2)	1095
11.	Duke	1056
12.	Syracuse	1035
13.	Pitt	1016
14.	Boston College (1)	890
15.	Wake Forest	784
16.	Virginia	629
17.	Stanford	477

*First-place votes in parentheses
170 media voters*

20TH ACC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME SET FOR 8 P.M. ET

■ The 2024 ACC Football Championship Game will be the 20th ACC Football Championship Game.

■ The championship game will kick off at 8 p.m. ET on ABC on Saturday, December 7, at Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte. For the second consecutive season, the championship game will feature the top two teams based on regular-season conference winning percentage.

■ This is the 15th time in the last 16 years that the game will be held in primetime. A total of 13 different teams have competed in the game since it began in 2005. Last season, No. 4 Florida State used a dominant defensive performance to defeat No. 14 Louisville 16-6 to win its fifth ACC Football Championship Game (2005, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2023) and its 16th ACC title.

■ Bank of America Stadium, home of the NFL's Carolina Panthers, has been the site of 13 of the last 14 ACC Football Championship Games. In 2018, the ACC and the Charlotte Sports Foundation reached an agreement to keep the game in Charlotte through 2030. Not including the 2020 game, which had limited attendance due to the pandemic, ACC Football Championship Games played at Bank of America Stadium have had an average attendance of nearly 70,000 fans. The ACC has the second-highest average attendance of any Power 5 conference championship game since 2010.

■ The winner of the conference championship game has gone on to play in the National Championship Game or compete in the College Football Playoff in eight of the last 11 seasons, including two teams in 2020.

2024-30 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE MODEL ANNOUNCED

■ The ACC announced its future football schedule model for the next seven years, 2024-2030. With the addition of the ACC's three new member institutions beginning this fall – Cal, SMU and Stanford – the new model will go into effect starting with the 2024 season.

■ The new schedule will continue with no divisions, feature 17 schools and will increase the number of annual conference matchups from 56 to 68. The top two teams based on conference winning percentage will compete in the ACC Football Championship Game on the first Saturday in December at Bank of America Stadium.

■ The approved format will continue to have each member institution play eight conference games per season, with all 17 teams playing each other at least twice over the next seven seasons – once at home and once on the road. The previous 14 conference teams from 2023 will play a total of three times each in California over the seven years, and none will travel west to California in back-to-back seasons.

■ The new model protects 16 annual matchups. Of the 16 matchups, 11 were retained from the current 3-5-5 schedule model, two were restored rivalries from the divisional format in Miami-Virginia Tech and NC State-Wake Forest and the three new schools fill the remaining three. The annual protected matchups are Boston College-Syracuse, Boston College-Pitt, Syracuse-Pitt, North Carolina-Virginia, North Carolina-Duke, North Carolina-NC State, NC State-Wake Forest, NC State-Duke, Duke-Wake Forest, Virginia Tech-Virginia, Florida State-Clemson, Miami-Florida State, Miami-Virginia Tech, Stanford-Cal, Stanford-SMU, and Cal-SMU.

CHASING A COACHING LEGEND

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ACC COACHING NOTES

■ ACC head football coaches headlined the 2024 Dodd Trophy Preseason Watch List, as announced by the Bobby Dodd Coach of the Year Foundation and the Peach Bowl, as six coaches across the ACC were named to the preseason watch list, the most of any conference.

■ The six head coaches hailing from the ACC included Jeff Brohm of Louisville, Mario Cristobal of Miami, Dave Doeren of NC State, Mike Norvell of Florida State, Brent Pry of Virginia Tech and Dabo Swinney of Clemson.

■ Among active head coaches, the ACC's Dabo Swinney (Clemson), Mike Norvell (Florida State), Rhett Lashlee (SMU), Troy Taylor (Stanford), Mack Brown (North Carolina), and Dave Doeren (NC State) rank among the top 40 in the nation in career winning percentage.

■ North Carolina's Mack Brown is tied for the most career wins among all active coaches with 283 career wins following the Tar Heels' season-opening win at Minnesota.

■ North Carolina's Mack Brown made college football history last season in 2023, becoming the first head coach to win 100 games at two different FBS schools. He recorded 158 wins at Texas from 1998-2013 and has posted 108 wins at North Carolina in what is now his 16th season in Chapel Hill.

■ Clemson's Dabo Swinney owns 170 career wins, the eighth-most among active coaches. Swinney joins Bobby Bowden (173) as the only two head coaches to lead an ACC program to 150 wins.

■ Two of the three active coaches to win a national title reside in the ACC. Dabo Swinney led Clemson to national titles in 2016 and 2018. North Carolina's Mack Brown won a national title at Texas in 2005.

■ Four current league coaches have won ACC Coach of the Year honors - North Carolina's Mack Brown (1996), Clemson's Dabo Swinney (2015 & 2018), Wake Forest's Dave Clawson (2021) and Florida State's Mike Norvell (2023).

■ Four current ACC coaches have won over 100 games in their coaching careers - Mack Brown (North Carolina), Dabo Swinney (Clemson), Dave Clawson (Wake Forest) and Dave Doeren (NC State).

CONSISTENT COACHING STAFFS

■ Entering the 2024 season, there were just seven FBS programs in the country to return its entire staff from the 2023 season, five of which are in the ACC.

Teams with 100% of the Coaching Staff Returning

Team	Conference
Florida State	ACC
Liberty	CUSA
Louisville	ACC
NC State	ACC
Stanford	ACC
Utah	Big 12
Wake Forest	ACC

SYRACUSE, DUKE & BC HIRE NEW HEAD COACHES

■ Fran Brown was named the 31st head coach at Syracuse on November 28, 2023. A native of Camden, New Jersey, Brown spent the past two seasons with Georgia (2022-23), including a part of the national championship team in 2022. He has also coached at Rutgers (2020-21), Baylor (2017-18), and Temple (2011-16).

■ Manny Diaz was named the 23rd head football coach at Duke on December 7, 2023. The former Miami head coach, most recently served as the defensive coordinator and linebackers coach at Penn State for the past two seasons. In Diaz's 26 years of coaching, three have been spent as a head coach and 15 as a defensive coordinator.

■ Bill O'Brien becomes the 37th head coach in Boston College history, it was announced on February 9, 2024. A 32-year coaching veteran in the college and professional ranks, O'Brien was elevated to his first head coaching post at Penn State in 2012. He guided the Nittany Lions to an overall record of 15-9 and 10-6 Big Ten mark during the span of two seasons while directing the program through a postseason ban. He was named the head coach of the NFL's Houston Texans in 2014, leading the franchise to a 52-48 record, four AFC South Division titles, and four playoff appearances - including two Wild Card round wins - between 2014 and 2020. After his time in Houston, O'Brien returned to the college game as the quarterbacks coach and offensive coordinator at Alabama under Nick Saban. 2021 and 2022.

COACHING RECORDS

*as of Sept. 3, 2024

CAREER VICTORIES - ACTIVE COACHES

Rk	Name (Current School)	Wins
1.	Mack Brown (North Carolina)	283
	Brian Kelly (LSU)	283
3.	K.C. Keeler (Sam Houston)	263
4.	Kirk Ferentz (Iowa)	209
5.	Willie Fritz (Houston)	208
6.	Chris Creighton (Eastern Michigan)	192
7.	Rich Rodriguez (Jacksonville State)	181
8.	Dabo Swinney (Clemson)	170
9.	Mike Gundy (Oklahoma State)	167
10.	Lance Leipold (Kansas)	164
11.	Kyle Whittingham (Utah)	163
12.	Dave Clawson (Wake Forest)	154
13.	Bronco Mendenhall (New Mexico)	135
14.	Troy Calhoun (Air Force)	131
15.	Chuck Martin (Miami (OH))	130
16.	Curt Cignetti (Indiana)	120
17.	Bret Bielema (Illinois)	116
18.	James Franklin (Penn State)	113
	Pete Lembo (Buffalo)	113
20.	Bob Chesney (James Madison)	112
	Chris Klieman (Kansas State)	112
22.	Jamey Chadwell (Liberty)	111
23.	Ken Niumatalolo (San Jose State)	110
24.	Jeff Monken (Army)	107
25.	Kalen DeBoer (Alabama)	106
26.	Dave Doeren (NC State)	105
39.	Jeff Brohm (Louisville)	77
40.	Mario Cristobal (Miami)	75
47.	Mike Norvell (Florida State)	69
48.	Pat Narduzzi (Pitt)	66

CAREER WINNING PERCENTAGE - ACTIVE COACHES

Rk	Name (Current School)	Record	Pct. [^]
1.	Kalen DeBoer (Alabama)	106-12	.898
2.	Ryan Day (Ohio State)	57-8	.877
3.	Kirby Smart (Georgia)	95-16	.856
4.	Jon Sumrall (Tulane)	24-5	.828
5.	Dan Lanning (Oregon)	23-5	.821
6.	Lincoln Riley (USC)	75-18	.806
7.	Dabo Swinney (Clemson)	170-44	.794
8.	Curt Cignetti (Indiana)	120-35	.774
9.	Chris Klieman (Kansas State)	112-37	.752
10.	Jeff Traylor (UTSA)	40-14	.741
11.	Josh Heupel (Tennessee)	56-20	.737
12.	Lance Leipold (Kansas)	164-60	.732
13.	Brian Kelly (LSU)	283-104-2	.730
14.	Marcus Freeman (Notre Dame)	20-8	.714
15.	Bob Chesney (James Madison)	112-46	.709
16.	K.C. Keeler (Sam Houston)	263-109-1	.706
17.	Luke Fickell (Wisconsin)	72-31	.699
18.	Rhett Lashlee (SMU)	20-9	.690
19.	Deion Sanders (Colorado)	31-14	.689
20.	Mike Gundy (Oklahoma State)	167-79	.679
21.	James Franklin (Penn State)	113-54	.677
22.	Kyle Whittingham (Utah)	163-79	.674
23.	Mike Norvell (Florida State)	69-34	.670
24.	Shawn Clark (App State)	36-18	.667
25.	Lane Kiffin (Ole Miss)	96-49	.662

- Mack Brown (North Carolina) 283-149-1 .655
- Troy Taylor (Stanford) 33-18 .647
- Dave Doeren (NC State) 105-62 .629
- Bill O'Brien (Boston College) 15-9 .625
- Jeff Brohm (Louisville) 77-48 .616

[^] minimum one full season as a coach

ACC HEAD COACHING RECORDS

Head Coach, School	Year	Overall		at ACC School		
		Record	Pct.	Year	Record	Pct.
Bill O'Brien, Boston College	3rd	16-9	.625	1st	1-0	1.000
Justin Wilcox, California	8th	37-43	.463	1st	1-0	1.000
Dabo Swinney, Clemson	17th	170-44	.794	17th	170-44	.794
Manny Diaz, Duke	4th	22-15	.595	4th	22-15	.595
Mike Norvell, Florida State	9th	69-34	.670	5th	31-19	.620
Brent Key, Georgia Tech	3rd	13-10	.565	3rd	13-10	.565
Jeff Brohm, Louisville	11th	77-48	.616	2nd	11-4	.733
Mario Cristobal, Miami	14th	75-73	.507	3rd	13-13	.500
Mack Brown, North Carolina	36th	283-149-1	.655	16th	108-73-1	.596
Dave Doeren, NC State	14th	105-62	.629	12th	82-58	.586
Pat Narduzzi, Pitt	10th	66-50	.569	10th	66-50	.569
Rhett Lashlee, SMU	3rd	20-9	.690	1st	2-0	1.000
Troy Taylor, Stanford	5th	33-18	.647	1st	0-1	.000
Fran Brown, Syracuse	1st	1-0	1.000	1st	1-0	1.000
Tony Elliott, Virginia	3rd	7-16	.304	3rd	7-16	.304
Brent Pry, Virginia Tech	3rd	10-15	.400	3rd	10-15	.400
Dave Clawson, Wake Forest	25th	154-141	.522	11th	64-61	.512

PRESEASON WATCH LISTS

■ Below is a full list of ACC football players named to national preseason watch lists for 2024.

Lott IMPACT Trophy

Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB
Tre Freeman, Duke, LB
Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DL
Rueben Bain, Jr., Miami, DE
Kaimon Rucker, North Carolina, RUSH
David Bailey, Stanford, LB
Marlowe Wax, Syracuse, LB

Maxwell Award

Thomas Castellanos, Boston College, QB
Jaydn Ott, Cal, RB
Cade Klubnik, Clemson, QB
Phil Mafah, Clemson, RB
Jordan Moore, Duke, WR
DJ Uiagalelei, Florida State, QB
Haynes King, Georgia Tech, QB
Jamal Haynes, Georgia Tech, RB
Tyler Shough, Louisville, QB
Damien Martinez, Miami, RB
Xavier Restrepo, Miami, WR
Cam Ward, Miami, QB
Grayson McCall, NC State, QB
Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB
Preston Stone, SMU, QB
Elic Ayomanor, Stanford, WR
Kyle McCord, Syracuse, QB
LeQuint Allen, Syracuse, RB
Kyrone Drones, Virginia Tech, QB
Bhaysul Tuten, Virginia Tech, RB

Patrick Mannelly Award

Philip Florenzo, Clemson, LS

Bronko Nagurski Trophy

Peter Woods, Clemson, DE
Joshua Farmer, Florida State, DT
Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE
Francisco Mauigoa, Miami, LB
Kaimon Rucker, North Carolina, DE
Jonas Sanker, Virginia, S
Aeneas Peebles, Virginia Tech, DT

Outland Trophy

Ozzy Trapilo, Boston College, OT
Blake Miller, Clemson, OT
Joshua Farmer, Florida State, DT
Darius Washington, Florida State, OT
Weston Franklin, Georgia Tech, C
Michael Gonzalez, Louisville, OG
Jalen Rivers, Miami, OT
Zeke Correll, NC State, C
Justin Osborne, SMU, C

Paycom Jim Thorpe Award

Shyheim Brown, Florida State, DB
Quincy Riley, Louisville, DB
Aydan White, NC State, CB
Donovan McMillon, Pitt, DB
Jonas Sanker, Virginia, S

Jet Award

Brashard Smith, SMU, RB
Tucker Holloway, Virginia Tech, WR
Bhaysul Tuten, Virginia Tech, RB

Ray Guy Award

Lachlan Wilson, Cal, P
Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P
Daniel Sparks, Virginia, P
Peter Moore, Virginia Tech, P
Ivan Mora, Wake Forest, P

Lou Groza Award

Todd Pelino, Duke, PK
Ryan Fitzgerald, Florida State, PK
Aidan Birr, Georgia Tech, PK
Andres Borregales, Miami, PK
Noah Burnette, North Carolina, PK
Will Bettridge, Virginia, PK
John Love, Virginia Tech, PK

Paul Hornung Award

Jayden McGowan, Boston College, WR
Jaydn Ott, Cal, RB
Jamal Haynes, Georgia Tech, RB
Caulin Lacy, Louisville, WR
Alijah Huzzie, North Carolina, DB
Kenny Johnson, Pitt, WR
Trebora Pena, Syracuse, WR
Bhaysul Tuten, Virginia Tech, RB

Wuerffel Trophy

Donovan Ezeiruaku, Boston College, DE
Jaydn Ott, Cal, RB
Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB
Maurice Smith, Florida State, OL
Clayton Powell-Lee, Georgia Tech, DB
Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DL
Jaden Harris, Miami, DB
Kaimon Rucker, North Carolina, RUSH
Brandon Cleveland, NC State, DT
Brandon George, Pitt, LB
Jonathan McGill, SMU, S
Tristan Sinclair, Stanford, ILB
Justin Barron, Syracuse, DB
Will Bettridge, Virginia, PK
Jaylin Lane, Virginia Tech, WR
Justin Cody, Wake Forest, DL

Walter Camp Award

D.J. Uiagalelei, Florida State, QB
Jamal Haynes, Georgia Tech, RB
Cam Ward, Miami, QB
Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB
Grayson McCall, NC State, QB
Elic Ayomanor, Stanford, WR
Kyle McCord, Syracuse, QB

Doak Walker Award

Kye Robichaux, Boston College, RB
Jaydn Ott, Cal, RB
Phil Mafah, Clemson, RB
Jaquez Moore, Duke, RB
Jamal Haynes, Georgia Tech, RB
Donald Chaney, Louisville, RB
Damien Martinez, Miami, RB
Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB
Jordan Waters, NC State, RB
Rodney Hammond Jr., Pitt, RB
Jaylan Knighton, SMU, RB
Ryan Butler, Stanford, RB
LeQuint Allen, Syracuse, RB
Bhaysul Tuten, Virginia Tech, RB
Demond Claiborne, Wake Forest, RB

Biletnikoff Award

Jordan Moore, Duke, WR
Caulin Lacy, Louisville, WR
Samuel Brown, Miami, WR
Jacolby George, Miami, WR
Xavier Restrepo, Miami, WR
Kevin "KC" Concepcion, NC State, WR
Elic Ayomanor, Stanford, WR
Malachi Fields, Virginia, WR

Comeback Player of the Year Award

Bryce Steele, Boston College, LB
CJ Harris, Cal, QB
Cole Turner, Clemson, WR
Eli Pancol, Duke, WR
Leo Blackburn, Georgia Tech, WR
Sylvain Yondjouen, Georgia Tech, DL
Ja'Corey Brooks, Louisville, WR
Tyler Shough, Louisville, QB
Emory Williams, Miami, QB
Kobe Paysour, North Carolina, WR
Grayson McCall, NC State, QB
Trebora Pena, Syracuse, WR
Oronde Gadsden II, Syracuse, TE
Kam Butler, Virginia, DE
Nick Gallo, Virginia Tech, TE
Ali Jennings, Virginia Tech, WR
Donavon Greene, Wake Forest, WR

Davey O'Brien Award

Cade Klubnik, Clemson, QB
DJ Uiagalelei, Florida State, QB
Haynes King, Georgia Tech, QB
Cam Ward, Miami, QB
Grayson McCall, NC State, QB
Preston Stone, SMU, QB
Kyle McCord, Syracuse, QB
Kyrone Drones, Virginia Tech, QB

John Mackey Award

Jack Endries, Cal, TE
Jake Briningstool, Clemson, TE
Kyle Morlock, Florida State, TE
Mark Redman, Louisville, TE
John Copenhaver, North Carolina, TE
Bryson Nesbit, North Carolina, TE
Justin Joly, NC State, TE
Gavin Bartholomew, Pitt, TE
R.J. Maryland, SMU, TE
Sam Roush, Stanford, TE
Nick Gallo, Virginia Tech, TE

Rimington Trophy

Drew Kendall, Boston College, C
Maurice Smith, Florida State, C
Weston Franklin, Georgia Tech, C
Pete Nygra, Louisville, C
Zeke Correll, NC State, C
Justin Osborne, SMU, C
Levi Rogers, Stanford, C
Brian Stevens, Virginia, C
Luke Petitbon, Wake Forest, C

Dick Butkus Award

Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB
Francisco Mauigoa, Miami, LB
Power Echols, North Carolina, LB
Sean Brown, NC State, LB
Gaethan Bernadel, Stanford, LB
Marlowe Wax, Syracuse, LB
Sam Brumfield, Virginia Tech, LB

Bednarik Award

Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB
Peter Woods, Clemson, DT
Tre Freeman, Duke, LB
Joshua Farmer, Florida State, DT
Patrick Payton, Florida State, DE
Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE
Quincy Riley, Louisville, CB
Rueben Bain, Jr., Miami, DE
Francisco Mauigoa, Miami, LB
Power Echols, North Carolina, LB
Kaimon Rucker, North Carolina, Edge
Davin Vann, NC State, DE
Donovan McMillon, Pitt, S
Elijah Roberts, SMU, DE
Marlowe Wax, Syracuse, LB
Jonas Sanker, Virginia, S
Aeneas Peebles, Virginia Tech, DT
Antwaun Powell-Ryland, Virginia Tech, DE
Jasheen Davis, Wake Forest, DE

Manning Award

Thomas Castellanos, Boston College, QB
Cade Klubnik, Clemson, QB
Haynes King, Georgia Tech, QB
Preston Stone, SMU, QB
Kyrone Drones, Virginia Tech, QB

Lombardi Award

Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB
Blake Miller, Clemson, OT
Peter Woods, Clemson, DT
Darius Washington, Florida State, OT
Patrick Payton, Florida State, DE
Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE
Rueben Bain, Jr., Miami, DE
Kaimon Rucker, North Carolina, DE
Logan Parr, SMU, OG
Aeneas Peebles, Virginia Tech, DT
Antwaun Powell-Ryland, Virginia Tech, DE

Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award

Thomas Castellanos, Boston College, QB
Fernando Mendoza, Cal, QB
Cade Klubnik, Clemson, QB
DJ Uiagalelei, Florida State, QB
Haynes King, Georgia Tech, QB
Tyler Shough, Louisville, QB
Cam Ward, Miami, QB
Grayson McCall, NC State, QB
Nate Yarnell, Pitt, QB
Preston Stone, SMU, QB
Ashton Daniels, Stanford, QB
Kyle McCord, Syracuse, QB
Kyrone Drones, Virginia Tech, QB

Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award

Chandler Rogers, Cal, QB
 Cade Klubnik, Clemson, QB
 Jeremiah Byers, Florida State, OL
 Haynes King, Georgia Tech, QB
 Damien Martinez, Miami, RB
 Cam Ward, Miami, QB
 Nate Yarnell, Pitt, QB
 Preston Stone, SMU, QB
 J'Onre Reed, Syracuse, C
 Kyron Drones, Virginia Tech, QB

Reese's Senior Bowl

Kam Arnold, Boston College, LB
 Bryquice Brown, Boston College, DB
 Donovan Ezeiruaku, Boston College, DL
 Cam Horsley, Boston College, DL
 Amari Jackson, Boston College, DB
 Ozzy Trapilo, Boston College, OL
 Treshaun Ward, Boston College, RB
 Teddye Buchanan, Cal, LB
 Kadarius Calloway, Cal, RB
 Xavier Carlton, Cal, DL
 Ricky Correia, Cal, DL
 Marcus Harris, Cal, DB
 Jaydn Ott, Cal, RB
 David Reese, Cal, DL
 Rush Reimer, Cal, OL
 T.J. Session, Cal, OL
 Nohl Williams, Cal, DB
 Craig Woodson, Cal, DB
 Jake Briningstool, Clemson, TE
 DeMonte Capehart, Clemson, DL
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB
 Phil Mafah, Clemson, RB
 R.J. Mickens, Clemson, DB
 Blake Miller, Clemson, OL
 Walker Parks, Clemson, OL
 Aidan Swanson, Clemson, P
 Marcus Tate, Clemson, OL
 Jaquez Moore, Duke, RB
 Jordan Moore, Duke, WR
 Ozzie Nicholas, Duke, LB
 Malik Benson, Florida State, WR
 Jeremiah Byers, Florida State, OL
 Fentrell Cypress II, Florida State, DB
 Joshua Farmer, Florida State, DL
 Ryan Fitzgerald, Florida State, K
 Darrell Jackson Jr., Florida State, DL
 Marvin Jones Jr., Florida State, DL
 DJ Lundy, Florida State, DL
 Alex Mastroanno, Florida State, P
 Patrick Payton, Florida State, DL
 Cam Riley, Florida State, LB
 Azareye'h Thomas, Florida State, DB
 Lawrence Tafilli, Florida State, RB
 DJ Uigalelei, Florida State, QB
 Darius Washington, Florida State, OL
 Roydell Williams, Florida State, RB
 Zeek Biggers, Georgia Tech, DL
 Weston Franklin, Georgia Tech, OL
 Kevin Harris, Georgia Tech, DL
 Jordan Williams, Georgia Tech, OL
 Sylvain Yondjouen, Georgia Tech, DL
 Ja'Corey Brooks, Louisville, WR
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DL
 Thor Griffith, Louisville, DL
 Caullin Lacy, Louisville, WR
 Tamarion McDonald, Louisville, DB
 Jonathan Mendoza, Louisville, OL

Tahveon Nicholson, Louisville, DB
 Mark Redman, Louisville, TE
 Quincy Riley, Louisville, DB
 Tyler Shough, Louisville, QB
 Corey Thornton, Louisville, DB
 Tyler Baron, Miami, DL
 Simeon Barrow Jr., Miami, DL
 Andres Borregales, Miami, K
 Samuel Brown, Miami, WR
 Jacolby George, Miami, WR
 Damien Martinez, Miami, RB
 Francisco Mauigoa, Miami, LB
 Akheem Mesidor, Miami, DL
 Daryl Porter Jr., Miami, DB
 Mishael Powell, Miami, DB
 Xavier Restrepo, Miami, WR
 Jalen Rivers, Miami, OL
 Cam Ward, Miami, QB
 Marcus Allen, North Carolina, DB
 Power Echols, North Carolina, LB
 Desmond Evans, North Carolina, LB
 Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, LB
 Max Johnson, North Carolina, QB
 J.J. Jones, North Carolina, WR
 Willie Lampkin, North Carolina, OL
 Bryson Nesbit, North Carolina, TE
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 Donovan McMillon, Pitt, DB
 Konata Mumpfield, Pitt, WR
 Branson Taylor, Pitt, OL
 Jake Bailey, SMU, WR
 Anthony Booker Jr., SMU, DL
 Brandon Crossley, SMU, DB
 Jared Harrison-Hunte, SMU, DL
 Jahfari Harvey, SMU, LB
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 Elic Ayomanor, Stanford, WR
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 Dion Wilson Jr., Syracuse, DL
 Justin Barron, Syracuse, DB
 Aljiah Clark, Syracuse, DB
 Fadil Diggs, Syracuse, LB
 Oronde Gadsden II, Syracuse, TE
 Kyle McCord, Syracuse, QB
 Savion Washington, Syracuse, OL
 Marlowe Wax, Syracuse, LB
 Chico Bennett Jr., Virginia, LB
 Jonas Sanker, Virginia, DB
 Brian Stevens, Virginia, OL
 Chris Tyree, Virginia, WR
 Sam Brumsfield, Virginia Tech, LB
 Mansoor Delane, Virginia Tech, DB
 Kyron Drones, Virginia Tech, QB
 Da'Quan Felton, Virginia Tech, WR
 Ali Jennings, Virginia Tech, WR
 Jaylin Lane, Virginia Tech, WR
 Keli Lawson, Virginia Tech, LB

Kaden Moore, Virginia Tech, OL
 Antwaun Powell-Ryland, Virginia Tech, LB
 Jalen Stroman, Virginia Tech, DB
 Dorian Strong, Virginia Tech, DB
 Bhayshul Tuten, Virginia Tech, RB
 Branson Combs, Wake Forest, LB
 Jasheen Davis, Wake Forest, DL
 Donavon Greene, Wake Forest, WR
 Taylor Morin, Wake Forest, WR

Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year

Sammy Brown, Clemson, LB
 TJ Moore, Clemson, WR
 Elija Lofton, Miami, TE
 Samson Okunlola, Miami, OG
 Noah Rogers, NC State, WR

ACC NOMINEES FOR AFCA GOOD WORKS TEAM

■ The ACC had 16 student-athletes recognized as nominees for the 2024 AFCA Good Works Team.

AFCA Good Works Team Nominees

Donovan Ezeiruaku, Boston College
 Jaydn Ott, Cal
 Barrett Carter, Clemson
 Maurice Smith, Florida State
 Clayton Powell-Lee, Georgia Tech
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville
 Jaden Harris, Miami
 Kaimon Rucker, North Carolina
 Brandon Cleveland, NC State
 Brandon George, Pitt
 Jonathan McGill, SMU
 Tristan Sinclair, Stanford
 Justin Barron, Syracuse
 Will Bettridge, Virginia
 Jaylin Lane, Virginia Tech
 Justin Cody, Wake Forest

PRESEASON HONORS & RECOGNITION

■ Below is a full list of ACC football players that received preseason All-America recognition.

Action Network Preseason All-America

Kevin "KC" Concepcion, NC State, WR (2nd)
 Darius Washington, Florida State, OT (2nd)
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE (2nd)
 Antwaun Powell-Ryland, Virginia Tech, DE (2nd)
 Francisco Mauigoa, Miami, LB (2nd)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (2nd)

Associated Press Preseason All-America

Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (1st)
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE (1st)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (1st)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (1st)
 Andrew Borregales, Miami, PK (2nd)

Athlon Sports Preseason All-America

Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (1st)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (1st)
 Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (2nd)
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE (2nd)
 Andrew Borregales, Miami, PK (2nd)
 Damien Martinez, Miami, RB (3rd)
 Jaydn Ott, Cal, RB/AP (3rd)
 Kevin "KC" Concepcion, NC State, WR (3rd)
 Xavier Restrepo, Miami, WR (3rd)
 Jalen Rivers, Miami, OL (3rd)
 Darius Washington, Florida State, OL (3rd)
 Rueben Bain, Jr., Miami, DL (3rd)
 Patrick Payton, Florida State, DL (3rd)
 Kaimon Rucker, North Carolina, LB (3rd)
 Francisco Mauigoa, Miami, LB (3rd)
 Brashard Smith, SMU, KR (3rd)
 Tucker Holloway, Virginia Tech, PR (3rd)
 Caullin Lacy, Louisville, WR (4th)
 Blake Miller, Clemson, OL (4th)
 Antwaun Powell-Ryland, Virginia Tech, DL (4th)
 Aydan White, NC State, CB (4th)
 Jonas Sanker, Virginia, S (4th)
 Bhayshul Tuten, Virginia Tech, AP (3rd)

The Athletic Preseason All-America

Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE (1st)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (1st)
 Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (2nd)
 Kevin "KC" Concepcion, NC State, WR (2nd)
 Rueben Bain, Jr., Miami, DE (2nd)
 Marlowe Wax, Syracuse, LB (2nd)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (2nd)
 Quincy Riley, Louisville, CB (2nd)

College Football Network Preseason All-America

Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, Flex (1st)
 Kevin "KC" Concepcion, NC State, WR (2nd)
 RJ Maryland, SMU, TE (2nd)
 Maurice Smith, Florida State, C (2nd)
 Kaimon Rucker, North Carolina, Edge (2nd)
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, Edge (2nd)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (2nd)
 Francisco Mauigoa, Miami, LB (2nd)
 Bhayshul Tuten, Virginia Tech, KR (2nd)
 Kobe Wilson, SMU, ST (2nd)
 Jaydn Ott, Cal, RB (3rd)
 DJ Lundy, Florida State, LB (3rd)
 Rueben Bain, Jr., Miami, Flex (3rd)

College Football News Preseason All-America

Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (2nd)
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE (2nd)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (2nd)
 Andrew Borregales, Miami, PK (2nd)

ESPN Preseason All-America

Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (1st)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (1st)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (1st)
 Peter Woods, Clemson, DT (2nd)
 Andrew Borregales, Miami, PK (2nd)

Lindy's Sports Preseason All-America

Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE (1st)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (1st)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (1st)
 Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (2nd)
 Jonas Sanker, Virginia, S (2nd)

Phil Steele Preseason All-America

Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (1st)
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE (1st)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (2nd)
 Francisco Mauigoa, Miami, LB (2nd)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (2nd)
 Damien Martinez, Miami, RB (3rd)
 Kevin "KC" Concepcion, NC State, WR (3rd)
 Xavier Restrepo, Miami, WR (3rd)
 Joshua Farmer, Florida State, DT (3rd)
 Rueben Bain, Jr., Miami, DE (3rd)
 Jonas Sanker, Virginia, S (3rd)
 Andrew Borregales, Miami, PK (3rd)
 Bhayshul Tuten, Virginia Tech, AP (3rd)
 Jaydn Ott, Cal, RB (4th)
 Caullin Lacy, Louisville, WR (4th)
 Bryson Nesbitt, North Carolina, TE (4th)
 Darius Washington, Florida State, OT (4th)
 Blake Miller, Clemson, OT (4th)
 Antwaun Powell-Ryland, Virginia Tech, DE (4th)
 Kaimon Rucker, North Carolina, LB (4th)
 Aydan White, NC State, CB (4th)

PFF Preseason All-America

Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (one team)

The Sporting News Preseason All-America

Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (1st)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (1st)
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, LB (2nd)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (2nd)
 Tucker Holloway, Virginia Tech, PR (2nd)

USA TODAY Sports preseason All-America

Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE (1st)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (1st)
 Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (2nd)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (2nd)
 Andrew Borregales, Miami, PK (2nd)

Walter Camp Preseason All-America

Omarion Hampton, North Carolina, RB (1st)
 Ashton Gillotte, Louisville, DE (1st)
 Alex Mastromanno, Florida State, P (1st)
 Bryson Nesbit, North Carolina, TE (2nd)
 Andrew Borregales, Miami, PK (2nd)
 Peter Woods, Clemson, DT (2nd)
 Barrett Carter, Clemson, LB (2nd)

AROUND THE ACC

◆ **Boston College:** With a season-opening road win at then-No. 10 Florida State (September 2), BC earned its first win over a top-10 team since defeating No. 9 USC in 2014 and opened the year with a top-10 win for the first time since taking down No. 7 Texas in 1976. BC outgained FSU 369-293 in total offense, including 263-21 yards on the ground, and held the ball for 39:09 time of possession.

◆ **California:** The Golden Bears recorded three interceptions and shut out UC Davis in the second half to record the season-opening win, its first as a member of the ACC. The three interceptions were the most in a game for the Cal defense since recording three in the 2023 opener at North Texas. In 2023, Cal tied for the nation's lead with 28 takeaways, which included 12 interceptions.

◆ **Clemson:** Saturday night's contest at home versus App State will be Clemson's 27th night game in Death Valley under head coach Dabo Swinney. Clemson is 23-3 in home night games in Swinney's tenure, and the Tigers have won 20 consecutive night games in Memorial Stadium, the nation's second-longest active streak in home night games. With an all-time record of 798-473-45, the Tigers are two wins away from becoming the 14th FBS team (and first ACC team) to win 800 games all-time.

◆ **Duke:** Duke kicked off the season with a 26-3 home victory over Elon in Week 1 (Aug. 30), as the Blue Devils' defense allowed just 30 rushing yards while posting 16.0 tackles-for-loss and 8.0 quarterback sacks. The 16.0 TFLs were the most by a Duke defense in a single game since 2007, while the 8.0 sacks marked the highest in a single game since recording 9.0 against Miami in 2019.

◆ **Florida State:** Ray Guy Award preseason watch list member Ryan Fitzgerald has been the most consistent player for the Seminoles to start the 2024 season, as he is 4-for-4 on field goals and 2-for-2 on PATs on the season. His 14 points are the most on the team and tied for 20th nationally. His 59-yard field goal in the season opener versus Georgia Tech is the longest field goal in all of FBS this season.

◆ **Georgia Tech:** Georgia Tech is 2-0 for the first time since 2016. The Yellow Jackets have done it with a balanced offensive attack, as GT has totaled 415 rushing yards and passed for 420 yards this season, an average of 207.5 rushing and 210.0 passing yards per game. Georgia Tech has also recorded 40 first downs this season - 20 rushing and 19 passing. The Jackets are also one of nine ACC teams to have scored on every one of its red zone possessions.

◆ **Louisville:** The Cardinals opened the season with an impressive 62-0 win over Austin Peay in Week 1. Transfer quarterback Tyler Shough tied a school record for touchdown passes by a quarterback in his debut with four touchdown passes — all coming in the first half. Shough completed 18-of-24 passes for 232 yards. His 232 passing yards were the highest first-half total for a player making his first Louisville start since Jay Gruden passed for 234 yards in a 45-6 win over Western Kentucky in 1986.

◆ **Miami:** In the Hurricanes' season opener at Florida (August 31), the Miami offense scored on six of its first eight possessions and never looked back in what was eventually a dominant 41-17 win over the rival Gators. Miami gained 529 total yards in the non-conference win, marking the most yards Miami has totaled against an SEC opponent since the Hurricanes had 542 yards against Vanderbilt in 1981.

◆ **North Carolina:** With starting quarterback Max Johnson going down with an injury in the season opener at Minnesota (August 29), Omarion Hampton took over and finished the game with 129 rushing yards. Hampton rushed for over 100 yards for the ninth time in his career. Hampton's 129 rushing yards were the most by a Tar Heel in a season opener since Elijah Hood recorded 138 against South Carolina in 2015.

◆ **NC State:** The Wolfpack connection of Grayson McCall and Kevin "KC" Concepcion was in full force in the season-opening win over Western Carolina (August 29), as the duo connected nine times for 121 yards and three touchdowns. All three of McCall's passing touchdowns were to Concepcion, including the first of three NC State scores in the fourth quarter that pushed the Wolfpack into the lead for good in the win.

◆ **Pitt:** The Panthers' offense had a strong showing in the season opener versus Kent State (August 31), as Pitt registered 570 total net yards on offense, the first time it reached 500 yards of total offense since November 26, 2022, at Miami (510). The 31 first downs recorded by the Panthers were the fifth most inside Acrisure Stadium (since 2001) and the most at home since September 25, 2001 against New Hampshire (35). Running back Desmond Reid, wide receiver Kenny Johnson and quarterback Eli Holstein became the first trio of Panthers to have a 100-yard rushing game, 100-yard receiving game and 300-yard passing game since C'Bo Flemister (105 rushing), Bub Means (109 receiving) and Christian Veilleux (302 passing) at Wake Forest on Oct. 21, 2023.

◆ **SMU:** The Mustangs found paydirt a lot in their 59-7 home-opening win over Houston Christian (August 31) last weekend. In fact, SMU had 10 different players account for a point, including seven different players with a touchdown. The 59 points were tied for the 15th most in a single game in program history, as the Mustangs are 2-0 on the season and extended their home win streak to nine consecutive games heading into a home contest versus BYU of the Big 12 this week.

◆ **Stanford:** Cardinal standout wide receiver Elic Ayomanor picked up right where he left off following a breakout 2023 season, as he led Stanford in receiving in its Week 1 game against TCU, with seven receptions for 102 yards, his fourth 100-yard receiving game of his career (13 games). His 102 yards were the seventh most in the ACC in Week 1.

◆ **Syracuse:** Transfer quarterback Kyle McCord had a memorable Syracuse debut in the season opener. He was 27-for-39 for 354 yards and four touchdowns through the air. He posted career highs in completions (27), attempts (39), passing yards (354) and touchdown passes (4), including his tenure at Ohio State. The touchdown mark was one shy of tying the program's single-game record. Three players in 'Cuse history have notched five in a game, most recently Eric Dungey (2018).

◆ **Virginia:** The Cavaliers will take on the Wake Forest Demon Deacons this week for the first time since the 2021 season and the first time in the Tony Elliott era. Virginia is looking to halt a five-game Wake Forest win streak, its longest ever against UVA, as the Cavaliers' last win against Wake Forest came in 2007, a 17-16 win at Scott Stadium. UVA is looking to end a three-game losing streak in ACC openers and secure its first win in a conference opener since 2020 (38-20 win at home vs. Duke). The last two Virginia ACC openers were decided by a combined five points (2021 - L, 20-22 at Syracuse; L, 21-24 vs. NC State).

◆ **Virginia Tech:** The Hokies outscored Vanderbilt 24-10 in the second half, yet failed to score in the overtime period to allow the Commodores to hold on for the 34-27 season-opening win. Quarterback Kyrton Drones had a career day with 322 passing yards and two touchdown passes while running back Bhayshul Tuten scored on both a rushing and receiving touchdown in the loss.

◆ **Wake Forest:** The Demon Deacons open up ACC play at home versus Virginia, meeting the Cavaliers for the first time since 2021. Wake Forest is 24-7 at Allegacy Federal Credit Union Stadium since 2019, which is the third-best winning percentage at home in the ACC during the five years from 2019 to 2023. The home contest is the second of four straight for the Demon Deacons to open up the 2024 season.

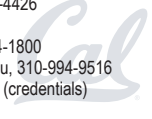
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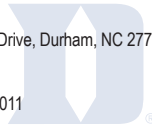
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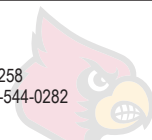
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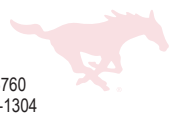
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IMPORTANT DATES FOR COVERING ACC FOOTBALL

Saturday, August 24

• The 2024 football season kicks off in Week 0 beginning with Florida State versus Georgia Tech at the Aer Lingus College Football Classic in Dublin, Ireland.

Monday, August 26

• The first ACC Football Player of the Week Awards will be announced on Monday at 2 p.m. ET.
• Each week of the 2024 season, the ACC Player of the Week honors are announced on Monday at 2 p.m. ET.*
* After week one, ACC Player of the Week honors will be announced each Tuesday at 2 p.m. ET due to a Labor Day game on Monday night.

Monday, November 4

• The ACC Football Championship Game credential application website opens.

Sunday, December 1

• The ACC Football Championship Game participating coaches teleconference - TBD
• All-ACC Football Team voting ends at 5 p.m. ET
• The deadline for media credential applications to the ACC Football Championship Game is at 5 p.m. ET

Sunday, December 1 - Thursday, December 5

• ACC awards will be announced during the week following the conclusion of the regular season. The following awards will be announced.
• Jacobs Blocking Trophy
• Jim Tatum Award (Top Football Scholar-Athlete)
• Brian Piccolo Award, (Most Courageous Football Student-Athlete)
• All-ACC Football Teams
• ACC Offensive, Defensive and Overall Rookies of the Year
• ACC Offensive, Defensive and Overall Players of the Year
• ACC Coach of the Year

Friday, December 6

• ACC Football Championship Game Press Conference (participating coaches) - TBD

Saturday, December 7

• 2024 ACC Football Championship Game
Bank of America Stadium, Charlotte, N.C. - 8 p.m. ET



COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

The College Football Playoff (CFP) is a postseason event to determine college football's national champion on the field while emphasizing the significance of college football's unique regular season where every game counts.

The selection committee ranks the teams based on the members' evaluation of the teams' performance on the field, using conference championships won, strength of schedule, head-to-head results, and comparison of results against common opponents to decide among teams that are comparable.

Starting in the 2024 season, the format of the College Football Playoff is built on a 12-team bracket. The 12 participating teams are the five conference champions ranked highest by the CFP selection committee, plus the next seven highest-ranked teams. The four highest-ranked conference champions will be seeded 1-4 and will receive a first-round bye. The remaining teams, including the fifth conference champion, will be seeded 5-12 based on their final ranking.

The New Year's holiday period and bowl games belong to college football. This season following first-round playoff games on campus, the four Playoff Quarterfinal games will be played in the Fiesta Bowl, Peach Bowl, Rose Bowl Game and Sugar Bowl. The following week, the Cotton Bowl Classic and Orange Bowl will host the Playoff Semifinals.

The two teams that win the Playoff Semifinals compete for the College Football Playoff National Championship. The national championship game is in a different city each year, always on a Monday night. This year's Championship game is on Monday, January 20, at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta.



NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
JANUARY 20 | ATLANTA

CFP FIRST ROUND (ON-CAMPUS)

Fri., Dec. 20, 2024: One Game	Sat., Dec. 21, 2024: Three Games
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PLAYOFF QUARTERFINALS

Tue., Dec. 31, 2024: Vrbo Fiesta Bowl	Wed., Jan. 1, 2025: Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl (early afternoon)	Wed., Jan. 1, 2025: Rose Bowl Game presented by Prudential (late afternoon)	Wed., Jan. 1, 2025: Allstate Sugar Bowl (primetime)
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PLAYOFF SEMIFINALS

Thur., Jan. 9, 2025: Capital One Orange Bowl	Fri., Jan. 10, 2025: Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic
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2025 CFP NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Mon., Jan. 20, 2025
Mercedes Benz Stadium, Atlanta, Georgia

2024 ACC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

The 2024 Atlantic Coast Conference Football Championship Game will be held on Saturday, December 7, at 8 p.m. ET at Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte, North Carolina.

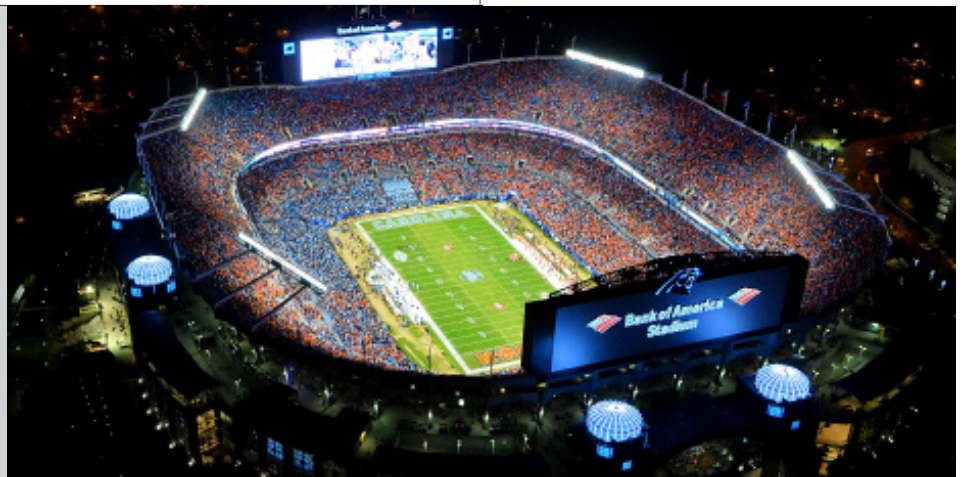
2024 ACC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME WEEK SCHEDULE

Friday, December 6
ACC Football Championship Game Press Conference - TBD

Saturday, December 7
2024 ACC Football Championship Game - 8 p.m. ET

ACC FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP HEADQUARTERS - THE CHARLOTTE MARRIOTT CITY CENTER

The Charlotte Marriott City Center will serve as the headquarters for the ACC Football Championship Game. The Marriott is located at 100 W Trade St, Charlotte, NC 28202, (704) 333-9000.



BOSTON COLLEGE (1-0, 1-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Sept. 2	at #10 Florida State * (Mon.) W, 28-13
Sept. 7	Duquesne 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX
Sept. 14	at Missouri 12:45 p.m. ET, SECN
Sept. 21	Michigan State
Sept. 28	Western Kentucky
Oct. 5	at Virginia *
Oct. 12	OPEN
Oct. 17	at Virginia Tech * (Thur.) 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Oct. 25	Louisville * (Fri.) 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN2
Nov. 2	OPEN
Nov. 9	Syracuse *
Nov. 16	at SMU *
Nov. 23	North Carolina *
Nov. 30	Pitt *

CALIFORNIA (1-0, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 31	UC Davis W, 31-13
Sept. 7	at Auburn 3:30 p.m. ET, ESPN2
Sept. 14	San Diego State 10:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Sept. 21	at Florida State *
Sept. 28	OPEN
Oct. 5	Miami *
Oct. 12	at Pitt *
Oct. 19	NC State *
Oct. 26	Oregon State
Nov. 2	OPEN
Nov. 8	at Wake Forest * (Fri.) 8 p.m. ET, ACCN
Nov. 16	Syracuse *
Nov. 23	Stanford *
Nov. 30	at SMU *

CLEMSON (0-1, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 31	Aflac Kickoff Game (Atlanta, Ga.) vs. #1 Georgia L, 3-34
Sept. 7	App State 8 p.m. ET, ACCN
Sept. 14	OPEN
Sept. 21	NC State *
Sept. 28	Stanford *
Oct. 5	at Florida State *
Oct. 12	at Wake Forest *
Oct. 19	Virginia *
Oct. 26	OPEN
Nov. 2	Louisville *
Nov. 9	at Virginia Tech *
Nov. 16	at Pitt *
Nov. 23	The Citadel
Nov. 30	South Carolina

DUKE (1-0, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 30	Elon (Fri.) W, 26-3
Sept. 6	at Northwestern (Fri.) 9 p.m. ET, FS1
Sept. 14	UConn 6 p.m. ET, ACCNX
Sept. 21	at Middle Tennessee .. 7 p.m. ET, ESPN or ESPN2
Sept. 28	North Carolina *
Oct. 5	at Georgia Tech *
Oct. 12	OPEN
Oct. 18	Florida State * (Fri.) 7 p.m. ET, ESPN2
Oct. 26	SMU *
Nov. 2	at Miami *
Nov. 9	at NC State *
Nov. 16	OPEN
Nov. 23	Virginia Tech *
Nov. 30	at Wake Forest *

FLORIDA STATE (0-2, 0-2 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 24	Aer Lingus College Football Classic (Ireland) vs. Georgia Tech * L, 21-24
Sept. 2	Boston College * (Mon.) L, 13-28
Sept. 7	OPEN
Sept. 14	Memphis noon ET, ESPN
Sept. 21	California *
Sept. 28	at SMU *
Oct. 5	Clemson *
Oct. 12	OPEN
Oct. 18	at Duke * (Fri.) 7 p.m. ET, ESPN2
Oct. 26	at Miami *
Nov. 2	North Carolina *
Nov. 9	at Notre Dame 7:30 p.m. ET, NBC
Nov. 16	OPEN
Nov. 23	Charleston Southern
Nov. 30	Florida

GEORGIA TECH (2-0, 1-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 24	Aer Lingus College Football Classic (Ireland) vs. #10 Florida State * W, 24-21
Aug. 31	Georgia State W, 35-12
Sept. 7	at Syracuse * noon ET, ACCN
Sept. 14	VMI 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX
Sept. 21	at Louisville *
Sept. 28	OPEN
Oct. 5	Duke *
Oct. 12	at North Carolina *
Oct. 19	Notre Dame
Oct. 26	at Virginia Tech *
Nov. 2	OPEN
Nov. 9	Miami *
Nov. 16	OPEN
Nov. 21	NC State * (Thur.) 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Nov. 29	at Georgia 7:30 p.m. ET, ABC

LOUISVILLE (1-0, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 31	Austin Peay W, 62-0
Sept. 7	Jacksonville State 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX
Sept. 14	OPEN
Sept. 21	Georgia Tech *
Sept. 28	at Notre Dame 3:30 p.m. ET, Peacock
Oct. 5	SMU *
Oct. 12	at Virginia *
Oct. 19	Miami *
Oct. 25	at Boston College * (Fri.) 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN2
Nov. 2	at Clemson *
Nov. 9	OPEN
Nov. 16	at Stanford *
Nov. 23	Pitt *
Nov. 30	at Kentucky

MIAMI (1-0, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 31	at Florida W, 41-17
Sept. 7	Florida A&M 6 p.m. ET, ACCNX
Sept. 14	Ball State 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCN
Sept. 21	at South Florida
Sept. 27	Virginia Tech * (Fri.) 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Oct. 5	at California *
Oct. 12	OPEN
Oct. 19	at Louisville *
Oct. 26	Florida State *
Nov. 2	Duke *
Nov. 9	at Georgia Tech *
Nov. 16	OPEN
Nov. 23	Wake Forest *
Nov. 30	at Syracuse *

NORTH CAROLINA (1-0, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 29	at Minnesota (Thur.) W, 19-17
Sept. 7	Charlotte 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCN
Sept. 14	N.C. Central 6 p.m. ET, ACCNX
Sept. 21	James Madison
Sept. 28	at Duke *
Oct. 5	Pitt *
Oct. 12	Georgia Tech *
Oct. 19	OPEN
Oct. 26	at Virginia *
Nov. 2	at Florida State *
Nov. 9	OPEN
Nov. 16	Wake Forest *
Nov. 23	at Boston College *
Nov. 30	NC State *

NC STATE (1-0, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 29	Western Carolina (Thur.) W, 38-21
Sept. 7	Duke's Mayo Classic (Charlotte, N.C.) vs. #14 Tennessee 7:30 p.m. ET, ABC
Sept. 14	Louisiana Tech noon ET, ACCN
Sept. 21	at Clemson *
Sept. 28	Northern Illinois
Oct. 5	Wake Forest *
Oct. 12	Syracuse *
Oct. 19	at California *
Oct. 26	OPEN
Nov. 2	Stanford *
Nov. 9	Duke *
Nov. 16	OPEN
Nov. 21	at Georgia Tech * (Thur.) 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Nov. 30	at North Carolina *

PITT (1-0, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 31	Kent State W, 55-24
Sept. 7	at Cincinnati noon ET, ESPN or ESPN2
Sept. 14	West Virginia 3:30 p.m. ET, ESPN or ESPN2
Sept. 21	Youngstown State 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX
Sept. 28	OPEN
Oct. 5	at North Carolina *
Oct. 12	California *
Oct. 19	OPEN
Oct. 24	Syracuse * (Thur.) 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Nov. 2	at SMU *
Nov. 9	Virginia *
Nov. 16	Clemson *
Nov. 23	at Louisville *
Nov. 30	at Boston College *

SMU (2-0, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent
Aug. 24	at Nevada W, 29-24
Aug. 31	Houston Christian W, 59-7
Sept. 6	BYU (Fri.) 7 p.m. ET, ESPN2
Sept. 14	OPEN
Sept. 21	TCU 5 p.m. ET, The CW
Sept. 28	Florida State *
Oct. 5	at Louisville *
Oct. 12	OPEN
Oct. 19	at Stanford *
Oct. 26	at Duke *
Nov. 2	Pitt *
Nov. 9	OPEN
Nov. 16	Boston College *
Nov. 23	at Virginia *
Nov. 30	California *

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2024 TEAM-BY-TEAM SCHEDULES



STANFORD (0-1, 0-0 ACC)	
Date	Opponent
Aug. 30	TCU (Fri.) L, 27-34
Sept. 7	Cal Poly.....7 p.m. ET, ACCNX
Sept. 14	OPEN
Sept. 20	at Syracuse * (Fri.)7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Sept. 28	at Clemson *
Oct. 5	Virginia Tech *
Oct. 12	at Notre Dame 3:30 p.m. ET, NBC
Oct. 19	SMU *
Oct. 26	Wake Forest *
Nov. 2	at NC State *
Nov. 9	OPEN
Nov. 16	Louisville *
Nov. 23	at California *
Nov. 29	at San José State4 p.m. ET, CBS

SYRACUSE (1-0, 0-0 ACC)	
Date	Opponent
Aug. 31	Ohio W, 38-22
Sept. 7	#23 Georgia Tech * noon ET, ACCN
Sept. 14	OPEN
Sept. 20	Stanford * (Fri.)..... 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Sept. 28	Holy Cross..... noon ET, ACCNX
Oct. 4	at UNLV (Fri.) 9 p.m. ET, FS1
Oct. 12	at NC State *
Oct. 19	OPEN
Oct. 24	at Pitt * (Thur.).....7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Nov. 2	Virginia Tech *
Nov. 9	at Boston College *
Nov. 16	at California *
Nov. 23	UConn
Nov. 30	Miami *

VIRGINIA (1-0, 0-0 ACC)	
Date	Opponent
Aug. 31	Richmond W, 34-13
Sept. 7	at Wake Forest *.....7 p.m. ET, ESPN2
Sept. 14	Maryland8 p.m. ET, ACCN
Sept. 21	at Coastal Carolina
Sept. 28	OPEN
Oct. 5	Boston College *
Oct. 12	Louisville *
Oct. 19	at Clemson *
Oct. 26	North Carolina *
Nov. 2	OPEN
Nov. 9	at Pitt *
Nov. 16	at Notre Dame 3:30 p.m. ET, NBC
Nov. 23	SMU *
Nov. 30	at Virginia Tech *

VIRGINIA TECH (0-1, 0-0 ACC)	
Date	Opponent
Aug. 31	at Vanderbilt L, 27-34 (OT)
Sept. 7	Marshall4:30 p.m. ET, The CW
Sept. 14	at Old Dominion6 p.m. ET, ESPN+
Sept. 21	Rutgers
Sept. 27	at Miami * (Fri.)7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Oct. 5	at Stanford *
Oct. 12	OPEN
Oct. 17	Boston College * (Thur.)..... 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
Oct. 26	Georgia Tech *
Nov. 2	at Syracuse *
Nov. 9	Clemson *
Nov. 16	OPEN
Nov. 23	at Duke *
Nov. 30	Virginia *

WAKE FOREST (1-0, 0-0 ACC)	
Date	Opponent
Aug. 29	North Carolina A&T (Thur.) W, 45-13
Sept. 7	Virginia * 7 p.m. ET, ESPN2
Sept. 14	Ole Miss.....6:30 p.m. ET, The CW
Sept. 21	OPEN
Sept. 28	Louisiana
Oct. 5	at NC State *
Oct. 12	Clemson *
Oct. 19	at UConn noon ET, CBSN
Oct. 26	at Stanford *
Nov. 2	OPEN
Nov. 8	California * (Fri.)8 p.m. ET, ACCN
Nov. 16	at North Carolina *
Nov. 23	at Miami *
Nov. 30	Duke *

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ACC TIEBREAKER POLICY

The Atlantic Coast Conference Football Champion will be decided by a game between the top two (2) post-season eligible teams.

The two teams with the highest percentage of wins during all regular-season Conference competition shall play in the Championship Game. If three (3) or more such teams are tied with the highest percentage of wins or two (2) or more teams are tied with the second highest percentage of wins, the following tiebreaker procedure shall be administered to determine the representative(s) in the Championship Game.

The team with the highest win percentage, either outright or after application of the tiebreaker, shall be declared the number one seed for the Championship Game.

A. Two-Team Tie

1. Head-to-head competition between the two tied teams.
2. Win-percentage versus all common opponents.
3. Win-percentage versus common opponents based upon their order of finish (overall conference win-percentage, with ties broken) and proceeding through other common opponents based upon their order of finish.
4. Combined win-percentage of conference opponents.
5. The tied team with the higher ranking by the Team Rating Score metric provided by SportSource Analytics following the conclusion of regular season games.
6. The representative shall be chosen by a draw as administered by the Commissioner or Commissioner's designee.

B. Three (or More) Team Tie

- Three team (or more) tiebreaker procedure will first be used to identify one Championship Game representative. Once that team is determined, the tiebreaker procedures restart for the remaining tied teams.
1. Combined head-to-head win-percentage among the tied teams if all tied teams are common opponents.
 2. If all the tied teams are not common opponents, the tied team that defeated each of the other tied teams.
 - i. If all the tied teams are not common opponents, no tied team defeated each of the other tied teams, but a tied team lost to each of the other tied teams, such team shall be eliminated and removed from the tie.
 3. Win-percentage versus all common opponents.
 4. Win-percentage versus common opponents based upon their order of finish (overall conference win-percentage, with ties broken) and proceeding through other common opponents based upon their order of finish.
 5. Combined win-percentage of conference opponents.
 6. The tied team with the highest ranking by the Team Rating Score metric provided by SportSource Analytics following the conclusion of regular season games.
 7. The representative shall be chosen by a draw as administered by the Commissioner or Commissioner's designee.

*Note: Conference games against otherwise post-season ineligible teams will always be counted in the league standings and in application of the tie-breaker policies.

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NEED TO KNOW:

NO DIVISIONS

ALL 17 LEAGUE TEAMS
WILL PLAY EACH OTHER

AT LEAST TWICE IN 7 YEARS

68 CONFERENCE GAMES
EACH SEASON WITH
16 ANNUALLY PROTECTED MATCHUPS

TOP 2 TEAMS
* BY CONFERENCE WIN PERCENTAGE
1ST SATURDAY IN DECEMBER



WEEK 0

Saturday, Aug. 24

Aer Lingus College Football Classic - Dublin, Ireland
 #10 Florida State 21 vs. Georgia Tech 24 * noon ET, ESPN
 SMU 29 at Nevada 24 8 p.m. ET, CBSN

WEEK 1

Thursday, Aug. 29

Western Carolina 21 at #24 NC State 38 7 p.m. ET, ACCN
 NC A&T 13 at Wake Forest 45 7 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 North Carolina 19 at Minnesota 17 8 p.m. ET, FOX

Friday, Aug. 30

Elon 3 at Duke 26 7:30 p.m. ET, ACCN
 TCU 34 at Stanford 27 10:30 p.m. ET, ESPN

Saturday, Aug. 31

Aflac Kickoff Game - Atlanta, Ga.
 #14 Clemson 3 vs. #1 Georgia 34 noon ET, ABC
 Virginia Tech 27 at Vanderbilt 34 (OT) noon ET, ESPN
 Kent State 24 at Pitt 55 noon ET, ESPN
 Austin Peay 0 at Louisville 62 noon ET, ACCN
 #19 Miami 41 at Florida 17 3:30 p.m. ET, ABC
 Ohio 22 at Syracuse 38 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCN
 UC Davis 13 at California 31 5 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 Richmond 13 at Virginia 34 6 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 Georgia State 12 at Georgia Tech 35 8 p.m. ET, ACCN
 Houston Christian 7 at SMU 59 8 p.m. ET, ACCNX

Monday, Sept. 2

Boston College 28 at #10 Florida State 13* ..7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN

WEEK 2

Friday, Sept. 6

BYU at SMU 7 p.m. ET, ESPN2
 Duke at Northwestern 9 p.m. ET, FS1

Saturday, Sept. 7

Pitt at Cincinnati noon ET, ESPN2
 #23 Georgia Tech at Syracuse * noon ET, ACCN
 California at Auburn 3:30 p.m. ET, ESPN2
 Charlotte at North Carolina 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCN
 Duquesne at Boston College 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 Jacksonville State at #22 Louisville 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 Marshall at Virginia Tech 4:30 p.m. ET, The CW
 Florida A&M at #12 Miami 6 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 Virginia at Wake Forest * 7 p.m. ET, ESPN2
 Cal Poly at Stanford 7 p.m. ET, ACCNX
Duke's Mayo Classic - Charlotte, N.C.
 #24 NC State vs. #14 Tennessee 7:30 p.m. ET/ABC
 App State at #25 Clemson 8 p.m. ET, ACCN
 Open: Florida State

WEEK 3

Saturday, Sept. 14

Memphis at Florida State noon ET, ESPN
 Louisiana Tech at NC State noon ET, ACCN
 Boston College at Missouri 12:45 p.m. ET, SECN
 West Virginia at Pitt 3:30 p.m. ET, ESPN or ESPN2
 Ball State at Miami 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCN
 VMI at Georgia Tech 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 N.C. Central at North Carolina 6 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 UConn at Duke 6 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 Virginia Tech at Old Dominion 6 p.m. ET, ESPN+
 Ole Miss at Wake Forest 6:30 p.m. ET, The CW
 Maryland at Virginia 8 p.m. ET, ACCN
 San Diego State at California 10:30 p.m. ET, ESPN
 Open: Clemson, Louisville, SMU, Stanford, Syracuse

*denotes ACC game

WEEK 4

Friday, Sept. 20

Stanford at Syracuse * 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN

Saturday, Sept. 21

Youngstown State at Pitt 3:30 p.m. ET, ACCNX
 TCU at SMU 5 p.m. ET, The CW
 Duke at Middle Tennessee 7 p.m. ET, ESPN or ESPN2
 Michigan State at Boston College
 California at Florida State *
 NC State at Clemson *
 Georgia Tech at Louisville *
 Miami at South Florida
 James Madison at North Carolina
 Virginia at Coastal Carolina
 Rutgers at Virginia Tech
 Open: Wake Forest

WEEK 5

Friday, Sept. 27

Virginia Tech at Miami * 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN

Saturday, Sept. 28

Holy Cross at Syracuse noon ET, ACCNX
 Louisville at Notre Dame 3:30 p.m. ET, Peacock
 Western Kentucky at Boston College
 Stanford at Clemson *
 North Carolina at Duke *
 Florida State at SMU *
 Northern Illinois at NC State
 Louisiana at Wake Forest
 Open: California, Georgia Tech, Pitt, Virginia

WEEK 6

Friday, Oct. 4

Syracuse at UNLV 9 p.m. ET, FS1

Saturday, Oct. 5

Boston College at Virginia *
 Miami at California *
 Clemson at Florida State *
 Duke at Georgia Tech *
 SMU at Louisville *
 Pitt at North Carolina *
 Wake Forest at NC State *
 Virginia Tech at Stanford *

WEEK 7

Saturday, Oct. 12

Stanford at Notre Dame 3:30 p.m. ET, NBC
 California at Pitt *
 Clemson at Wake Forest *
 Georgia Tech at North Carolina *
 Louisville at Virginia *
 Syracuse at NC State *
 Open: Boston College, Duke, Florida State, Miami, SMU, Virginia Tech

WEEK 8

Thursday, Oct. 17

Boston College at Virginia Tech * 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN

Friday, Oct. 18

Florida State at Duke * 7 p.m. ET, ESPN2

Saturday, Oct. 19

Wake Forest at UConn noon ET, CBSN
 NC State at California *
 Virginia at Clemson *
 Miami at Louisville *
 SMU at Stanford *
 Notre Dame at Georgia Tech
 Open: North Carolina, Pitt, Syracuse

WEEK 9

Thursday, Oct. 24

Syracuse at Pitt * 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN

Friday, Oct. 25

Louisville at Boston College * 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN2

Saturday, Oct. 26

SMU at Duke *
 Florida State at Miami *
 Georgia Tech at Virginia Tech *
 North Carolina at Virginia *
 Wake Forest at Stanford *
 Oregon State at California
 Open: Clemson, NC State

WEEK 10

Saturday, Nov. 2

Louisville at Clemson *
 Duke at Miami *
 North Carolina at Florida State *
 Stanford at NC State *
 Pitt at SMU *
 Virginia Tech at Syracuse *
 Open: Boston College, Cal, Georgia Tech, Virginia, Wake Forest

WEEK 11

Friday, Nov. 8

California at Wake Forest * 8 p.m. ET, ACCN

Saturday, Nov. 9

Florida State at Notre Dame 7:30 p.m. ET, NBC
 Syracuse at Boston College *
 Clemson at Virginia Tech *
 Duke at NC State *
 Miami at Georgia Tech *
 Virginia at Pitt *
 Open: Louisville, North Carolina, SMU, Stanford

WEEK 12

Saturday, Nov. 16

Virginia at Notre Dame 3:30 p.m. ET, NBC
 Boston College at SMU *
 Syracuse at California *
 Clemson at Pitt *
 Louisville at Stanford *
 Wake Forest at North Carolina *
 Open: Duke, Florida State, Georgia Tech, Miami, NC State, Virginia Tech

WEEK 13

Thursday, Nov. 21

NC State at Georgia Tech * 7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN

Saturday, Nov. 23

North Carolina at Boston College *
 Stanford at Cal *
 Virginia Tech at Duke *
 Pitt at Louisville *
 Wake Forest at Miami *
 SMU at Virginia *
 UConn at Syracuse
 The Citadel at Clemson
 Charleston Southern at Florida State

WEEK 14

Friday, Nov. 29

Stanford at San José State 4 p.m. ET, CBS
 Georgia Tech at Georgia 7:30 p.m. ET, ABC

Saturday, Nov. 30

Pitt at Boston College *
 Cal at SMU *
 Duke at Wake Forest *
 Miami at Syracuse *
 NC State at North Carolina *
 Virginia at Virginia Tech *
 South Carolina at Clemson
 Florida at Florida State
 Louisville at Kentucky



Bowl Game	Matchup	Game Date	Time (ET) / Network
Union Home Mortgage Gasparilla Bowl	ACC vs. AAC or SEC	Friday, Dec. 20, 2024	3:30 p.m. / ESPN
Birmingham Bowl	ACC vs. SEC or AAC	Friday, Dec. 27, 2024	Noon or 3:30 p.m. / ESPN
Wasabi Fenway Bowl	ACC vs. AAC	Saturday, Dec. 28, 2024	11 a.m. / ESPN
Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl	ACC vs. Big Ten	Saturday, Dec. 28, 2024	Noon / ABC
Pop-Tarts Bowl	ACC vs. Big 12	Saturday, Dec. 28, 2024	3:30 p.m. / ABC
Military Bowl presented by GoBowling.com	ACC vs. AAC	Saturday, Dec. 28, 2024	5:45 p.m. / ESPN
Tony the Tiger Sun Bowl	ACC vs. Pac-12 *	Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2024	3 p.m. / ABC
TaxSlayer Gator Bowl	ACC vs. SEC	Thursday, Jan. 2, 2025	7:30 p.m. / ESPN
SERVPRO First Responder Bowl	ACC vs. SEC or AAC	Friday, Jan. 3, 2025	4 p.m. / ESPN
Duke's Mayo Bowl	ACC vs. Big Ten	Friday, Jan. 3, 2025	7:30 p.m. / ESPN
DIRECTV Holiday Bowl	ACC vs. Pac-12 *	TBD	TBD

* teams in the Pac-12 from 2020-23.

2024-25 College Football Playoff

Bowl Game	Bowl / Location	Game Date	Time (ET) / Network
CFP First Round	Home Field of the Higher Seed	Friday, Dec. 20, 2024	8 p.m. / ABC & ESPN
CFP First Round	Home Field of the Higher Seed	Saturday, Dec. 21, 2024	Noon / TNT
CFP First Round	Home Field of the Higher Seed	Saturday, Dec. 21, 2024	4 p.m. / TNT
CFP First Round	Home Field of the Higher Seed	Saturday, Dec. 21, 2024	8 p.m. / ABC & ESPN
CFP Quarterfinals	Vrbo Fiesta Bowl	Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2024	7:30 p.m. / ESPN
CFP Quarterfinals	Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl	Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2025	1 p.m. / ESPN
CFP Quarterfinals	Rose Bowl presented by Prudential	Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2025	5 p.m. / ESPN
CFP Quarterfinals	Allstate Sugar Bowl	Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2025	8:45 p.m. / ESPN
CFP Semifinals	Capital One Orange Bowl	Thursday, Jan. 9, 2025	7:30 p.m. / ESPN
CFP Semifinals	Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic	Friday, Jan. 10, 2025	7:30 p.m. / ESPN
CFP National Championship	Mercedes-Benz Stadium; Atlanta, Ga.	Monday, Jan. 20, 2025	7:30 p.m. / ESPN

• The 12-team format for the College Football Playoff will feature, in order, the top four conference champions, followed by some combination of the top six at-large bids and two highest-ranked remaining conference champions. Teams will be ordered based on the College Football Playoff rankings.

• The ACC and its bowl partners will make team selections based on several factors, including geographic proximity, avoiding repeat appearances and matchups, and regular-season won-loss records.

• Former Pac-12 teams, including Cal and Stanford, will be eligible for historical Pac-12 non-CFP bowl slots. If not selected by the CFP, Cal and Stanford will join all Pac-12 teams from 2020-2023 in populating the Alamo, Holiday, Las Vegas, Sun, L.A., Independence and ESPN Events bowl games.

ACC EXPANSION

- The ACC Board of Directors voted on September 1, 2023, to formally admit the University of California (Cal), Southern Methodist University (SMU) and Stanford University to the Atlantic Coast Conference. Cal, SMU and Stanford joined the ACC as full members with full voting participation effective July 1, 2024 (SMU) and August 2, 2024 (Stanford and Cal). The decision followed the submission of letters of application from all three institutions.

- The additions of Cal, SMU and Stanford enhance and strengthen the ACC academically, athletically and financially and create a true national conference that spans coast to coast. The incoming universities enrich the league's competitiveness in all sports and further demonstrate the ACC's commitment to broad-based programs for both women and men. More than 2,200 student-athletes from Cal, SMU and Stanford will join the nearly 10,000 current ACC student-athletes competing at the highest level of intercollegiate athletics.

- Cal, SMU and Stanford will begin competing in the ACC across their respective sponsored sports starting this year, 2024-25. No FBS conference offers more than the ACC with 15 women's sports and 28 total sponsored sports.

FOOTBALL SUCCESS

- The ACC has had a team in either the College Football Playoff or the BCS National Championship Game in eight of the last 11 years, as Florida State defeated Auburn 34-31 in the final BCS National Championship game in 2014.

- The ACC has had three different teams reach the College Football Playoff in Clemson (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020), Florida State (2014), and Notre Dame (2020), who played as a full member in 2020 during the pandemic season. The three different teams is tied for the most among all conferences.

- The ACC has the second-best record overall in the College Football Playoff by conference, as the league is 6-6 overall. The six wins are behind only the SEC (16).

- The ACC had 11 bowl-eligible teams in the 2023 season, the most among all Power 5 conferences. It marked the 23rd consecutive season in which the ACC earned at least six bowl bids. Not including the pandemic-affected 2020 season, the ACC has sent at least nine teams to a bowl each year since 2016. Since 2013, the ACC is second among all conferences with 111 postseason appearances counting this season.

- Led by unanimous first-team All-America linebacker Payton Wilson of NC State, the ACC placed 12 players – representing eight different schools – on NCAA-recognized 2023 All-America teams. Florida State led the league with four selections, while NC State had two. The NCAA recognizes the All-America teams selected by AP, FWAA, The Sporting News, AFCA and Walter Camp to determine consensus All-Americans.

- Among active head coaches, the ACC's Dabo Swinney (Clemson), Mike Norvell (Florida State) Mack Brown (North Carolina), Dave Doeren (NC State) and Jeff Brohm (Louisville) rank among the top 40 in the nation in career winning percentage. Swinney's .798 winning percentage ranks eighth in the nation. Brown is second among all active coaches with 282 victories, while Swinney is 10th with 170.

- Seven ACC players have finished in the top three of the Heisman Trophy voting in the last 11 years, including 2013 winner Jameis Winston of Florida State and 2016 winner Lamar Jackson of Louisville. Clemson's Trevor Lawrence finished second in 2020, while Pitt's Kenny Pickett was third in 2021.

ACC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME SUCCESS

- With Louisville making its first appearance in the championship game in 2023, 13 different ACC teams have played in the ACC Football Championship Game since its inception in 2005. Clemson leads all teams with nine appearances, followed by Virginia Tech (6) and Florida State (6).

- A total of six different schools have won an ACC Football Championship game since the inaugural title game in 2005. Clemson leads the way with eight wins, while Florida State follows with five championship game wins counting its victory in 2023. Virginia Tech has won the championship game three times, while Georgia Tech, Wake Forest, and Pitt have all won the title game once.

- The ACC Football Championship Game has sold out five times in Charlotte (2010, 2011, 2015, 2017, 2020).

- In April 2018, the ACC and the Charlotte Sports Foundation announced a 10-year agreement that keeps the ACC Football Championship Game in Charlotte through the 2030 season. The game will be played annually at Bank of America Stadium on the first Saturday in December.

ACC & THE NFL DRAFT

- Since the 2005 season, the ACC has had 707 players chosen in the NFL Draft, including 107 first-round picks, the second-highest total of any conference.

- Four ACC players were selected in the first round of the 2024 NFL Draft. North Carolina quarterback Drake Maye was the first ACC player selected, going No. 3 overall to the New England Patriots. Florida State defensive lineman Jared Verse was picked No. 19 overall by the Los Angeles Rams, Duke offensive lineman Graham Barton was taken No. 26 overall by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Clemson cornerback Nate Wiggins was selected No. 30 overall by the Baltimore Ravens.

- The ACC finished with 41 picks representing 11 different institutions in the 2024 NFL Draft. The 41 picks were the most in a single draft since the league had 42 players selected in 2021.

- The ACC has had 426 players selected since 2013 - the second-highest total among all conferences - and has had 40 or more players picked in six of the last 11 drafts.

- Current ACC teams have had a total of 16 players chosen as the first overall selection in the NFL Draft. The most recent was Clemson's Trevor Lawrence, who was tabbed first in 2021 by the Jacksonville Jaguars. New conference member Stanford (Bobby Garrett, 1954, Cleveland; Jim Plunkett, 1971, New England; John Elway, 1983, Baltimore Colts; and Andrew Luck, 2012, Indianapolis Colts) has had four No. 1 overall picks. Cal (Steve Bartkowski, 1975, Atlanta; and Jared Goff, 2016, Los Angeles Rams), Miami (Vinny Testaverde, 1987, Tampa Bay; and Russell Maryland, 1991, Dallas) and Virginia Tech (Bruce Smith, 1985, Buffalo; and Michael Vick, 2001, Atlanta) each have had two top selections while Clemson (Lawrence, 2021, Jaguars), Florida State (Jameis Winston, 2015, Tampa Bay), NC State (Mario Williams, 2006, Houston), SMU (Kyle Rote, 1951, New York Giants), Syracuse (Ernie Davis, 1962, Washington) and Virginia (Bill Dudley, 1942, Pittsburgh) each have had one. Also, NC State's Roman Gabriel, the No. 2 overall selection in the 1962 draft, was chosen No. 1 in the AFL Draft by the Oakland Raiders.



NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

• No conference has won more NCAA national championships in the last three academic years than the ACC. The ACC has won 23 NCAA team titles since the start of the 2021-22 season through the 2023-24 season.

• ACC has won seven or more national titles in each of the last three years, marking the best run in ACC history. In 2022-23, the ACC won the most NCAA championships of any conference with a league-record nine. In both 2021-22 and 2023-24, the ACC has won seven NCAA championships.

• The ACC won seven NCAA National Championships in 2023-24, all in ACC-sponsored sports, the second-most of all conferences. The seven NCAA titles were won by seven different schools - the first time in ACC history.

• The ACC brought home seven NCAA Championships in 2023-24 in Women's Cross Country (NC State), Field Hockey (North Carolina), Women's Soccer (Florida State), Men's Soccer (Clemson), Women's Swimming & Diving (Virginia), Women's Lacrosse (Boston College) and Men's Lacrosse (Notre Dame). ACC student-athletes also won 22 individual national titles in 2023-24.

• The ACC has won seven national championships in football, men's basketball, women's basketball and baseball since 2015. The ACC is the only conference to win each of those four titles over that stretch.

• Clemson (15-0) won the league's eighth football national championship in 2018 with a 44-16 win over previously unbeaten Alabama. The 28-point margin of victory was the largest over a No. 1 ranked team in ACC history.

ACC SUCCESS IN 2023-24

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• A total of 11 ACC programs finished the 2023-24 season ranked either No. 1 or No. 2 in their respective sports - NC State (Women's Cross Country), North Carolina (Field Hockey), Florida State (Women's Soccer), Clemson (Men's Soccer), Notre Dame (Men's Soccer), Virginia (Women's Swimming & Diving), Notre Dame (Women's Fencing), Notre Dame (Men's Lacrosse), Boston College (Women's Lacrosse), Wake Forest (Women's Golf) and Florida State (Men's Golf).

• Six ACC schools placed among the top 25 of the final 2023-24 Division I LEARNFIELD College Directors' Cup standings. Virginia led all ACC schools with a fifth-place finish and was joined by North Carolina among the top 10 in seventh place. Notre Dame (10th), Florida State (12th), Duke (17th) and NC State (21st) were also ranked in the top 25. The feat marked the 22nd consecutive year that four or more ACC schools placed among the top 30 in the final rankings.

• Over two-thirds of the ACC was bowl eligible, as 11 of the 14 teams made a bowl game. The 11 ACC bowl-eligible teams were the most among all Power 5 conferences and matched a conference-high from 2018.

• The ACC had a team in both the NCAA Men's and Women's Final Fours. The ACC also had three teams in the NCAA Men's Basketball Elite Eight and four teams in the NCAA Men's Basketball Sweet 16, both the most of all conferences.

• The ACC had four teams in the College World Series, which was tied for the most among all conferences. The conference had five teams in the NCAA Baseball Championship Super Regionals and five teams hosted a Regional in the NCAA Baseball Championship, both tied for the most among all conferences.

• The 2023-24 season also saw four ACC teams finish among the NCAA men's golf final eight at the 2024 NCAA Men's Golf Championship.

• The ACC had three Honda Award winners in 2023-24 – North Carolina's Ryleigh Heck (Field Hockey), Florida State's Onyi Echegini (Women's Soccer) and Virginia's Gretchen Walsh (Women's Swimming & Diving).

• The 2023-24 academic year saw 12 different league members win a conference title, led by North Carolina (6), NC State (5), Florida State (4), Duke (3), Notre Dame (3), and Virginia (2) winning multiple conference crowns.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

• A player from a current ACC school has won the William V. Campbell Trophy® five times, including three times in the last nine years. That is the most of any conference over that span. The award recognizes an individual as the absolute best football scholar-athlete in the nation for his combined academic success, football performance and exemplary leadership.

• Eight ACC Football teams earned a graduation success rate (GSR) at or above the FBS average based on the report released by the NCAA in December 2023.

• The ACC remains the only conference to have multiple teams register GSR scores of 90 or higher every year since 2005. Boston College (97), Clemson (99), Duke (93), Louisville (96), Pitt (94), Virginia (91) and Wake Forest (93) reached that plateau in this year's report.

• For the 17th consecutive year, the ACC led the way among FBS conferences in the "Best Colleges" rankings released by U.S. News & World Report on Sept. 18, 2023.

• ACC teams continued to excel academically, again evident from the annual Academic Progress Rate (APR) team data released by the NCAA in June 2024. Every team among the ACC's 28-sponsored sports exceeded the NCAA's required APR (930), while 96 ACC teams recorded a perfect score of 1000, including at least one from each of the 15-member institutions led by Notre Dame with 16 teams and Duke with 14 teams. The ACC's average of 991 was up two points from last year's 989, while football, men's basketball and women's basketball all increased as well.

ACC STUDENT-ATHLETE PROGRAMS & SERVICES

• The ACC's Committee for Racial and Social Justice (CORE - Champions of Racial Equity) continued its mission to promote and encourage inclusion, racial equity and social justice through education, partnerships, engagement and advocacy.

• Among CORE's accomplishments in 2023-24 were the third annual UNITE Award Class; the ACC's Fall, Winter and Spring UNITY Weeks (theme: "Civic Engagement"); mandatory staff education and the ACC Unity Tour in Charleston, South Carolina, in July 2024.

• The ACC conducted its third annual Health and Safety Summit in May, this time in Charlotte, North Carolina, bringing together athletic trainers, team physicians, dietitians, mental health practitioners, sports performance coaches, and others within the ACC's health and sports performance community to collaborate and to share best practices.

• The ACC continued to provide leadership development programming to ACC coaches through the "Coaching the Whole Athlete Academy". The Coaching Academy is an eight-week virtual and immersive development program established by the league office that equips coaches with information, tools, and skills of a humanistic approach to better support the needs of the student-athlete.

• The ACC organized the second ACC Career Trek in Charlotte, North Carolina, in May 2023. The trek included 30 student-athletes across the league meeting with representatives and listening to panel discussions from five different categories including sports, real estate, finance/banking, consulting and government.



C.O.R.E.

■ The ACC Committee for Racial and Social Justice (C.O.R.E.) was created in June 2020 to support the ACC's commitment to social justice and racial equity. Members of C.O.R.E. include conference office staff members and campus representatives from each of the league's now 18 institutions. C.O.R.E.'s mission is to promote and encourage racial equity through education, partnerships, engagement and advocacy.

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Quarterback

Aug. 26 Haynes King, Georgia Tech
 Sept. 3 Cam Ward, Miami
 Sept. 9
 Sept. 16
 Sept. 23
 Sept. 30
 Oct. 7
 Oct. 14
 Oct. 21
 Oct. 28
 Nov. 4
 Nov. 11
 Nov. 18
 Nov. 25
 Dec. 2

Running Back

Aug. 26 Jamal Haynes, Georgia Tech
 Sept. 3 Treshaun Ward, Boston College
 Sept. 9
 Sept. 16
 Sept. 23
 Sept. 30
 Oct. 7
 Oct. 14
 Oct. 21
 Oct. 28
 Nov. 4
 Nov. 11
 Nov. 18
 Nov. 25
 Dec. 2

Receiver

Aug. 26 RJ Maryland (TE), SMU
 Sept. 3 Kevin "KC" Concepcion (WR), NC State
 Sept. 9
 Sept. 16
 Sept. 23
 Sept. 30
 Oct. 7
 Oct. 14
 Oct. 21
 Oct. 28
 Nov. 4
 Nov. 11
 Nov. 18
 Nov. 25
 Dec. 2

Offensive Line

Aug. 26 Weston Franklin (C), Georgia Tech
 Sept. 3 Zach Carpenter (C), Miami
 Sept. 9
 Sept. 16
 Sept. 23
 Sept. 30
 Oct. 7
 Oct. 14
 Oct. 21
 Oct. 28
 Nov. 4
 Nov. 11
 Nov. 18
 Nov. 25
 Dec. 2

Defensive Line

Aug. 26 N/A
 Sept. 3 Jahvaree Ritzie (DL), North Carolina
 Sept. 9
 Sept. 16
 Sept. 23
 Sept. 30
 Oct. 7
 Oct. 14
 Oct. 21
 Oct. 28
 Nov. 4
 Nov. 11
 Nov. 18
 Nov. 25
 Dec. 2

Linebacker

Aug. 26 Kyle Efford, Georgia Tech
 Sept. 3 Marlowe Wax, Syracuse
 Sept. 9
 Sept. 16
 Sept. 23
 Sept. 30
 Oct. 7
 Oct. 14
 Oct. 21
 Oct. 28
 Nov. 4
 Nov. 11
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 Dec. 2

Defensive Back

Aug. 26 Shyheim Brown (S), FSU
 Sept. 3 Jaden Harris (S), Miami
 Sept. 9
 Sept. 16
 Sept. 23
 Sept. 30
 Oct. 7
 Oct. 14
 Oct. 21
 Oct. 28
 Nov. 4
 Nov. 11
 Nov. 18
 Nov. 25
 Dec. 2

Specialist

Aug. 26 Ryan Fitzgerald (K), Florida State
 Sept. 3 Noah Burnette (K), North Carolina
 Sept. 9
 Sept. 16
 Sept. 23
 Sept. 30
 Oct. 7
 Oct. 14
 Oct. 21
 Oct. 28
 Nov. 4
 Nov. 11
 Nov. 18
 Nov. 25
 Dec. 2

Rookie

Aug. 26 N/A
 Sept. 3 Eli Holstein (QB), Pitt
 Sept. 9
 Sept. 16
 Sept. 23
 Sept. 30
 Oct. 7
 Oct. 14
 Oct. 21
 Oct. 28
 Nov. 4
 Nov. 11
 Nov. 18
 Nov. 25
 Dec. 2

ACC IN THE RANKINGS - TOP 25 POLLS



AP/COACHES/CFP

	BC	CAL	CU	DU	FSU	GT	LOU	MIA	UNC	NCSU	PITT	SMU	STAN	SU	UVA	VT	WF
Preseason	-/-	-/-	14/14/-	-/-	10/10/-	-/-	RV/RV/-	19/19/-	-RV/-	24/22/-	-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-
Sept. 3	RV/RV/-	-/-	25/22/-	-/-	-/-	23/RV/-	22/24/-	12/15/-	RV/RV/-	24/23/-	-/-	RV/RV/-	-/-	-RV/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
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Oct. 13																	
Oct. 20																	
Oct. 27																	
Nov. 3																	
Nov. 10																	
Nov. 17																	
Nov. 24																	
Dec. 1																	
Dec. 8																	
Final																	

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF RANKINGS

School	N5	N12	N19	N26	D2	D9
All-time CFP Rankings	Appearances	Highest Rank (Date)				
Boston College	3	17 (Nov. 16, 2018)				
California	-	-				
Clemson	54	1, eight times (Dec. 3, 2017)				
Duke	3	21 (Nov. 11, 2014)				
Florida State	30	2, two times (Nov. 4, 2014)				
Georgia Tech	6	11 (Dec. 2, 2014)				
Louisville	18	5 (Nov. 15, 2016)				
Miami	11	2 (Nov. 21, 2017)				
North Carolina	19	10, two times (Dec. 6, 2015)				
NC State	24	14 (Nov. 6, 2018)				
Pitt	9	12 (Dec. 5, 2021)				
SMU	3	24 (Dec. 3, 2023)				
Stanford	15	6 (Dec. 6, 2015)				
Syracuse	7	12 (Nov. 13, 2018)				
Virginia	3	23 (Dec. 3, 2019)				
Virginia Tech	10	13 (Oct. 31, 2017)				
Wake Forest	8	9 (Nov. 2, 2021)				

ASSOCIATED PRESS (AP) RANKINGS

School	Pr	S3	S8	S15	S22	S29	O6	O13	O20	O27	N3	N10	N17	N24	D1	D8	F
Georgia	1	1															
Ohio State	2	2															
Texas	4	3															
Alabama	5	4															
Notre Dame	7	5															
Ole Miss	6	6															
Oregon	3	7															
Penn State	8	8															
Missouri	11	9															
Michigan	9	10															
Utah	12	11															
Miami	19	12															
USC	23	13															
Tennessee	15	14															
Oklahoma	16	15															
Oklahoma State	17	16															
Kansas State	18	17															
LSU	13	18															
Kansas	22	19															
Arizona	21	20															
Iowa	25	21															
Louisville	-	22															
Georgia Tech	-	23															
NC State	24	24															
Clemson	14	25															
Florida State	10	-															
Texas A&M	20	-															

ACC ASSOCIATED PRESS (AP) RANKING HISTORY

School	Consecutive			Weeks Ranked
	Polls	Top 10	No.1	
Boston College	-	34	1	144
California	-	92	4	200
Clemson	3	215	25	498
Duke	-	57	-	180
Florida State	-	385	72	584
Georgia Tech	1	146	-	307
Louisville	1	42	-	155
Miami	2	309	68	520
North Carolina	-	80	1	280
NC State	5	12	-	191
Pitt	-	125	21	314
SMU	-	73	2	183
Stanford	-	97	-	303
Syracuse	-	69	7	210
Virginia	-	21	3	174
Virginia Tech	-	95	-	311
Wake Forest	-	2	-	69



Friday, Sept. 6
BYU (1-0, 0-0 Big 12)
at [RV] SMU (2-0, 0-0 ACC)
7 p.m. ET; ESPN2
BYU leads series, 4-0
Last meeting: BYU, 24-23 (2022)

Head Coaches:

BYU: Kalani Sitake
 (62-41 in ninth season at BYU; 62-41 in ninth season overall)

SMU: Rhett Lashlee
 (20-9 in third season at SMU; 20-9 in third season overall)

Notes:

- SMU looks to move to a perfect 3-0 on the season while adding its first-ever win over BYU. The Cougars have won all four previous meetings including the 2022 New Mexico Bowl.
- Brashard Smith ran for 108 yards in the Mustangs' win over Houston Christian. Smith is one of six players in the ACC to crack the 100-yard mark this season.
- With the 59-7 win over HCU, SMU moves to 11-1 in its last 12 games. Nine consecutive home wins for SMU marks the fourth-longest home winning streak in program history.
- BYU got its season off to a hot start, winning 41-13 over Southern Illinois (FCS). The Cougars went 5-7 in 2023, including 2-7 in its first Big 12 season. BYU dropped its final five games of the season and six of the last seven.



Friday, Sept. 6
Duke (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
at Northwestern (1-0, 0-0 Big Ten)
9 p.m. ET; FS1
Duke leads series, 13-10
Last meeting: Duke, 38-14 (2023)

Head Coaches:

Duke: Manny Diaz
 (1-0 in first season at Duke; 22-15 in fourth season overall)

Northwestern: David Braun
 (9-5 in second season at NU; 9-5 in second season overall)

Notes:

- Duke defeated Elon, 26-3, to open the 2024 slate. The Blue Devils' defense was impressive throughout the win, logging 8.0 sacks and 16 tackles for loss.
- Duke's game-one offensive line starters of Fina, Kings, Craycraft, Pickett and Parker II have combined to make 72 career starts. The five have started 23 games at Duke.
- Wide receiver Jordan Moore has logged a catch in 27 consecutive games, which is tied for the 10th-longest active streak nationally and 10th-longest in Duke history.
- Duke has posted a 23-3 (.885) record in regular season non-conference games in the last 10+ seasons.
- The Blue Devils held the Phoenix scoreless for the first 59:46 of the season opener. Elon cracked the shutout with 14 seconds remaining on a 39-yard field goal.
- Northwestern started 2024 with a 13-6 win over Miami (Ohio) at home. The Wildcats ran for 150 yards to power the victory. Last season, Northwestern went 8-5 and capped the campaign with a win over Ohio in the Las Vegas Bowl.



Saturday, Sept. 7
Pitt (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
at Cincinnati (1-0, 0-0 Big 12)
Noon ET; ESPN2
Pitt leads series, 8-5
Last meeting: UC, 27-21 (2023)

Head Coaches:

Pitt: Pat Narduzzi
 (66-50 in 10th season at UP; 66-50 in 10th season overall)

Cincinnati: Scott Satterfield
 (4-9 in second season at UC; 81-57 in 12th season overall)

Notes:

- Pitt opened the season with a dominant 55-24 win over Kent State. The 55-point showing was Pitt's first time scoring 50+ since Nov. 6, 2021 at Duke.
- All three phases of the game contributed for Pitt, including a 78-yard punt return touchdown from Desmond Reid. Reid's 145 rushing yards are the highest single-game total throughout the ACC this season.
- During Pat Narduzzi's tenure, the Panthers are now 20-3 when holding an opponent under 250 yards of total offense.
- Cincinnati opened the 2024 season with a 38-20 victory over Towson. The Bearcats went 3-9 in 2023, including a 1-8 mark during their first season in the Big 12.
- Cincinnati head coach Scott Satterfield spent four seasons (2019-22) in the ACC as Louisville's head coach. The Cardinals went 25-24 under Satterfield.



Saturday, Sept. 7
No. 23 Georgia Tech (2-0, 1-0 ACC)
at Syracuse (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
Noon ET; ACC Network
Georgia Tech leads series, 4-1
Last meeting: GT, 31-22 (2023)

Head Coaches:

Georgia Tech: Brent Key
 (13-10 in second full season at GT; 13-10 in second full season overall)

Syracuse: Fran Brown
 (1-0 in first season at SU; 1-0 in first season overall)

Notes:

- Georgia Tech and Syracuse will meet for just the sixth time with the Yellow Jackets winning four of the five previous meetings.
- GT enters the week at No. 23 in the AP Poll - the first time being ranked since the Sept. 20, 2015 poll.
- Needing just 15 games, Haynes King became the 13th player in GT history to throw for 3,000 yards as a Yellow Jacket.
- Syracuse kicked off the Fran Brown era with a 38-22 home win over Ohio. The Orange kick off the season with four consecutive home games and won't hit the road until October.
- The Syracuse defense was impressive against the Bobcats, recording four sacks, 10 tackles for loss, one interception and a forced fumble. SU did not allow a passing touchdown in the opener.
- Ohio State transfer Kyle McCord threw for a career-high 354 yards and a career-best four touchdowns.
- Trebor Pena was one of two players in the ACC to score three touchdowns in week one. Pena caught two touchdown passes while adding a rushing score.



Saturday, Sept. 7
Cal (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
at [RV] Auburn (1-0, 0-0 SEC)
3:30 p.m. ET; ESPN2
Auburn leads series, 1-0
Last meeting: Auburn, 14-10 (2023)

Head Coaches:

Cal: Justin Wilcox
 (37-43 in eighth season at Cal; 37-43 in eighth season overall)

Auburn: Hugh Freeze
 (7-7 in second season at AU; 82-55 in 14th season overall)

Notes:

- Cal opened its ACC era with a 31-13 victory over UC Davis. The Golden Bears closed the game with 24 unanswered points.
- Cal was a perfect 4-for-4 in the red zone against UC Davis. The Golden Bears converted with three touchdowns and a 25-yard field goal.
- Despite converting on just two of 13 third down conversions, the Golden Bears went 3-for-4 on fourth down tries.
- Cal's defense has recorded three interceptions this season to lead the ACC.
- Auburn opened 2024 with a 73-3 victory over Alabama A&M - the 800th win in program history. The Tigers went 6-7 (3-5 SEC) last season, falling to Maryland in the Music City Bowl.



Saturday, Sept. 7
Duquesne (0-1, 0-0 NEC)
at [RV] Boston College (1-0, 1-0 ACC)
3:30 p.m. ET; ACCNX
First Meeting

Head Coaches:

Duquesne: Jerry Schmitt
 (120-84 in 20th season at DU; 148-105 in 25th season overall)

Boston College: Bill O'Brien
 (1-0 in first season at BC; 16-9 in three collegiate seasons overall)

Notes:

- Boston College's 28-13 win over No. 10 Florida State was the Eagles' first top-10 win since beating No. 9 USC in 2014. It was also BC's first season-opening win over a top-10 team since taking down No. 7 Texas in 1976.
- Boston College outgained Florida State 262-21 on the ground - a 241-yard advantage. Kye Robichaux, Treshawn Ward and Thomas Castellanos each ran for at least 70 yards.
- On top of his 73 rushing yards and a touchdown, Castellanos added 106 yards and two touchdowns through the air to lead the offensive attack.
- The Eagles dominated possession in the season opener, holding the ball for 39:09 throughout the game.
- Boston College recorded five sacks in the win over Florida State, matching the single-game high throughout the ACC this season.
- Duquesne will play three non-conference games against FBS opponents. The Dukes fell at Toledo, 49-10, to open the 2024 season and will travel to Youngstown State on Sept. 14. Duquesne went 7-5 in 2023 with losses at West Virginia and Coastal Carolina.



Saturday, Sept. 7
Jacksonville State (0-1, 0-0 CUSA)
at No. 22 Louisville (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
3:30 p.m. ET; ACCNX
First Meeting

Head Coaches:

Jacksonville State:Rich Rodriguez
 (18-7 in third season at JSU; 181-126-2 in 27th season overall)
Louisville:Jeff Brohm
 (11-4 in second season at UL; 77-48 in 11th season overall)

Notes:

- Louisville thrashed Austin Peay, 62-0, to open the season. The Cardinals are one of 10 teams nationally to score 60+ points in the first week of the season.
- Louisville leads the ACC in total offense after the opening week of the season. The Cardinals recorded 293 rushing yards and 278 passing yards (571 total) against Austin Peay.
- Louisville leads the country in blocked kicks and blocked punts.
- The Cardinals' quarterback trio of Shough, Harrison and Clarkson completed 27-of-34 (.794) pass attempts. Louisville now leads the country in completion percentage.
- The Gamecocks fell to Coastal Carolina, 55-27, to begin the 2024 campaign. Jacksonville State went 9-4 in 2023, its first as a FBS member, including an overtime win in the New Orleans Bowl.



Saturday, Sept. 7
Charlotte (0-1, 0-0 AAC)
at [RV] North Carolina (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
3:30 p.m. ET; ACCN
First Meeting

Head Coaches:

Charlotte:Biff Poggi
 (3-10 in second season at Charlotte; 3-10 in second season overall)
North Carolina: Mack Brown
 (108-73-1 in 16th season at UNC; 283-149-1 in 36th season overall)

Notes:

- North Carolina defeated Minnesota, 19-17, in Minneapolis to begin the 2023 season. The Tar Heels were the only team throughout the country to beat a Big Ten school in Week 1.
- During the win, the Tar Heels also lost QB Max Johnson for the season with a broken right leg. Conner Harrell replaced Johnson, going 2-for-4 on pass attempts for 34 yards. Harrell played in five games for UNC in 2023, making his first career start in the Duke's Mayo Bowl.
- Omarion Hampton recorded 30 carries for the Tar Heels in Week 1, rushing for 129 yards and an average of 4.3 yards per carry. Hampton also led UNC with five catches in the opener, logging 17 receiving yards.
- This will be the first-ever meeting between the in-state opponents. Charlotte began its tenure as an FBS school in 2015.
- Charlotte lost at home, 30-7, to James Madison to open the season. The 49ers went 3-9 (2-6 American) in 2023, highlighted by an overtime win at Tulsa.



Saturday, Sept. 7
Marshall (1-0, 0-0 SBC)
at Virginia Tech (0-1, 0-0 ACC)
4:30 p.m. ET; The CW
VT leads series, 11-3
Last meeting: Marshall, 24-17 (2023)

Head Coaches:

Marshall: Charles Huff
 (23-17 in fourth season at Marshall; 23-17 in fourth season overall)
Virginia Tech: Brent Pry
 (10-15 in third season at VT; 10-15 in third season overall)

Notes:

- Virginia Tech fell on the road in overtime, 34-27, to Vanderbilt to open 2024.
- The Hokies have scored in 371 consecutive games, ranking fourth nationally in both the all-time and active lists. The streak began on September 23, 1995, when the Hokies upended No. 17 Miami in Blacksburg.
- Marshall won the 2023 meeting between the two schools, snapping a nine-game VT winning streak that began in 1951.
- Kyron Drones went 22-for-33 on pass attempts, throwing for 322 yards and two touchdowns against the Commodores.
- Marshall blew past Stony Brook, 45-3, to begin the 2024 season. In 2023, the Herd went 6-7 (3-5 Sun Belt) with a trip to the Frisco Bowl.



Saturday, Sept. 7
Florida A&M (2-0, 0-0 SWAC)
at No. 12 Miami (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
6 p.m. ET; ACCNX
Miami leads series, 10-1
Last meeting: Miami, 70-3 (2016)

Head Coaches:

Florida A&M:James Colzie III
 (2-0 in first season at FAMU; 2-0 in first season overall)
Miami: Mario Christobal
 (13-13 in third season at UM; 75-73 in 14th season overall)

Notes:

- Miami put together one of the most impressive games throughout college football in Week 1, beating Florida 41-17 in Gainesville. The Canes snapped Florida's NCAA-record 33-game home opener winning streak.
- ACC Preseason Player of the Year, Cam Ward, dazzled in his Miami debut, completing 26-of-35 passes for 385 yards. Ward becomes the first Miami QB to throw for more than 300 yards in his first UM start since at least 1979.
- Miami climbs seven spots to No. 12 in the AP Poll. It is the highest that Miami has been ranked since the December 6, 2020 poll (No. 9).
- The Canes used 529 yards of total offense to down their in-state rivals. In addition to Ward's 385 passing yards, Miami totaled 144 rushing yards. Damien Martinez led the way with 65 yards on the ground.
- FAMU is off to a 2-0 start this season with wins over Norfolk State and South Carolina State. The Rattlers won the 2023 Celebration Bowl after a 12-1 season. FAMU is riding a 23-game winning streak versus non-FBS schools.



Saturday, Sept. 7
Virginia (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
at Wake Forest (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
7 p.m. ET; ESPN2
UVA leads series, 34-17
Last meeting: WF, 37-17 (2021)

Head Coaches:

Virginia: Tony Elliott
 (7-16 in third season at UVA; 7-16 in third season overall)
Wake Forest: Dave Clawson
 (64-61 in 11th season at WF; 154-141 in 25th season overall)

Notes:

- Wake Forest has won each of the last five meetings in the series. Saturday's contest will be the 52nd all-time between the Cavaliers and Demon Deacons with Virginia holding a 34-17 advantage in the series.
- The Demon Deacons rolled to a 45-13 victory over North Carolina A&T to begin the season. Demond Claiborne averaged 7.9 yards per carry for 135 total yards on the ground in the win.
- Virginia enters the week 1-0 after winning 34-13 over Richmond. Malachi Fields totaled 100 receiving yards on five catches to lead the Hoos offensively.
- WF punter Ivan Mora was named to the Ray Guy Award "Ray's 8" following his Week 1 performance.
- This will be the first ACC contest of the season for both teams. Virginia went 2-6 in league play last season while Wake Forest went 1-7.



Saturday, Sept. 7
Cal Poly (0-1, 0-0 Big Sky)
at Stanford (0-1, 0-0 ACC)
7 p.m. ET; ACCNX
First Meeting

Head Coaches:

Cal Poly: Paul Wulff
 (3-9 in second season at CP; 65-89 in 14th season overall)
Stanford: Troy Taylor
 (3-10 in second season at SU; 33-18 in fifth season overall)

Notes:

- Stanford dropped its season opener to TCU, 34-27. Following the non-conference meeting with Cal Poly, the Cardinal will play their first three ACC games in program history.
- Ashton Daniels completed 17 passes for 163 yards and a touchdown, while also adding a team-high 87 rushing yards in the opener.
- Gaethan Bernadel logged a team-high 10 tackles for Stanford in the opener - One of just six players throughout the ACC to record double-digit stops.
- Stanford leads the ACC in fumble recoveries with two following the first week of the season. The Cardinal are tied for fifth nationally in the category.
- Cal Poly fell 27-21 in its season opener to San Diego. The Mustangs went 3-8 (1-7 Big Sky) throughout 2023 with wins over San Diego, Lincoln and Northern Colorado.



Saturday, Sept. 7
No. 24 NC State (1-0, 0-0 ACC)
vs. No. 14 Tennessee (1-0, 0-0 SEC)
7:30 p.m. ET; ABC
Tennessee leads series, 2-1
Last meeting: UT, 35-21 (2012)

Head Coaches:

NC State: Dave Doeren
 (82-58 in 12th season at NCSU; 105-62 in 14th season overall)

Tennessee: Josh Heupel
 (28-12 in fourth season at UT; 56-20 in seventh season overall)

Notes:

- NC State and Tennessee have only met three times previously with the Volunteers winning twice. NC State's lone win came in 1911 - a 16-0 shutout in Raleigh.
- NC State is one of just five programs that has won eight or more games in each of the last four seasons.
- ACC Receiver of the Week Kevin "KC" Concepcion hauled in three touchdowns in NC State's opener. The sophomore has six multi-touchdown games and currently leads the ACC in scoring (18).
- Wolfpack QB Grayson McCall has thrown 91 career touchdowns with just 15 interceptions. He's also rushed for 18 scores
- Tennessee opened 2024 with a 69-3 win over Chattanooga. The Volunteers went 9-4 (4-4 SEC) in 2023, going 0-3 in the regular season vs. ranked opponents. However, the Vols beat No. 20 Iowa in the Citrus Bowl, 35-0.



Saturday, Sept. 7
[RV] App State (1-0, 0-0 Sun Belt)
at No. 25 Clemson (0-1, 0-0 ACC)
8 p.m. ET; ACC Network
Clemson leads series, 5-0
Last meeting: CU, 41-10 (2015)

Head Coaches:

App State:..... Shawn Clark
 (36-18 in fifth full season at App State; 36-18 in fifth full season overall)

Clemson: Dabo Swinney
 (170-44 in 17th season at Clemson; 170-44 in 17th season overall)

Notes:

- Saturday will be the home opener for the 25th-ranked Tigers, who will play seven contests in Death Valley this season. The Tigers have won their last 20 home openers.
- After falling to No. 1 Georgia, 34-3, in the season opener, Clemson dropped 11 spots to No. 25.
- The Tigers are 65-3 at Death Valley throughout the College Football Playoff era. Clemson has also won 20 consecutive night games at home.
- Clemson and App State have a history of winning. Since App State joined the FBS ranks in 2014, the Mountaineers are tied for sixth nationally with 96 wins. Clemson ranks second with 119 wins throughout the same stretch.
- Clemson boasts a perfect 5-0 record against the Mountaineers. The Tigers are also 12-0 all-time against teams from the Sun Belt.
- App State opened the season with a 38-10 victory over East Tennessee State. The Mountaineers went 9-5 (6-2 Sun Belt) in 2023, winning the Cure Bowl, 13-9, over Miami (Ohio).