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COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SELECTION COMMITTEE PREPARES FOR 2023-24 SEASON

The College Football Playoff (CFP) Selection Committee met this week in preparation for the upcoming season.

"It is always good to get our group together before the season starts to review our procedures in detail," said Boo Corrigan, Athletics Director at NC State, who will be returning for his second year as committee chair. "The work of the College Football Playoff selection committee is directed by solid processes and protocols, and the committee members are looking forward to the season as we enter the 10th year of the College Football Playoff."

The selection committee reviewed the schedule for its weekly ranking announcements, went over its protocol and finalized its list of members who will be recused from voting or discussions regarding selected teams.

The selection committee will announce its first of six rankings October 31. The committee members will convene in person on Mondays and Tuesdays, revealing their rankings each week on ESPN.

The final selection committee rankings of the 2023 season will be released on selection day, Sunday, December 3. The committee will also announce the matchups for the Playoff Semifinals at the Rose Bowl and Allstate Sugar Bowl, as well as the Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic, Vrbo Fiesta Bowl and Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl pairings.

Below is a complete schedule for the selection committee to announce its rankings on ESPN:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Tuesday, October 31 | 7 - 8 p.m. ET |
| Tuesday, November 7 | 7 - 8 p.m. ET |
| Tuesday, November 14 | 9 - 9:30 p.m. ET* |
| Tuesday, November 21 | 7 - 8 p.m. ET |
| Tuesday, November 28 | 7 - 7:30 p.m. ET |
| Sunday, December 3 (selection day) | Noon - 4 p.m. ET |

**Approximate start time will be 9 p.m. ET live between games during the State Farm Champions Classic college basketball doubleheader at the United Center in Chicago, IL.*

The selection committee recusal policy remains consistent with the first nine years of the CFP, stating that:

"If a committee member or an immediate family member, e.g., spouse, sibling or child, (a) is compensated by a school, (b) provides professional services for a school, or (c) is on the coaching staff or administrative staff at a school or is a football student-athlete at a school, that member will be recused. Such compensation shall include not only direct employment, but also current paid consulting arrangements, deferred compensation (e.g., contract payments continuing after employment has ended, or other benefits. The committee will have the option to add other recusals if special circumstances arise.

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"A recused member shall not participate in any votes involving the team from which the individual is recused. A recused member is permitted to answer only factual questions about the institution from which the member is recused but shall not be present during any deliberations regarding that team's selection or ranking. Recused members shall not participate in discussions regarding the placement of the recused team into a bowl game."

Recusals for the 2023-24 football season are as follows:

| <u>School</u> | <u>Selection Committee Member</u> |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Houston | Chet Gladchuk |
| Kansas State | Gene Taylor |
| Kentucky | Mitch Barnhart |
| Marshall | Jim Grobe |
| Miami (OH) | David Saylor |
| Michigan | Warde Manuel |
| Navy | Chet Gladchuk |
| NC State | Boo Corrigan |
| Nevada | Chris Ault |
| Notre Dame | Boo Corrigan and Rod West |
| Rutgers | Kelly Whiteside |
| Washington | Jennifer Cohen |

The CFP selection committee is responsible for selecting the top four teams in the playoff and assigning them to semifinal games, as well as ranking the other top 25 teams. The committee meets in-person beginning late in the football season and produces a ranking of the top 25 teams each week leading up to its final selections. The selection committee members are **Chris Ault** (former head coach and athletics director, University of Nevada), **Mitch Barnhart** (athletics director, University of Kentucky), **Jennifer Cohen** (athletics director, University of Washington), **Boo Corrigan** (chair) (athletics director, North Carolina State University), **Chet Gladchuk** (athletics director, U.S. Naval Academy), **Jim Grobe** (former head coach, Ohio University, Wake Forest and Baylor), **Warde Manuel** (athletics director, University of Michigan), **David Saylor** (athletics director, Miami University, OH), **Will Shields** (former All-American offensive lineman, University of Nebraska), **Gene Taylor** (athletics director, Kansas State University), **Joe Taylor** (Vice President for Athletics and Community Wellness, Virginia Union University), **Rod West** (group president Entergy Corporation and former linebacker at the University of Notre Dame), **Kelly Whiteside** (associate professor in Sports Media and Journalism, Montclair State University; longtime sportswriter, USA Today, Sports Illustrated and Newsday).

For additional information on the selection committee and its weekly rankings, and to view the selection committee protocol in its entirety, please visit CollegeFootballPlayoff.com.

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About the College Football Playoff

The College Football Playoff matches the No. 1 ranked team vs. No. 4, and No. 2 vs. No. 3 in semifinal games that rotate annually among six bowl games – the Goodyear Cotton Bowl, Vrbo Fiesta Bowl, Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl, Capital One Orange Bowl, Allstate Sugar Bowl and Rose Bowl Game. This season's Playoff Semifinals will take place Monday, January 1, 2024, at the Allstate Sugar Bowl and Rose Bowl Game. Houston will host the College Football Playoff National Championship on Monday, January 8, 2024, at NRG Stadium.

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