2026 NCAA® DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

FIRST ROUND MARCH 20-21 | SECOND ROUND MARCH 22-23 | SWEET 16® MARCH 27-28 | ELITE 8® MARCH 29-30 | NATIONAL SEMIFINALS APRIL 3

FIRST FOUR® — MARCH 18-19

COLUMBIA	Southern U. (19-13) vs Samford (16-18)	3/19, 7 p.m. ESPN2
AUSTIN	Missouri St. (22-12) vs SFA (25-9)	3/18, 9 p.m. ESPN2
IOWA CITY	Virginia (19-11) vs Arizona St. (24-10)	3/19, 9 p.m. ESPN2
DURHAM	Nebraska (18-12) vs Richmond (26-7)	3/18, 7 p.m. ESPN2

STORRS

- 1 UConn (34-0) — 3/21, 3 p.m. ABC — 16 UTSA (18-15)
- 8 Iowa St. (22-9) — 3/21, 5:30 p.m. ESPN2 — 9 Syracuse (23-8)

3/23

CHAPEL HILL

- 5 Maryland (23-8) — 3/20, 3 p.m. ESPNU — 12 Murray St. (31-3)
- 4 North Carolina (26-7) — 3/20, 5:30 p.m. ESPNews — 13 Western Ill. (26-5)

3/22

March 27

COLUMBUS

- 6 Notre Dame (22-10) — 3/21, 2 p.m. ESPN — 11 Fairfield (28-4)
- 3 Ohio St. (26-7) — 3/21, 11:30 a.m. ESPN2 — 14 Howard (26-7)

3/23

NASHVILLE

- 7 Illinois (21-11) — 3/21, 9:30 p.m. ESPN2 — 10 Colorado (22-11)
- 2 Vanderbilt (27-4) — 3/21, 7 p.m. ESPNews — 15 High Point (27-5)

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March 27

March 29

Fort Worth 1

COLUMBIA

- 1 South Carolina (31-3) — 3/21, 1 p.m. ABC — 16 Southern U./Samford
- 8 Clemson (21-11) — 3/21, 3:30 p.m. ESPN2 — 9 Southern California (17-13)

3/23

NORMAN

- 5 Michigan St. (22-8) — 3/20, 7:30 p.m. ESPNews — 12 Colorado St. (27-7)
- 4 Oklahoma (24-7) — 3/20, 10 p.m. ESPN — 13 Idaho (29-5)

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March 28

FORT WORTH

- 6 Washington (21-10) — 3/20, 2:30 p.m. ESPNews — 11 South Dakota St. (27-6)
- 3 TCU (29-5) — 3/20, 12 p.m. ESPN — 14 UC San Diego (24-8)

3/22

IOWA CITY

- 7 Georgia (22-9) — 3/21, 1:30 p.m. ESPN2 — 10 Virginia/Arizona St.
- 2 Iowa (26-6) — 3/21, 4 p.m. ESPN — 15 FDU (30-4)

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March 28

March 30

Sacramento 4

APRIL 5

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ALL TIMES EASTERN

LOS ANGELES

- UCLA (31-1) 1 — 3/21, 10 p.m. ESPN — California Baptist (23-10) 16
- Oklahoma St. (23-9) 8 — 3/21, 7:30 p.m. ESPN2 — Princeton (26-3) 9

3/23

MINNEAPOLIS

- Ole Miss (23-11) 5 — 3/20, 3:30 p.m. ESPN2 — Gonzaga (24-9) 12
- Minnesota (22-8) 4 — 3/20, 6 p.m. ESPNU — Green Bay (25-8) 13

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March 27

DURHAM

- Baylor (24-8) 6 — 3/20, 2 p.m. ESPN — Nebraska/Richmond 11
- Duke (24-8) 3 — 3/20, 11:30 a.m. ESPN2 — Col. of Charleston (27-5) 14

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BATON ROUGE

- Texas Tech (25-7) 7 — 3/20, 8:30 p.m. ESPNU — Villanova (25-7) 10
- LSU (27-5) 2 — 3/20, 6 p.m. ESPN — Jacksonville (24-8) 15

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March 27

March 29

Sacramento 2

AUSTIN

- Texas (31-3) 1 — 3/20, 4 p.m. ESPN — Missouri St./SFA 16
- Oregon (22-12) 8 — 3/20, 1:30 p.m. ESPN2 — Virginia Tech (23-9) 9

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MORGANTOWN

- Kentucky (23-10) 5 — 3/21, 2:30 p.m. ESPNU — James Madison (26-8) 12
- West Virginia (27-6) 4 — 3/21, 5 p.m. ESPNU — Miami (OH) (28-6) 13

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March 28

LOUISVILLE

- Alabama (23-10) 6 — 3/21, 2:30 p.m. ESPNews — Rhode Island (28-4) 11
- Louisville (27-7) 3 — 3/21, 12 p.m. ESPN — Vermont (27-7) 14

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ANN ARBOR

- NC State (20-10) 7 — 3/20, 8 p.m. ESPN — Tennessee (16-13) 10
- Michigan (25-6) 2 — 3/20, 5:30 p.m. ESPN2 — Holy Cross (23-9) 15

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March 28

March 30

Fort Worth 3

Complete bracket release during the NCAA Women's Basketball Selection Show Special on ESPN (March 15 at 8 p.m. ET).
March 18-19: First Four (host institution sites announced on the Selection Show).
March 20-21/22-23: First/Second Rounds (host institution sites announced on the Selection Show).
March 27-30 Regional Sites: Fort Worth and Sacramento.

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