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INGREDIENTS:

- 1 1/2 cups cold whole milk
- 1-3.4 ounce instant vanilla pudding and pie filling
- 1-4 ounce carton nonfat cherry yogurt
- 1-8 ounce frozen Cool-Whip original, thawed

DIRECTIONS:
In a medium size bowl, whisk milk and pudding mix, mix well, let stand for 3 minutes. Add yogurt, mix well. Fold in Cool-Whip, refrigerate 2 hours. Yields - 4 cups. Good with good strawberries, Granny Smith apples and bananas.



This week's recipe submitted by Margaret Farley, Muscle Shoals, AL



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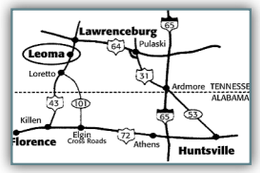


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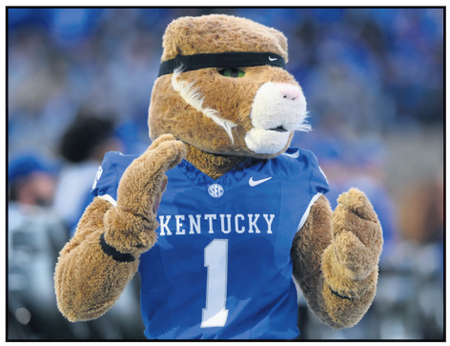
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The Kentucky Wildcats will try to make up for an odds gap against Oklahoma on Saturday. [TANNER PEARSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

THE LINE

(as of Monday)

Thursday

FAVORITE	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
East Carolina	4½	47½	at UAB
Georgia Southern	3½	47½	at OLD DOMINION
at TEXAS STATE	14	71½	Colorado State

Friday

Memphis	7	53½	at TULANE
Appalachian State	1½	50½	at CSTL CAROLINA
at PURDUE	3½	52½	Washington

Saturday

Ohio State	3½	51½	at INDIANA
Pittsburgh	6½	43½	at BOSTON COLLEGE
Northwestern	7½	49½	at MICHIGAN STATE
at ARMY	2½	55½	Florida Atlantic
at KANSAS STATE	4½	55½	Kansas
at WEST VIRGINIA	1½	63½	Cincinnati
at JAMES MADISON	12	58½	Georgia State
at BOWLING GREEN	6½	45½	Ball State
at LSU	13½	58½	Mississippi State
at SMU	8½	52½	Virginia
at TEXAS	10½	52½	Florida
at MARYLAND	6	57½	Rutgers
at BUFFALO	6½	41½	UMass
Western Michigan	6½	43	at C. MICHIGAN
at DUKE	3	47½	North Carolina
at TEXAS TECH	14½	48½	Arizona State
at VIRGINIA TECH	10	56½	Georgia Tech
at GEORGIA	20½	49½	Auburn
Toledo	6½	53½	at EASTERN MICH.
at MICHIGAN	6½	42½	Penn State
at OLE MISS	6	59½	Missouri
Alabama	8½	51½	at TENNESSEE
at MIAMI (Ohio)	9½	47	Akron
at WYOMING	7½	40½	Northern Illinois
at AIR FORCE	1	47½	UNLV
Tulsa	4½	46½	at RICE
at LA.-LAFAYETTE	4½	49½	Troy
at OREGON STATE	17½	52½	Washington State
at N. DAKOTA STATE	14½	44½	Nevada
at MIAMI (Fla.)	21	55½	Florida State
at VANDERBILT	6	50½	Arkansas
at BAYLOR	5½	48½	TCU
Arkansas State	7	62½	at SOUTHERN MISS
at UCLA	2½	44½	Wisconsin
Louisville	14½	56½	at SYRACUSE
at HOUSTON	4½	61½	Oklahoma St.
Notre Dame	10	47½	at BYU
at OKLAHOMA	7	43½	Kentucky
at UTSA	6½	56½	Navy
Louisiana Tech	14½	56½	at LA.-MONROE
San Jose State	7½	47½	at UTEP
Ohio	14½	49	at SAC STATE
Utah	15½	49½	at COLORADO
Fresno State	7½	46½	at SAN DIEGO ST.
Wake Forest	9½	53½	at CAL
New Mexico	14	45½	at HAWAII
at OREGON	7½	52½	Nebraska

GAMES ON TV

Thursday

East Carolina at UAB, 6:30 p.m., ESPN
Georgia Southern at Old Dominion, 6:30 p.m., ESPN2
Colorado State at as State, 7 p.m., CBSSN

Friday

Columbia at Penn, 6 p.m., ESPNU
Memphis at Tulane, 6:30 p.m., ESPN
App State at Coastal Carolina, 7 p.m., ESPN2
Washington at Purdue, 7 p.m., FOX
Nebraska at Oregon, 10 p.m., FOX

Saturday

Charleston Southern at Clemson, 11 a.m., ACCN
Cincinnati at West Virginia, 11 a.m., TNT
Florida at Texas, 11 a.m., ABC
Florida Atlantic at Army, 11 a.m., CBSSN
Georgia State at James Madison, 11 a.m., ESPNU
Kansas at Kansas State, 11 a.m., FS1
Mississippi State at LSU, 11 a.m., ESPN
Ohio State at Indiana, 11 a.m., FOX
Pittsburgh at Boston College, 11 a.m., ESPN2
Virginia at SMU, 11 a.m., CW
Rutgers at Maryland, 11:30 a.m., BTN
Alabama at Tennessee, 2:30 p.m., ABC
Arizona State at Texas Tech, 2:30 p.m., FOX
Auburn at Georgia, 2:30 p.m., ESPN
Georgia Tech at Virginia Tech, 2:30 p.m., ACCN
Missouri at Ole Miss, 2:30 p.m., SECN
North Carolina at Duke, 2:30 p.m., ESPN2
Northern Illinois at Wyoming, 2:30 p.m., CW
UNLV at Air Force, 2:30 p.m., CBSSN
Illinois State at Southern Illinois, 3 p.m., ESPNU
Washington State at Oregon State, 5 p.m., USA



Case Caldwell will have to take his show on the road this week to show his support for the Oklahoma State Cowboys. [MITCH ALCALA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Arkansas at Vanderbilt, 6 p.m., ESPN2
Florida State at 3 Miami, 6 p.m., ESPN
Nevada at North Dakota State, 6 p.m., CBSSN
TCU at Baylor, 6 p.m., FS1
Kentucky at Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m., SECN
Oklahoma State at Houston, 6:30 p.m., FOX
Louisville at Syracuse, 6:30 p.m., ACCN
Notre Dame at BYU, 6:30 p.m., ABC
Wisconsin at UCLA, 6:30 p.m., NBC
Navy at UTSA, 7 p.m., ESPNU
Utah at Colorado, 9:15 p.m., ESPN
Fresno State at San Diego State, 9:30 p.m., CBSSN
New Mexico at Hawai'i, 9:30 p.m., FS1

TOP 25 SCHEDULE

Saturday

No. 1 Georgia (6-0) vs. Auburn (3-2), 2:30 p.m.
No. 2 Notre Dame (6-0) at No. 8 BYU (5-0), 6:30 p.m.
No. 3 Miami (5-0) vs. Florida St. (3-3), 6 p.m.
No. 4 Ohio St. (5-1) at No. 5 Indiana (6-0), 11 a.m.
No. 6 Alabama (5-1) at No. 14 Tennessee (5-1), 2:30 p.m.
No. 7 Texas (4-1) vs. Florida (4-2), 11 a.m.
No. 9 Mississippi (4-1) vs. No. 13 Missouri (5-1), 2:30 p.m.
No. 10 Texas Tech (5-0) vs. Arizona St. (3-2), 2:30 p.m.
No. 11 Utah (5-0) at Colorado (2-3), 9:15 p.m.
No. 12 UCLA (5-0) vs. Wisconsin (4-1), 6:30 p.m.
No. 15 Kentucky (5-1) at Oklahoma (3-2), 6:30 p.m.
No. 16 Mississippi St. (4-1) at No. 22 LSU (4-2), 11 a.m.
No. 18 Oklahoma St. (4-1) at No. 20 Houston (5-1), 6:30 p.m.
No. 21 Wake Forest (5-1) at California (3-3), 9:30 p.m.
No. 24 SMU (4-1) vs. Virginia (4-2), 11 a.m.
No. 25 Northwestern (4-1) at Michigan St. (2-4), 11 a.m.

COLUMN

Tide-Vols leads another brutal SEC week

By Doug Segrest
For GameDay



Tennessee and Alabama will don clashing colors Saturday with both teams wearing their traditional home jerseys. The teams last made such fashion arrangements in 1970. [UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE ATHLETICS]

For the first time since the Age of Aquarius, Alabama and Tennessee are going old school Saturday: crimson jerseys vs. orange jerseys inside Neyland Stadium.

For those who miss the good ol' days, that adds another layer of intrigue to the SEC's premier old-school rivalry.

But it's just one of a handful of marquee games this week in the SEC.

Just don't expect gigantic TV ratings.

Because inside the SEC, it's just another week in The Gauntlet.

Elsewhere, six Top 25 teams break from the monotony of underwhelming schedules for massive showdowns.

Fox's "Big Noon Kickoff" features No. 4 Ohio State at defending national champion and fifth-ranked Indiana. That matchup will dominate the early viewing window.

That night, No. 2 Notre Dame faces No. 8 BYU in ABC's prime-time window. It's the biggest stage for the Fighting Irish until their November matchup with Miami and features fan bases of alumni spread across the country.

But that game won't dominate the ratings like Ohio State-Indiana. Opposite it on Fox is another Top 25 prime-time matchup: No. 18 Oklahoma State at No. 20 Houston.

That's a total of six ranked-vs.-ranked matchups this week: three in the SEC and three outside the SEC.

Expect the number of Top 25 showdowns to decrease going forward because of the grind of The Gauntlet.

The interest never wanes. It's just that this week, The Gauntlet is packed into the afternoon windows to make room for the rest of college football.

Best games this week

Alabama at Tennessee (2:30 p.m., ABC): Tennessee has become a one-trick pony, with running back DeSean Bishop carrying the load. The Vols have an identity problem, playing up against Texas and down against Arkansas. But after watching Georgia rumble through Alabama's defense, Tennessee believes it has a legitimate shot. TV rating: 5 stars.

Florida at Texas (11 a.m., ABC): Florida's stock has tumbled, and now the Gators are trying to avoid a third straight loss. All eyes will be on Texas quarterback Arch Manning, but it's the defense that keeps the Longhorns in the CFP hunt. TV rating: 4 stars.

Mississippi State at LSU (11 a.m., ESPN): If not for Will Stein, Mississippi State's Jeff Lebby would be the runaway SEC coach of the year. The Bulldogs have never fared well in Baton Rouge, but LSU is playing for its postseason life. Will that be the difference-maker, or will it lead to another upset? TV rating: 4 stars.

Auburn at Georgia (2:30 p.m., ESPN): Just two touchdowns. That's all we're asking for. Alas, Auburn hasn't scored two touchdowns in a game Between the Hedges since 2009. Yet, after a week off, the Tigers have a chance to turn the season around against a Georgia team coming off an emotional victory. TV rating: 4 stars.

Missouri at Ole Miss (2:30 p.m., SEC Network): The Tigers have pulled off two straight upsets. But in the season of The Gauntlet, it's hard to sustain momentum for three consecutive weeks, especially on the road against a Rebels team trying to preserve its status as a playoff heavyweight. TV rating: 4 stars.

Kentucky at Oklahoma (6:30 p.m., SEC Network): This is where coaches, and sports psychologists, earn their keep. Kentucky has won four straight, including victories over two Top 10 opponents. Meanwhile, Oklahoma may still be celebrating its stunning victory in Dallas. TV rating: 4 stars.

Arkansas at Vanderbilt (6 p.m., ESPN2): This one's for bragging rights and a chance to stay out of the cellar. Arkansas played Tennessee tough. Vanderbilt is still searching for some of the Diego Pavia magic that fueled last season's run. TV rating: 2 stars.

Doug Segrest, who covered college football for 28 years for numerous newspapers in Alabama and Tennessee, is a freelance columnist.



Washington quarterback Demond Williams Jr. didn't return after a first-half injury against Purdue last week. [LINDSEY WASSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Huskies likely without starting quarterback

By Josh Kirshenbaum
The Associated Press

SEATTLE — Washington quarterback Demond Williams Jr. seems unlikely to return this week from a rib injury he suffered during the Huskies' loss to Iowa.

"I'm not under the impression that I think he'll be playing this week based upon where he's at physically," head coach Jedd Fisch said Monday. "But I don't want to predict the medical future; we still have four days before we'll have to make that decision."

Fisch officially described Williams' status as day to day but said that he didn't practice Monday while Elijah Brown took all the reps with the starting offense. The Huskies (3-3, 0-3 Big Ten) are set to fly to Indiana on Thursday for their game Friday night against Purdue (3-3, 2-1).

"There would have to be a pretty significant change for anything to change," Fisch said of Williams' likelihood to play.

Williams took a hit while diving for extra yards with two minutes to go in the first half of the 41-24 loss Friday to the Hawkeyes. As Washington's field goal team came onto the field on fourth down, Williams went into the medical tent before heading to the locker room. Brown led the Huskies the rest of the way.

In six drives before exiting, Williams completed six of 11 passes for 69 yards and was sacked four times.

It's been an up-and-down year for the third-year starter, which began with Williams briefly entering the transfer portal in January before announcing his return to Washington two days later. Through six games in 2026, Williams' 145.7 passer rating ranks 10th in the Big Ten.

Brown, a transfer from Stanford, saw his first extended action with the Huskies and finished his night 28-for-39 for 251 yards and three touchdowns. Washington also went six of 10 on third down with Brown behind center.

"He did a great job of getting the ball out of his hands," Fisch said. "He found a primary read most, if not all of the time."

Williams has almost 1,400 yards passing this season with eight touchdowns this season. The 20-year-old was honorable mention All-Big Ten last year after throwing for over 3,000 yards with 25 touchdowns to lead the Huskies to a 9-4 record.

He was in the middle of offseason controversy when he said he planned to enter the transfer portal. It came just days after he signed a $4 million NIL agreement with Washington. After legal action was threatened, Williams decided to return to the Huskies.

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ALABAMA CRIMSON TIDE VERSION

Alabama at Tennessee

When: 2:30 p.m. Saturday
Records: No. 6 Alabama (5-1, 3-1 SEC), No. 14 Tennessee (5-1, 2-1)
TV/radio: ABC/FM-93.9, FM 97.7, AM-920
The series: Alabama leads 61-39-8.



Alabama tight end Kaleb Edwards and receiver Rico Scott could be keys if the Crimson Tide finds victory at Tennessee. [VASHA HUNT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Four-down territory

1. Banged up: The Crimson Tide will be without leading receiver Ryan Coleman-Williams this weekend. The junior was banged up entering last week's game with Georgia and also sustained a head injury during the game. He did return to the game, but head coach Kalen DeBoer wasn't optimistic about Coleman-Williams' availability for Tennessee. "Ryan's got a couple things going on," DeBoer said. He worked through an injury with his knee that's been kind of going on, so we'll deal with that. He's got the head issue as well. We're going to address that, even the lower extremity there this week. Pretty good chance we wouldn't have him here this weekend. I think it'll probably go week-to-week after that."

2. Third-and-trouble: Georgia exploited Alabama on third down, converting 7 of 13 opportunities. The failure to put pressure on quarterback Gunner Stockton didn't help as he completed 9 of 10 passes on third down. Georgia strung together a few scoring drives because of it. Third down wasn't an issue coming into the game — Alabama allowed 19 of 69 third-down conversions (27%). Tennessee is 35% on third-down conversions, going 28-of-78. However, the Vols had issues the past two games. They were just 4-of-13 against Arkansas and 3-of-14 against Auburn. Part of that could be the issues at quarterback. Either way, Alabama has to fix its third-down issues.

3. Knoxville blues: The previous two games in Knoxville have not worked out in Alabama's favor. Tennessee snapped a 15-game losing streak to the Tide and a seven-game losing streak in Knoxville with a last-second 52-49 win in 2022. The Vols made it two straight in Knoxville in 2024. Alabama won the two previous meetings in Tuscaloosa. Alabama is favored to win, but the Crimson Tide was also favored to win the last two games played in Knoxville and lost. "We have to put together a great game plan and go execute it," DeBoer said. "We are going into a hostile environment and (Tennessee head coach Josh Heupel) has done a great job this season with putting together a team that plays at a high level."

4. Brace for impact: The Tide run defense took a step back last week with Georgia gaining 206 yards, including five plays of 17 yards or more. Teams were averaging under 100 yards per game before the Bulldogs' big night. Alabama is tasked with stopping the Vols' DeSean Bishop, second in the SEC in rushing with 678 yards and eight touchdowns. He's found his stride the past two games, going for 220 yards against Auburn and 138 against Arkansas. Bishop rushed for 123 yards last year against Alabama with an explosive 44-yard touchdown run. "It's going to be critical," Alabama defensive coordinator Kane Wommack said of limiting Tennessee's run game. "They are committed to running the football and finding explosive plays off running the football."

Key matchup

Alabama TE Kaleb Edwards vs. Tennessee TE DaSaahn Brame

Both teams love to use multiple tight ends as weapons. Edwards is a big part of run-blocking but is the fourth leading receiver for Alabama with 140 yards and a touchdown. Brame can also step up big for the Vols. He is the fourth leading receiver with 130 yards, 87 of which came last week.

Player of the week

WR Rico Scott

With the most-certain loss of Ryan Coleman-Williams, Scott will have to step up to be the No. 2 receiver behind Lotzeir Brooks. Scott has put up solid numbers as the third leading receiver with 224 yards and three touchdowns.

By the numbers

5: Alabama is 5-for-5 on fourth down conversions, which is best in the nation.

27: The Crimson Tide has scored on all 27 of its red zone trips (17 rushing, six passing and four field goals).

62: Alabama is outscoring opponents 62-19 in the fourth quarter.

2007: The last time Alabama had back-to-back losses in the regular season was in 2007.

Prediction

Alabama 24, Tennessee 17

Alabama used to walk out of Neyland Stadium with blowout wins over the past several years. Not anymore. Tennessee isn't intimidated by the Tide and finally has a solid foundation with Heupel at the helm. The good news for Alabama is a loss is almost always followed by a win.

— Edwin Stanton

TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS VERSION

Alabama at Tennessee

When: 2:30 p.m. Saturday
Records: No. 6 Alabama (5-1, 3-1 SEC), No. 14 Tennessee (5-1, 2-1)
TV/radio: ABC/FM-97.9/AM-1340
The series: Alabama leads 61-39-8.

Four-down territory

1. Blueprint for success: Teams have had a difficult time reining in Alabama quarterback Keelon Russell, but Georgia had the most success of anyone this season. The key is pressure. Russell was constantly under pressure and was sacked four times vs. UGA. Of course, he escaped the collapsing pocket a few times and rushed for 70 yards. "He's a dynamic player, he's throwing extremely efficiently, makes plays with his feet," Tennessee coach Josh Heupel said. "He can scramble to run but also throw the football down the field if you're not matching things out."

2. Back to tradition: Alabama and Tennessee will revive a historic tradition with both wearing home jerseys for the "Third Saturday in October" matchup. Per the two-year arrangement, the Crimson Tide will don crimson tops Saturday in Knoxville while the Volunteers will sport their orange jerseys when UT visits Tuscaloosa in 2027. This year's game is the first time since 1970 both teams will wear their home jerseys.

3. Low Tide: Alabama's defense gives up just 20 points per game. In the last three games, Tennessee scored 17 points in a loss to Texas and 24 each in a pair of wins against Auburn and Arkansas. Touchdowns, not field goals, will be needed against Alabama. The good news for the Vols is that their defense gives up just 15 points per game. "It's a talented defense, talented SEC defense," Tennessee tight end Trent Thomas said of Alabama. "Very fast, very physical guys. We're going to have to have a great week of preparation. Take it day by day to be able to perform on Saturday."

4. Here we go again: The quarterback situation at Tennessee is still in flux between freshman Faizon Brandon and George MacIntyre. Brandon started the first five games, but was pulled in the first half against Auburn, where he was ineffective and was dealing with a shoulder injury. MacIntyre got the start last week, and while the offense wasn't smooth, the Vols won. It's still not clear who will be the starter against Alabama.



Tennessee tight end DaSaahn Brame and the Vols are seeking another home victory over Alabama on Saturday. [MICHAEL WOODS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Key matchup

Tennessee TE DaSaahn Brame vs. Alabama TE Kaleb Edwards

Big games come down to big plays and both teams have playmakers at tight end. Brame is the fourth leading receiver for the Vols with 130 yards, 87 of which came last week. Edwards is the fourth leading receiver for Alabama (140 yards) with a touchdown.

Player of the week

DL Xavier Gilliam

Among interior tackles, Gilliam leads the SEC in tackles for loss (10), sacks (5), forced fumbles (2), QB hurries (6) and pressures (22). He's a difference maker up front and affects the run and passing game.

By the numbers

0: Opponents are 0-for-5 on fourth down against Tennessee, which is best in the nation.

3: The last time Tennessee beat Alabama in Knoxville three straight times was 1996, 1998 and 2000.

4: Tennessee has scored on its first offensive drive in four of six games.

27: DeSean Bishop is sixth on UT's all-time rushing touchdown list with 27, 10 behind leader Gene McEver.

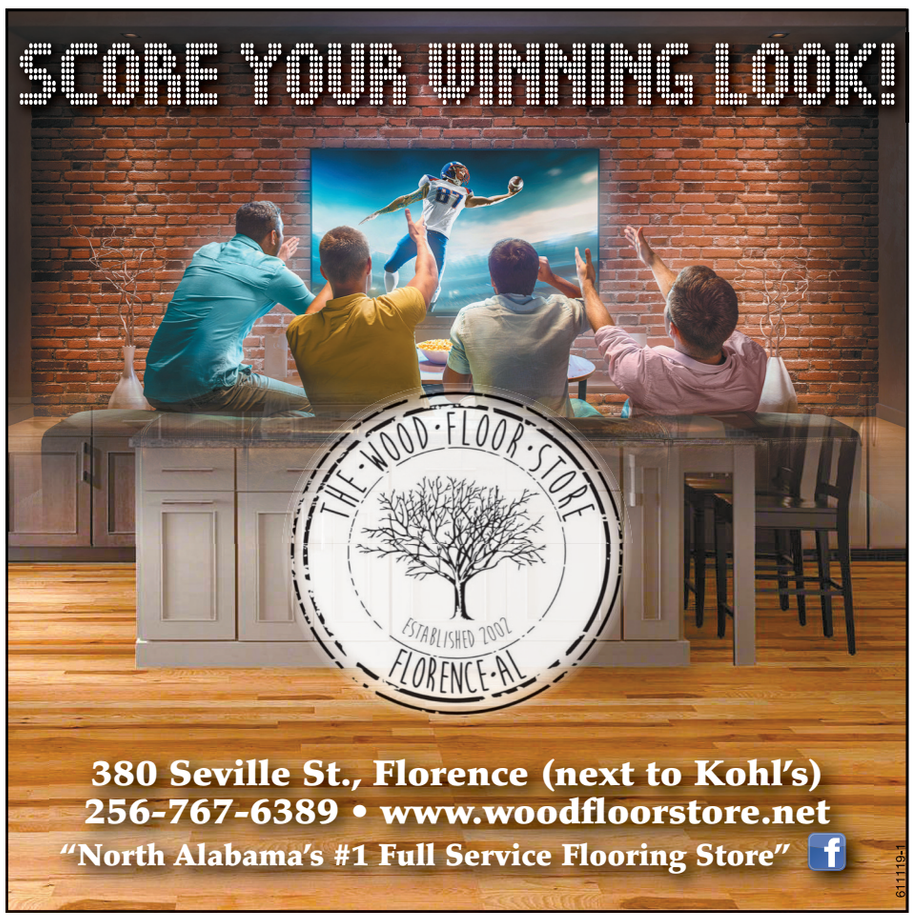
Prediction

Alabama 24, Tennessee 17

This one won't get into a shootout. It comes down to ball control and a solid run game. Tennessee has those, but Alabama's dynamic quarterback is the difference. The Tennessee defense has to get to Keelon Russell often and disrupt his rhythm. Alabama has a good defense, too, and will do everything it can to put the QB off balance, whether it's George MacIntyre or Faizon Brandon.

— Edwin Stanton





Auburn at Georgia

When: 2:30 p.m. Saturday
Records: Auburn (3-2, 1-2 SEC), No. 1 Georgia (6-0, 4-0)
TV/radio: ESPN/FM-94.9, FM 100.3
The series: Georgia leads 66-56-8.



Auburn receiver Keshaun Singleton will be crucial to the Tigers' chances of pulling off an upset at No. 1 Georgia on Saturday. [WADE PAYNE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Four-down territory

1. Not good: Facing Georgia is already a daunting enough task but take a key piece of the defense off the field and the job just got insanely more difficult. Linebacker Xavier Atkins has been suspended, Auburn coach Alex Golesh said this week. "He won't be with us this week for the game on Saturday, and he won't be available. We'll revisit early next week when we meet again here," Golesh said. Bryce Deas and De'Marcus Riddick are two options to take the vacant spot. Riddick hasn't seen the field much this season, although he has played in all five games. Deas has also seen action every game and has 15 tackles as a backup.

2. Digging out of a hole: Auburn's offense has struggled this season, and it goes into a hostile road environment in a matchup against a Georgia defense that ranks in the top 11 in scoring defense, total defense and run defense. Auburn averages 180 rushing yards per game, which isn't terrible, but most of the carries are from quarterback Byrum Brown (81 for 341 yards). The combined carries by running backs Jeremiah Cobb and Omar Mabson II (77) don't equal Brown's, although they have combined for 458 yards. "We are going to try and run the ball every week," Tigers offensive coordinator Joel Gordon said. "We have to be more consistent across the board."

3. Look inward: Auburn needed a bye, not just to get an extra week of preparation for Georgia, but to assess where the team is, what the team does well, what it doesn't do well and what needs to happen moving forward. The answer is that the Tigers are confident in the game plan and what they want to do. It's the execution that needs work. "Can we continue to get smarter with what we do? Can we continue to play more sound football and more than anything else, penalty-free, not turn it over, create turnovers, truly continue to build towards the identity that that we ultimately want to be?," Golesh said.

4. Passing the test: Auburn's run game isn't the only area where the offense struggles. Auburn ranks 13th in the SEC and 80th in the nation in passing offense with 220 yards per game. Quarterback Byrum Brown is second in the league for most interceptions with seven, which matches his touchdown total. Against an elite Georgia defense, Brown will have to have a complete game. That means no picks, no taking sacks and making quicker reads. He is Auburn's top rusher for a reason, though. He gets out of trouble with his legs and makes positive plays. It will take more than that Saturday.

Key matchup

Auburn WR Keshaun Singleton vs. UGA secondary

The Tigers need big plays through the air and Singleton is the key. He's the leading receiver with 322 yards and has a touchdown, and he's the top target for quarterback Byrum Brown.

Player of the week

LB Elijah Melendez

With the loss of Xavier Atkins, Melendez has to be the anchor. He already leads the Tigers in tackles and sacks, asking him to take control won't be an issue.

By the numbers

5: Auburn is 5-13 against AP top-ranked teams, including 1-3 against Georgia.

0: Auburn held its last two opponents to zero first-half points.

60: Georgia is 60-5 in home games under Kirby Smart, including 5-0 against Auburn.

68: Auburn has been outscored 68-59 in the second half this season.

Prediction

Georgia 21, Auburn 13

The extra week off helped Auburn prepare and rest, but it won't be enough. Auburn hangs tough with opponents in the first half but has to figure out a way to finish. The Bulldogs don't have many flaws and giving them life in the fourth quarter won't help. Ask Alabama. It won't be a runaway Georgia win. Auburn's defense will keep it close, just like it always has this season.

— Edwin Stanton

Abilene Christian at UNA

When: 6 p.m. Saturday
Records: Abilene Christian (3-4, 2-0 UAC), UNA (4-2, 1-0)
TV: ESPN+
The series: Tied 2-2.

Four-down territory

1. More than meets the eye: While Abilene Christian sits at just 3-4, this is no sub-.500 team to take lightly. All of the Wildcats' losses have come against nationally ranked opponents, whether they be FCS or FBS. They started the season 0-3, losing at No. 20 Lamar — which has since climbed to No. 10 — at Texas Tech, which is currently ranked 10th in FBS, and at home against No. 9 Stephen F. Austin, which now sits at No. 3. After an FBS win at Idaho, ACU lost at home to No. 23 Mercer, and then rattled off two straight UAC wins, one of which was a 35-7 handling of No. 17 West Florida. The Wildcats clearly struggled, especially offensively, early, but have since figured it out for the most part. Saturday provides them an opportunity to get back to .500.

2. The champ is here: Regardless of how ACU has played so far, one simple fact remains that the Wildcats have won two-thirds of UAC titles handed out since the league's inception. Yes, there have been only three UAC championships, but the math remains true. Abilene Christian has been an FCS playoff participant twice since completing its Division I transition in 2017 and has had a winning record four times in that span. North Alabama has not done either since joining Division I. Even today, ACU sits atop the UAC standings at 2-0 in league play, albeit UNA and Tarleton State have each won their one conference game so far. The Wildcats are battle tested, and North Alabama will need to match that savvy.

3. Sign of the times? Two weeks ago, UNA separated itself from Brent Dearmon's teams of the past in its 20-16 win at Eastern Kentucky by establishing a three-game winning streak, leaving a league road game victorious for just the second time and winning a one-possession game, also for the second time. But that win seems to indicate UNA's emergence from the cellar of the league it's found itself in over the years. To prove the Lions belong within the upper echelon of the league starts with their performance against ACU before No. 12 Austin Peay comes to town. A showing similar to last year's 52-23 loss in Abilene would indicate UNA hasn't quite taken that next step. Something closer to 2024's 47-34 win over the Wildcats would garner national attention for UNA.



Abilene Christian's Rovaughn Banks Jr. will be searching for running room against UNA's stout defensive front. [ABILENE CHRISTIAN ATHLETICS]

4. Will the numbers lie? In most of the major UAC statistical categories, UNA has the edge over Abilene. UNA ranks fourth in scoring offense to ACU's sixth, second in scoring defense to Abilene's fourth, and has better total offensive and defensive numbers. ACU has a better total rushing offense than UNA, but the Lions rank first in the league, defensively, allowing 103.7 yards per game. UNA has a better passing offense in terms of yardage, but Destin Wade has only thrown six touchdowns, to ACU's nine, and North Alabama's passing defense ranks seventh of the eight teams in the league. Still, add the numbers to homefield advantage for UNA, and it projects to bode well.

Key matchup

UNA running game vs. ACU defensive front

Abilene Christian ranks 74th nationally and sixth in the UAC in rushing defense, allowing 171 yards per game, and is fresh off allowing Central Arkansas 6.6 yards per attempt on its way 206 yards and two touchdowns on the ground. UNA found its rushing attack against EKU, but it needs to translate here.

Players of the week

UNA defensive tackles

ACU's RB Rovaughn Banks Jr. and QB Tucker Parks rank fifth and sixth respectively in the UAC in rushing yards per game. Banks averages 65.2, while Parks sits at 64.4. Abilene Christian's offense is built on its running game, so North Alabama's inside front will have to keep up its strong play.

By the numbers

10th: UNA's national rank in rushing defense, averaging 103.7 yards per game.

2: The amount of Lions in the top three in the UAC in sacks. With seven sacks, Avery Howard is 2.5 clear of second place, and Cayden Adkins is third with four.

7: Interceptions ACU has thrown this season. UNA picked off EKU four times two weeks ago.

Prediction

Abilene Christian 28, UNA 20

Two teams pointed back in the right direction will hit the field on Saturday, but the one with more recent success usually gets it done. If the UNA offense continues to search for its identity, the Lions could be in for a tough couple of weeks.

— Matt St. Charles



Mizzou stars to face former teammates

By Dave Skretta
The Associated Press



Missouri quarterback Austin Simmons will take aim at his former school when the Tigers visit Ole Miss on Saturday. [LG PATTERSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

There are probably few in the locker rooms of No. 13 Missouri and ninth-ranked Ole Miss who are familiar with Wally Pipp, the New York Yankees slugger who famously lost his starting job to Lou Gehrig because of a headache, ultimately starting the Hall of Fame first baseman's streak of 2,130 consecutive games played.

They know all about Austin Simmons' story, though.

They are one and the same.

Simmons outdueled then-Ferris State transfer Trinidad Chambliss for the starting quarterback job at Ole Miss before last season, only to lose it when he got hurt in Week 2 against Kentucky. Chambliss took advantage of the opportunity and became a star, and Simmons was left backing him up — and, ultimately, looking for a new place to play this season.

That turned out to be Missouri, which was looking for a new starting QB. And while Chambliss has continued to lead the Rebels under new coach Pete Golding, Simmons has become a star in his own right for Tigers coach Eli Drinkwitz.

On Saturday, the two will face off in Oxford in one of college football's marquee matchups.

"I think the biggest thing is he's a tremendous teammate. He shows great leadership," Drinkwitz said of Simmons, who has thrown for exactly 1 yard less than Chambliss this season, but with more touchdowns and fewer interceptions.

"You go from being the starting quarterback to being Wally Pipped — you have to be a great encourager," Drinkwitz said. "He prepared like he was a starter if he ever got his moment. I think that says a lot about who Austin is as a person, that he can find the emotional maturity to believe in himself, and also be a good leader and not make it about him."

It won't be just about him anyway.

Shortly after Simmons transferred, wide receiver Cayden Lee followed him from Ole Miss to Missouri, in part because he wasn't sure who would be his QB there this season; only later did Chambliss win an injunction against the NCAA to play one more season.

"It's about to be fun. Seeing Cayden and Austin over there — seeing the success they have is cool," Chambliss said following last week's win over Vanderbilt. "But yeah, it's going to be fun to play them and it's going to be weird to see them in different colors."

That's just a part of college football these days, though. Players transfer so often that a teammate one day could be a rival the next.

Just in this matchup — along with Simmons and Lee — there's Tigers defensive back Chris Graves Jr., who spent three seasons at Ole Miss, and Rebels running back Kewan Lacy, who appeared in six games as a freshman at Missouri a couple of years ago.

"There's always going to be emotions. You have to have emotional consistency, and that's something we talk about," Drinkwitz said. "It is going to be new for them. I think they're going to have to rely on their teammate who have gone through this before.

"I think it's really going to be more about this team, the brotherhood, going on the road and playing a top-10 opponent."

Indeed, the game is crucial for each team's hopes of making the College Football Playoff.

Yet despite the heavy stakes, or even the way Simmons lost his starting job in Oxford, coaches and players on both sides of Saturday's showdown at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium insist there is no lingering animosity, like there could be in such situations.

"They were unbelievable throughout the (transfer to Missouri) process," Golding insisted. "There's a lot of mutual respect there."

Not just respect, but a profound sense of thankfulness.

"The biggest thing is to not make it bigger than it is. I think that's the most important thing," Drinkwitz said. "You have great memories there. There were great things that happened there. For all intents and purposes, I think everybody left in a positive light on both sides. We talk about, 'Enjoy the journey.' That was part of the journey that made them who they are right now. I don't think there has to be more to it than that."

Special teams a big issue for Longhorns

By Jim Vertuno
The Associated Press



Oklahoma scored a touchdown last week when Danny Okoye blocked Mac Chiumento's punt. [JEFFREY MCWHORTER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

AUSTIN, Texas — Special teams have become a problem for no-longer-top-ranked Texas.

In the last two weeks, the punt team has given up critical touchdowns with a long return and a blocked kick in the end zone. Kickoffs have flown out of bounds. Return teams have made critical penalties and fumbled away an onside kick.

Yet after last weekend's 27-24 loss to Oklahoma that was punctuated by special teams breakdowns and dropped the Longhorns to No. 7 in the AP Top 25, coach Steve Sarkisian said he has no plans to make major changes or take any duties away from special teams coordinator Jeff Banks.

"History's the best indicator of the future. We've been good on special teams for quite some time around here," Sarkisian said Monday. "I have a lot of faith in coach Banks and his schemes and a lot of faith in our players to get that done.

"Sometimes you go through lulls like you do on offense or like you do on defense. I don't question our ability to coach our way out of that," Sarkisian said.

Banks has been part of Sarkisian's Texas staff since 2021, when he came with Sarkisian from Alabama.

Special teams was a bright spot with game-changing plays for Texas last year.

In 2025, Ryan Niblett averaged 22.67 yards on punt returns, including touchdowns in close wins over Oklahoma and Mississippi State. Another long return set up Texas' only touchdown in a win over Kentucky.

This season has been a different story.

Niblett is averaging 8.61 yards per return through the first five games and nearly fumbled away a second-half punt against Ohio State. Against Tennessee, his fair catch signal negated would have been a nifty misdirection play on a punt return.

The punt team also gave up a return touchdown to the Volunteers — the first against Texas in 13 years — and fumbled away an onside kick in the final minute. Texas didn't have that win in hand until Tennessee's final pass into the end zone fell incomplete.

Against Oklahoma, Gianni Spetic's opening kickoff went out of bounds. The Sooners scored their first touchdown against Texas in three years on a blocked punt in the second quarter. Spetic missed a 53-yard field-goal attempt late in the fourth quarter.

The gaffes, missed kicks and missed blocks have kept opponents in games Texas might have otherwise comfortably put away.

Sarkisian has been questioned about more than special teams. He is also the offensive coordinator and play-caller, and the Longhorns have been struggling to the move the ball and score touchdowns the last few weeks.

Arch Manning threw two fourth-quarter interceptions against Oklahoma. The first was returned for a touchdown and the second set up the game-winning field goal.

The Longhorns have 15 three-and-outs over the last two games. Texas rallied to beat Ohio State with 21 points in the fourth quarter back on Sept. 12, but the offense has sputtered since.

"Clearly we've been just a little bit off. I think we're close," Sarkisian said. "Our job is to work our way through this lull that we're in to be as explosive of an offense that we can be."

The Longhorns rank 12th in the Southeastern Conference in total offense and rushing, and ninth in passing.

Manning ranks seventh in the SEC in passing with 224.24 yards per game, with 10 touchdown passes and five interceptions. His 63% completion rate is the second-lowest among the league's top 10 passers.

Sarkisian defended the quarterback who led a rally against Ohio State but made big mistakes late against Oklahoma.

"I think if you took the name off the back of his jersey and you said, 'Here's Joe Smith playing quarterback at the University of Texas and here's a guy who's beaten four top-10 ranked teams in his last 13 starts,' we'd be praising the guy," Sarkisian said. "But the expectations are high for him, and he understands that. The expectations are high for all of us."



Notre Dame running back Aneyas Williams hopes to have good reason to don the mascot's leprechaun's hat for the alma mater after Saturday's game at BYU. [CHRIS SEWARD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Irish excited for top-10 duel on road

By Michael Marot
The Associated Press

Notre Dame coach Marcus Freeman enjoys playing the weekly chess match each fall.

He likes it even more when the Fighting Irish are playing on the road.

Make no mistake, Freeman loves playing beneath Touchdown Jesus, inside a stadium dripping with history and occupied by a sea of blue, gold and green-clad fans roaring in South Bend. It's just that when he takes Notre Dame on the road, it's a different kind of challenge.

"Let's go play against the best on their home field, in their environment, where's it's us against everybody," the usually low-key Freeman said Monday. "I kind of like it there. Obviously, I love playing at home, but there's something about going on the road when it's us against everybody and it makes you say, 'OK, we've got to do this together,' and I love it."

That next opportunity comes Saturday when the second-ranked Irish (6-0) put a 16-game winning streak on the line when they visit No. 8 BYU (5-0) in one of two top-10 matchups this weekend. The other has unbeaten No. 5 Indiana hosting No. 4 Ohio State in a rematch of last year's Big Ten championship game.

All four teams have hopes of making the 12-team College Football Playoff field.

But for the Irish, who opted out of playing a bowl game last season after being snubbed by the CFP selection committee, this is their first — and perhaps best — opportunity to prove they're capable of winning their first national championship since 1988.

It's also the toughest matchup of the season so far for BYU.

So the Irish and Freeman, now in his fifth full season as Notre Dame's coach, know what to expect. The crowd will be loud and wild because when Notre Dame travels, it's always someone else's biggest game.

"Like this is what Notre Dame football does," Freeman said. "We go into different places, and it's a big game and that's what we expect. That's why we're here. That's why we choose to come to Notre Dame. We love this. I love it, they love it, like this is exactly why we're at Notre Dame."

This trip will be somewhat unusual for these Irish players and coaches. The teams last met in 2022 in Las Vegas, with Notre Dame winning 28-20. But this one is in Provo, Utah, a city that sits 4,551 feet above sea level and where the Irish have only played twice — winning 45-20 in 1993 and losing 20-17 in 2004.

Freeman has been brushing up the best practices for playing at altitude and recovering from playing at altitude. He may even ask cornerback DJ McKinney for some tips, since McKinney spent his previous two seasons at Colorado.

The unknowns don't bother Freeman. He's ready to hit the road.

"Part of it is the competitor inside who you are," he said. "You want to play against the best and you know this is going to be, on paper, the best opponent we're going to see, to date. I love it. They love it because their competitors. So let's go do it."

COLUMN

Gators' dreams now Napier nightmares

By Mike Bianchi
Orlando Sentinel



Florida coach Jon Sumrall and the Gators seemed on the march to a playoff berth after four games. Two bad losses have since derailed those dreams.
[NOAH LANTOR/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

ORLANDO, Fla. — Somewhere in Harrisonburg, Virginia, Billy Napier must be laughing so hard that he just pulled a hamstring.

Not because Florida Gators fans want him back. Trust me, they don't. Gator Nation would sooner bring back dial-up Internet than bring back Napier, whose disastrous tenure in Gainesville was about as enjoyable as a four-hour timeshare presentation.

But you can almost picture Napier sitting in his office at James Madison, looking at his team's perfect 6-0 record, watching highlights of Florida getting embarrassed by South Carolina on Saturday and allowing himself a little chuckle.

Not quite as easy as it looked, is it, Jon?

After all, Napier is undefeated at James Madison, with a more realistic path to the College Football Playoff than new UF coach Jon Sumrall's Gators, who have gone from college football playoff dreams to recurring nightmares of South Carolina and Missouri running through their defense like a Black Friday mob through the doors at Walmart.

Three weekends ago, Florida football was back from the dead. Two beatdowns later, it's back in the ditch.

Wasn't it just 2 ½ weeks ago that Sumrall was being hailed as the second coming of Steve Spurrier? Wasn't it just two weeks ago that the Gators were 4-0, ranked No. 8 in America and celebrating a 52-28 demolition of Ole Miss as if the national championship trophy had already been shipped to Gainesville?

Gator Nation was euphoric. The Swamp was rocking. The offense was rolling. The sleeping giant had awakened.

And Sumrall? He was a miracle worker. A football messiah. A coaching magician who had somehow accomplished in four games what his predecessors couldn't accomplish in four years.

Turns out, he hadn't fixed Florida football. He'd just made us forget for a few weeks how difficult fixing Florida football really is.

Missouri provided the first reminder, pounding the Gators 45-17. South Carolina delivered the second Saturday, marching into the Swamp as a 10 ½-point underdog and administering a 38-19 homecoming humiliation.

If you're scoring at home, that's two losses to two underdogs by a combined score of 83-36.

From 4-0 to 4-2. From No. 8 in the nation to nowhere near the national championship conversation. From the next Spurrier to the next guy trying to figure out how to survive the SEC.

And somewhere, Napier must be thinking: See? That place can humble anybody.

Of course, Napier helped create the mess Sumrall inherited, so let's not confuse his newfound success at James Madison with vindication for his Florida failures. Napier can chuckle if he wants, but let's remember he's the guy who helped dig the hole Sumrall is now trying to climb out of.

Still, there is an obvious irony in watching the coach who couldn't win at Florida suddenly go undefeated somewhere else while the coach who seemingly couldn't lose at Florida suddenly can't win.

Look, this isn't to suggest Sumrall has suddenly forgotten how to coach. He didn't become a genius after four victories, and he hasn't become an idiot after two defeats. But perhaps we should have waited a little longer before fitting him for a statue outside Ben Hill Griffin Stadium.

And, yes, I'm including myself in that group.

After Florida annihilated Ole Miss, I wrote a column welcoming the mighty Gators back to college football's elite. I practically threw rose petals at Sumrall's feet. I praised his offensive coordinator, Buster Faulkner, and suggested the Gators were finally playing football the way Florida football was meant to be played.

I even wrote that Sumrall had pumped more electricity into the program in four games than the previous four head coaches could generate with jumper cables and a lightning bolt.

Apparently, somebody forgot to pay the electric bill. The lights have gone out.

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GATORS

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The offense that scored 52 points against Ole Miss has managed just 36 in the last two games combined. Two weeks ago, running back Jadan Baugh was striking Heisman poses. Now he should be posing for a missing-person poster on the side of a milk carton.

Meanwhile, Florida's defense couldn't stop a Roomba with a dead battery. South Carolina quarterback LaNorris Sellers threw four touchdown passes Saturday against a Florida defense that seemed to be hearkening back to the days of COVID and practicing social distancing.

The Gamecocks arrived in Gainesville on an eight-game SEC losing streak, then marched into Florida's house, wiped their muddy boots on the Persian rug, put out their cigars in the mashed potatoes, drank all the expensive bourbon, stole the silverware and did donuts on the front lawn before speeding away with the Gators' dignity in the trunk.

Suddenly, the same Swamp that was rocking with championship dreams against Ole Miss was half-empty and even booing against South Carolina.

Here's the thing, though: Sumrall actually tried to warn us.

Even after the Ole Miss masterpiece, he cautioned that the Gators weren't a finished product. That there were weaknesses to correct. That one spectacular September victory didn't mean Florida had suddenly conquered the SEC.



Florida receiver TJ Abrams and the Gators found victory out of reach at Missouri and at home against South Carolina. By a combined score of 83-36. [JEFF ROBERSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

We didn't want to hear it. We were too busy anointing him the savior. And now we're learning what Sumrall knew all along: A football program that has spent years cycling through coaches doesn't get rebuilt in four Saturdays.

There are still holes in the roster, deficiencies on the offensive line and defensive problems that don't disappear just because the head coach gives a fiery speech. And still a brutal SEC schedule that couldn't care less about your feel-good comeback story.

Next up? Texas and Georgia.

Gulp.

If Missouri and South Carolina were reality checks, the next two games could be foreclosure notices.

But here's where perspective matters. Sumrall didn't inherit a championship program. He inherited a 4-8 team, a frustrated fan base and a football culture desperate for something — anything — to believe in.

Those first four victories weren't meaningless. The Ole Miss beatdown wasn't an illusion. The excitement wasn't manufactured. It was real; it just wasn't proof that the rebuilding job was finished.

Maybe Sumrall will eventually become the coach who restores Florida to national prominence. Maybe the Ole Miss victory was a glimpse of the future rather than a misleading flashy fluke of September brilliance.

But right now, the Gators are learning a painful lesson: There's a difference between waking a sleeping giant and teaching it how to fight.

Two weeks ago, I wrote that Florida had stopped sending postcards from its journey back to greatness and finally arrived. Turns out, the Gators hadn't arrived. They'd just stopped at a rest area.

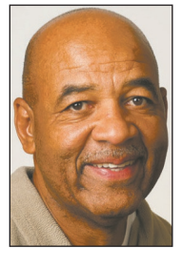
Meanwhile, somewhere in Harrisonburg, undefeated Billy Napier is probably wearing a devilish grin.

The football gods don't just have a sense of humor.

They have a sadistic streak longer than a CVS receipt.

PICKS PANEL







	MATT ST. CHARLES	SIRVELL CARTER	STACY LONG	DEANGELO MCDANIEL	RENITA JIMMAR	CALEB SUGGS	AMY BEARD	GREGG DEWALT
Alabama at Tennessee	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama
Auburn at Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Auburn	Georgia
Abilene Christian at North Alabama	Abilene Christian	UNA	Abilene Christian	UNA	UNA	UNA	Abilene Christian	Abilene Christian
Missouri at Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Ole Miss
Oklahoma State at Houston	Oklahoma State	Houston	Houston	Houston	Houston	Oklahoma State	Oklahoma State	Houston
Penn State at Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Penn State	Michigan	Michigan
Cincinnati at West Virginia	West Virginia	Cincinnati	West Virginia	West Virginia	Cincinnati	West Virginia	West Virginia	Cincinnati
North Carolina at Duke	North Carolina	Duke	Duke	Duke	North Carolina	North Carolina	North Carolina	North Carolina
Wisconsin at UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	Wisconsin
Wake Forest at Cal	Wake Forest	Wake Forest	Wake Forest	Cal	Wake Forest	Wake Forest	Wake Forest	Wake Forest
Last week	**6-4**	**7-3**	**4-6**	**7-3**	**3-7**	**6-4**	**4-6**	**3-7**
Season record	**44-16**	**42-18**	**41-19**	**41-19**	**38-22**	**38-22**	**33-27**	**33-27**

COLLEGE STANDINGS

(Through Oct. 10 games)

American Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Memphis	2	0	97	21	5	1	231	125
UTSA	2	0	47	38	5	1	188	155
North Texas	2	0	95	54	4	2	253	175
FAU	1	0	38	30	4	1	186	133
East Carolina	1	0	28	12	3	2	124	113
Army	2	1	65	62	3	2	153	96
UAB	1	1	37	58	3	3	133	155
Temple	1	1	34	34	2	4	149	158
South Florida	1	2	65	72	4	2	157	104
Navy	1	2	84	88	2	3	135	117
Tulane	0	1	17	20	2	3	92	113
Tulsa	0	2	70	79	3	3	165	140
Rice	0	2	26	44	1	5	102	165
Charlotte	0	2	18	109	0	6	96	253

Atlantic Coast Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Miami	3	0	119	39	5	0	248	49
Wake Forest	3	1	145	77	5	1	221	129
Pittsburgh	2	1	79	67	5	1	209	88
SMU	2	1	83	81	4	1	173	115
Virginia	2	1	69	71	4	2	197	115
Clemson	2	1	65	71	3	2	97	129
California	2	1	56	62	3	3	160	153
Louisville	2	2	140	112	3	3	237	166
Duke	1	1	60	35	4	1	170	72
North Carolina	1	1	41	45	3	2	117	95
Georgia Tech	1	1	55	59	2	3	136	129
Virginia Tech	1	2	74	74	4	2	226	124
Florida St.	1	2	82	78	3	3	186	152
NC State	1	2	53	100	3	3	198	166
Stanford	1	3	50	164	2	4	94	249
Boston College	0	2	30	46	2	3	95	117
Syracuse	0	3	56	76	2	3	164	120

Big 12 Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
BYU	3	0	69	37	5	0	173	67
Texas Tech	2	0	57	33	5	0	174	81
Utah	2	0	72	41	5	0	214	65
Baylor	2	0	78	32	4	1	174	71
Oklahoma St.	2	0	83	52	4	1	191	107
Arizona	2	1	103	66	5	1	214	114
Houston	2	1	88	61	5	1	240	115
Cincinnati	1	1	38	60	4	1	169	116
Arizona St.	1	1	43	72	3	2	163	139
Iowa St.	1	2	72	97	3	3	178	130
UCF	1	2	66	82	3	3	190	130
Kansas St.	0	2	42	66	3	2	178	96
Colorado	0	2	20	52	2	3	93	127
Kansas	0	2	41	65	2	3	168	109
TCU	0	2	23	38	2	3	127	67
West Virginia	0	3	97	138	3	3	218	196

Big Sky Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Montana	3	1	170	106	5	2	267	182
N. Arizona	3	1	135	130	5	2	215	216
Cal Poly	3	1	128	127	4	3	207	212
Weber St.	3	1	151	134	4	3	263	253
Montana St.	2	1	116	49	5	1	222	110
UC Davis	2	1	102	124	4	2	206	204
Portland St.	2	1	98	86	2	4	141	270
Idaho St.	1	2	83	87	4	2	209	131
S. Utah	1	2	91	89	2	4	188	217
Idaho	1	2	96	110	1	5	166	240
E. Washington	1	3	123	136	2	5	196	249
N. Colorado	1	3	102	110	2	5	161	186
Utah Tech	0	4	60	167	0	7	104	300

Big Ten Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Indiana	3	0	96	55	6	0	241	71
UCLA	3	0	123	56	5	0	196	90
Ohio St.	3	0	118	49	5	1	256	79
Wisconsin	2	0	55	23	4	1	158	83
Southern Cal	3	1	125	120	6	1	255	176
Iowa	2	1	75	74	5	1	186	87
Nebraska	2	1	96	56	5	1	235	91
Minnesota	2	1	60	79	4	2	173	131
Purdue	2	1	103	82	3	3	193	188
Northwestern	1	1	57	42	4	1	177	81
Oregon	1	1	56	44	3	2	205	110
Illinois	1	2	74	103	3	3	191	167
Michigan	0	2	33	40	3	2	115	79
Rutgers	0	2	50	89	1	4	150	161
Penn St.	0	3	56	89	3	3	183	111
Washington	0	3	69	93	3	3	157	133
Maryland	0	3	42	147	2	4	168	196
Michigan St.	0	3	53	100	2	4	128	154



Terrance Carter Jr. is part of one of three unbeaten teams left in the Big 12 Conference. [DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Coastal Athletic Association

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Monmouth (N.J.)	3	0	100	84	4	2	159	199
Campbell	2	0	86	34	5	1	204	173
Bryant	2	0	62	33	4	2	123	140
Stony Brook	2	0	87	48	4	2	205	178
Elon	2	2	100	99	4	3	180	122
Sacred Heart	2	2	89	84	2	4	106	149
N.C. A&T	2	2	96	118	2	5	135	224
Albany (N.Y.)	1	1	48	42	3	3	128	101
Rhode Island	1	2	73	88	3	3	134	143
Maine	1	2	54	85	1	5	87	185
New Hampshire	1	3	84	101	2	5	136	233
Hampton	0	2	23	75	1	5	102	206
Towson	0	3	82	93	0	7	160	254

Conference USA

Liberty	2	0	65	17	5	1	187	92
Jacksonville St.	2	0	50	39	4	2	164	135
FIU	1	0	22	3	3	2	94	61
New Mexico St.	1	1	37	35	2	4	142	154
W. Kentucky	1	1	47	47	2	4	133	211
Delaware	0	1	14	30	2	3	107	128
Middle Tenn.	0	1	13	23	2	3	104	140
Kennesaw St.	0	1	26	27	1	4	113	117
Missouri St.	0	1	13	34	1	4	109	162
Sam Houston St.	0	1	3	35	1	4	114	131

Ivy League

Harvard	2	0	55	39	4	0	106	63
Princeton	1	0	35	7	3	1	99	41
Yale	1	1	53	45	3	1	132	97
Cornell	1	1	67	66	2	2	109	100
Dartmouth	1	1	21	38	1	3	69	93
Columbia	0	1	7	35	3	1	108	114
Brown	0	1	10	14	2	2	65	50
Penn	0	1	10	14	2	2	61	61

Mid-American Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
E. Michigan	3	0	91	54	4	3	158	173
Ohio	2	0	44	24	4	2	165	148
W. Michigan	2	0	58	24	4	2	154	104
Bowling Green	2	0	62	30	2	4	95	175
Toledo	1	1	47	47	4	2	220	151
Buffalo	1	1	40	28	3	3	125	161
Cent. Michigan	1	1	55	48	3	3	102	158
Miami (Ohio)	1	1	40	43	3	3	154	165
UMass	1	2	68	64	4	2	178	109
Kent St.	1	2	43	64	2	4	82	195
Akron	0	2	40	66	1	5	118	193
Ball St.	0	2	37	65	1	5	110	234
Sacramento St.	0	3	33	101	1	5	98	181

Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Morgan St.	0	0	0	0	5	1	186	165
S.C. State	0	0	0	0	5	2	305	134
Delaware St.	0	0	0	0	4	3	164	177
Norfolk St.	0	0	0	0	4	3	247	164
Howard	0	0	0	0	2	4	106	202
N.C. Central	0	0	0	0	2	5	161	211

Missouri Valley

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
S. Dakota St.	2	0	58	34	5	1	245	96
N. Iowa	2	0	52	38	3	2	132	141
Youngstown St.	3	1	152	95	5	2	278	163
North Dakota	2	1	114	87	5	2	272	191
South Dakota	2	1	103	71	5	2	265	175
S. Illinois	1	2	72	65	3	4	169	185
Illinois St.	0	2	35	59	4	2	229	106
Murray St.	0	2	34	101	1	5	89	244
Indiana St.	0	3	73	143	2	5	194	261

Mountain West Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
UNLV	2	0	34	13	4	2	138	125
New Mexico	1	0	61	7	4	1	217	53
N. Dakota St.	2	1	73	45	5	1	175	62
Air Force	2	1	96	78	4	1	144	87
Wyoming	2	1	43	51	3	3	87	123
San Jose St.	1	1	33	32	3	3	126	141
Nevada	1	1	63	49	2	3	139	110
N. Illinois	0	1	7	28	0	5	62	173
UTEP	0	2	20	91	1	5	95	237
Hawaii	0	3	32	68	1	5	100	154

Northeast Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
LIU Brooklyn	2	0	44	38	2	5	103	206
Robert Morris	1	0	28	7	3	3	155	151
CCSU	1	0	45	14	2	3	156	185
Stonehill	1	0	21	3	2	4	111	147
Duquesne	0	1	14	17	1	4	87	169
Mercyhurst	0	1	24	27	1	5	111	263
New Haven	0	1	3	21	1	5	76	175
Wagner	0	2	21	73	1	5	75	244

Ohio Valley Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
SE Missouri	1	0	38	27	3	3	135	149
W. Illinois	1	0	28	21	3	3	191	137
E. Illinois	1	0	21	7	2	4	111	213
UT Martin	1	0	42	28	2	4	148	203
Gardner-Webb	1	1	19	31	2	5	151	163
L'wood (Mo.)	1	1	47	55	1	4	96	168
Chas. Southern	0	2	27	32	3	3	167	122
Tennessee St.	0	2	49	70	1	5	108	215

Pac-12 Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Boise St.	2	0	75	49	5	1	210	134
Oregon St.	2	0	122	40	4	2	251	132
Fresno St.	1	1	57	44	4	2	170	120
San Diego St.	1	1	45	95	2	4	137	210
Utah St.	1	1	35	53	2	4	87	141
Colorado St.	0	1	26	56	2	3	187	193
Texas State	0	1	29	31	2	3	174	166
Washington St.	0	2	22	43	1	5	111	142

Patriot League

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Lehigh	4	0	158	44	6	0	202	71
Colgate	3	0	87	45	4	2	134	85
Richmond	3	1	113	86	5	2	154	189
Holy Cross	2	2	99	114	2	4	134	197
Fordham	2	2	86	99	2	5	109	213
Villanova	1	2	70	79	2	4	138	192
Georgetown	1	2	56	83	1	4	87	138
William & Mary	1	3	96	169	3	4	142	260
Lafayette	0	2	61	78	1	4	115	183
Bucknell	0	3	44	73	1	5	65	155

Pioneer League

Butler	2	0	74	38	5	1	224	132
Marist	2	0	70	21	3	3	155	115
St. Thomas (Minn.)	2	1	135	93	5	2	260	204
Presbyterian	2	1	100	84	3	3	164	241
Valparaiso	2	1	86	49	3	3	179	128
Drake	2	1	94	75	2	4	153	214
Dayton	1	1	78	58	4	1	168	99
San Diego	1	2	90	105	2	4	162	248
Davidson	0	3	67	152	2	5	157	269
Morehead St.	0	2	31	93	1	5	155	281
Stetson	0	2	35	92	1	5	112	260

Southeastern Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Georgia	4	0	144	61	6	0	277	84
Alabama	3	1	167	78	5	1	265	124
Kentucky	3	1	118	134	5	1	208	168
Missouri	2	1	96	54	5	1	215	106
Tennessee	2	1	65	51	5	1	208	93
Mississippi	2	1	112	93	4	1	194	140
Mississippi St.	2	1	95	114	4	1	195	140
Florida	2	2	132	150	4	2	250	174
Texas	1	1	44	44	4	1	157	80
Oklahoma	1	1	40	65	3	2	115	88
LSU	1	2	93	73	4	2	252	111
Auburn	1	2	74	83	3	2	134	107
South Carolina	1	3	124	144	3	3	226	153
Texas A&M	1	3	67	100	3	3	165	120
Vanderbilt	0	3	46	111	3	3	144	177
Arkansas	0	3	41	103	2	4	116	166

Southern Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
ETSU	3	0	106	50	5	2	229	175
Tennessee Tech	4	1	151	125	5	1	189	139
Mercer	2	1	84	37	5	2	214	116
Chattanooga	3	2	99	56	4	3	140	88
Wofford	2	2	119	122	4	3	167	171
W. Carolina	1	2	89	95	3	4	221	220
Furman	1	2	60	65	2	5	115	157
Samford	1	2	67	71	1	5	109	148
VMI	0	2	10	99	0	6	50	251
The Citadel	0	3	38	103	2	4	135	201

Southland Conference

S.F. Austin	3	0	110	60	6	0	230	91
Lamar	3	0	129	67	5	1	180	136
Houston Chr.	2	1	73	60	3	3	178	154
UT RGV	2	2	85	64	3	3	145	109
East Texas A&M	2	2	89	102	2	4	104	167
SE Louisiana	1	2	83	68	3	3	165	167
Incarnate Word	1	2	91	89	2	4	205	204
McNeese St.	1	2	64	89	2	4	154	179
Nicholls	1	2	51	93	2	4	98	233
Northwestern St.	0	3	49	132	0	6	112	303

Southwestern Athletic

East								
Jackson St.	2	1	104	90	5	1	237	135
Alabama A&M	2	1	123	69	5	2	260	129
MVSU	2	1	81	102	3	4	128	239
Alabama St.	2	2	108	76	3	3	159	110
Beth.-Cookman	1	1	33	65	3	3	165	190
Florida A&M	1	1	49	67	2	4	115	211
West								
Grambling St.	2	1	122	118	4	2	226	214
Alcorn St.	2	1	155	154	4	3	297	255
Ark.-Pine Bluff	1	1	92	63	3	2	182	167
Prairie View	2	2	114	84	2	5	157	208
Southern U.	1	3	72	120	3	4	162	243
Texas Southern	0	3	88	133	1	5	150	280

Sun Belt Conference

East								
James Madison	3	0	118	61	6	0	251	90
Georgia St.	1	0	42	10	4	1	197	95
Coastal Carolina	1	1	51	52	2	4	151	146
Ga. Southern	1	1	55	51	2	4	148	146
Old Dominion	1	2	40	91	2	4	109	165
Appalachian St.	0	1	3	10	3	2	142	99
Marshall	0	2	38	72	3	3	132	202
West								
South Alabama	2	0	108	84	4	2	233	207
Louisiana Tech	1	0	32	31	3	2	176	147
Troy	1	0	55	34	3	2	140	120
La.-Lafayette	1	1	54	52	4	2	177	129
Arkansas St.	0	2	69	79	2	4	169	173
Southern Miss	0	1	34	55	1	4	132	173
La.-Monroe	0	1	35	52	0	5	120	223

United Athletic Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Abilene Chr.	2	0	55	21	3	4	144	174
Tarleton St.	1	0	40	32	6	0	237	140
North Alabama	1	0	20	16	4	2	142	127
Austin Peay	1	1	70	56	5	2	254	137
E. Kentucky	1	1	46	40	2	4	110	168
West Florida	1	2	65	87	3	2	119	135
West Georgia	0	1	20	30	1	5	113	195
Cent. Arkansas	0	2	28	62	2	4	139	167

Independents

	All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA
Notre Dame	6	0	264	66
UConn	3	3	214	151
Merrimack	2	4	98	186
Chicago State	1	5	174	239



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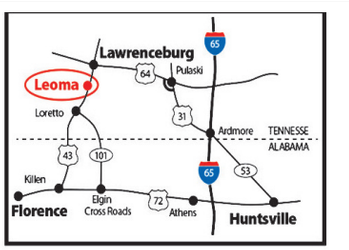
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