

# 2019 SEC BOWL AGREEMENTS

The Southeastern Conference has agreements with nine postseason bowls, not including College Football Playoff/New Year's Six games, and a process for the assignment of SEC member schools to bowl games that began with the 2014 season and extending for six years through the 2019 season.

The current SEC bowl process coincided with the beginning of the College Football Playoff that followed the 2014 college football season. The SEC also participates in the Allstate Sugar Bowl and the Capital One Orange Bowl (in selected years). Under the current SEC bowl system, the Citrus Bowl in Orlando (vs. Big Ten), a longtime SEC bowl, will have the first selection of available SEC teams after any conference schools have qualified for the College Football Playoff, New Year's Six, or the Allstate Sugar Bowl.

Following the Citrus Bowl, there will be a pool of six bowls

comprised of the Outback Bowl in Tampa (vs. Big Ten), Franklin American Mortgage Music City Bowl in Nashville (vs. ACC/Big Ten), TaxSlayer Gator Bowl in Jacksonville (vs. ACC/Big Ten), AutoZone Liberty Bowl in Memphis (vs. Big 12), Academy Sports + Outdoors Texas Bowl in Houston (vs. Big 12) and Belk Bowl in Charlotte (vs. ACC). In consultation with SEC member institutions, as well as these six bowls, the conference will make the assignments for the bowl games in the pool system.

The SEC also has a relationship with both the Birmingham Bowl (vs. American) and the Walk-On's Independence Bowl in Shreveport (vs. ACC). The Birmingham Bowl will have the first selection of available teams following the pool of six bowls. The Independence Bowl will have the next selection of available teams following the Birmingham Bowl.



## ALLSTATE SUGAR BOWL

Jan. 1 • 8:45 p.m. ET • ESPN  
New Orleans, La. • Mercedes-Benz Superdome (72,500)  
Teams: SEC vs. Big 12



## CAPITAL ONE ORANGE BOWL

Dec. 30 • 8 p.m. ET • ESPN  
Miami, Fla. • Sun Life Stadium (75,000)  
Teams: ACC vs. SEC/Big Ten/Notre Dame



## CITRUS BOWL

Jan. 1 • 1 p.m. ET • ABC  
Orlando, Fla. • Camping World Stadium (60,219)  
Teams: SEC vs. Big Ten or ACC



## OUTBACK BOWL

Jan. 1 • 1 ET • ESPN  
Tampa, Fla. • Raymond James Stadium (65,657)  
Teams: SEC vs. Big Ten



## FRANKLIN AMERICAN MORTGAGE MUSIC CITY BOWL

Dec. 30 • 4 p.m. ET • ESPN  
Nashville, Tenn. • Nissan Stadium (69,143)  
Teams: SEC vs. ACC/Big Ten



## TAXSLAYER GATOR BOWL

Jan. 2 • 7 p.m. ET • ESPN  
Jacksonville, Fla. • Everbank Field (77,511)  
Teams: SEC vs. Big Ten/ACC



## AUTOZONE LIBERTY BOWL

Dec. 31 • 3:45 p.m. ET • ESPN  
Memphis, Tenn. • Liberty Bowl Stadium (58,211)  
Teams: SEC vs. Big 12



## ACADEMY SPORTS + OUTDOORS TEXAS BOWL

Dec. 27 • 6:45 p.m. ET • ESPN  
Houston, Texas • NRG Stadium (71,795)  
Teams: SEC vs. Big 12



## BELK BOWL

Dec. 31 • Noon ET • ESPN  
Charlotte, N.C. • Bank of America Stadium (73,778)  
Teams: SEC vs. ACC



## BIRMINGHAM BOWL

Jan. 2 • 3 p.m. ET • ESPN  
Birmingham, Ala. • Legion Field (70,459)  
Teams: SEC vs. American



## WALK-ON'S INDEPENDENCE BOWL

Dec. 26 • 4 p.m. ET • ESPN  
Shreveport, La. • Independence Stadium (48,975)  
Teams: SEC vs. ACC





# SEC BOWL SUCCESS

## SEC IN THE BCS/CFP BOWL ERA

- The SEC has won nine of the last 13 national championships, 11 of the 21 BCS/CFP-era National Championships, five runner-up finishes and 25 overall national titles (AP, BCS, FWAA, coaches poll) in SEC history. The SEC has appeared in 12 of the last 13 National Championship Games and in 10 of the 16 BCS Championship Games, winning nine.
- Four different SEC schools have won the National Championship since 2006 (Auburn, 2010; Alabama, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2017; Florida, 2006 and 2008; LSU, 2007). Five programs have advanced to the national championship game since 2008 as Georgia met Alabama in the 2018 CFP Championship Game. Tennessee (1998) and LSU (2003) have also won the former BCS crown. Auburn appeared in the 2013 BCS Championship Game, as did LSU in 2011. A team from the SEC Western Division had advanced to five consecutive national championship games prior to the 2014 season, when Alabama lost in the CFP semifinals. The ACC (Clemson, Miami and Florida State) has had three schools win titles since 1998, while the Big 12 (Texas and Oklahoma) has had two.
- Eight different SEC teams, six from the SEC Western Division, have made BCS/ New Year's Six bowl game appearances since 2006: Alabama, Arkansas, Auburn, Florida, Georgia, LSU, Ole Miss and Mississippi State.

## NATIONAL CHAMPIONS SINCE 1992

Since the first SEC expansion in 1992, the SEC has the most national championships (AP, USA Today) with 13. During that time, the SEC has had more teams with national titles than any other conference (5). Here is a breakdown:

SEC (13) Florida (2008, 2006, 1996), LSU (2003, 2007), Tennessee (1998), Alabama (1992, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2017), Auburn (2010)

Big 12 (5) Texas (2005), Oklahoma (2000), Nebraska (1994, 1995, 1997)

ACC (5) Florida State (1993, 1999, 2013), Clemson (2016, 18)

Big Ten (3) Ohio State (2002, 2014), Michigan (1997)

Pac-10 (2) Southern California (2003, 2004)

Big East (1) Miami, Fla. (2001)

## SEC IN BOWL GAMES

- Since 2006, the SEC has accrued more bowl wins (76) and appearances (121) than any other conference. The conference's .628 bowl winning percentage is first among FBS leagues during that time.

SEC	82-51	.617
Sun Belt	25-17	.595
Mountain West	41-32	.562
Conference USA	41-36	.532
Pac-12	45-41	.523
American	40-37	.519
Independents	14-13	.519
Big 12	50-47	.515
ACC	59-63	.484
Big Ten	47-62	.431
MAC	17-50	.254

- The SEC is 6-3 in College Football Playoff games (not versus each other) and 1-2 in College Football Playoff National Championship Games (not versus each other). The SEC has appeared in four of the five CFP National Championship Games, winning two. The SEC finished 9-2 in BCS National Championship Games (LSU 2-1, Florida 2-0, Alabama 3-0, Tennessee 1-0, Auburn 1-1), 8-1 vs. non-SEC competition. The SEC had the most wins (17) and the highest winning percentage of any conference that has three-or-more appearances in BCS bowl games. The SEC was 17-10 in BCS games (.630 percentage), 16-9 (.640) in non-conference. Since 2006, the SEC has posted a 19-13 (.594) record in BCS/CFP games, more wins, appearances and winning percentage than any other A5 conference.
- With conference limits being removed in 2014 with the College Football Playoff, the SEC became the first conference to place three teams in CFP/BCS postseason bowls: Ole Miss (Chick-fil-A); Mississippi State (Orange); Alabama (Sugar/National Semifinal). The SEC sent four teams to New Year's Six bowl games for the first time in 2018, only the second time in the College Football Playoff era a league has accomplished that feat.





## SEC IN THE COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

### Teams in the Playoff (Record-Winning %)

SEC: 6 (7-4; .636) (Includes 2018 All-SEC National Championship Game)  
(6-3; .667 in games not versus each other)

ACC: 5 (5-3; .625)

Big Ten: 3 (2-2; .500)

Pac-12: 2 (1-2; .333)

Big 12: 3 (0-3; .000)

Independent: 1 (0-1; .000)

### National Championship Game Appearances

SEC: 5

ACC: 3

Big Ten: 1

Pac-12: 1

Big 12: 0

Since 2006, the SEC has posted 19 wins in BCS - now New Year's Six/Access bowls - more wins than any other conference. Here are the BCS/CFP bowl records of all conferences since 2006:

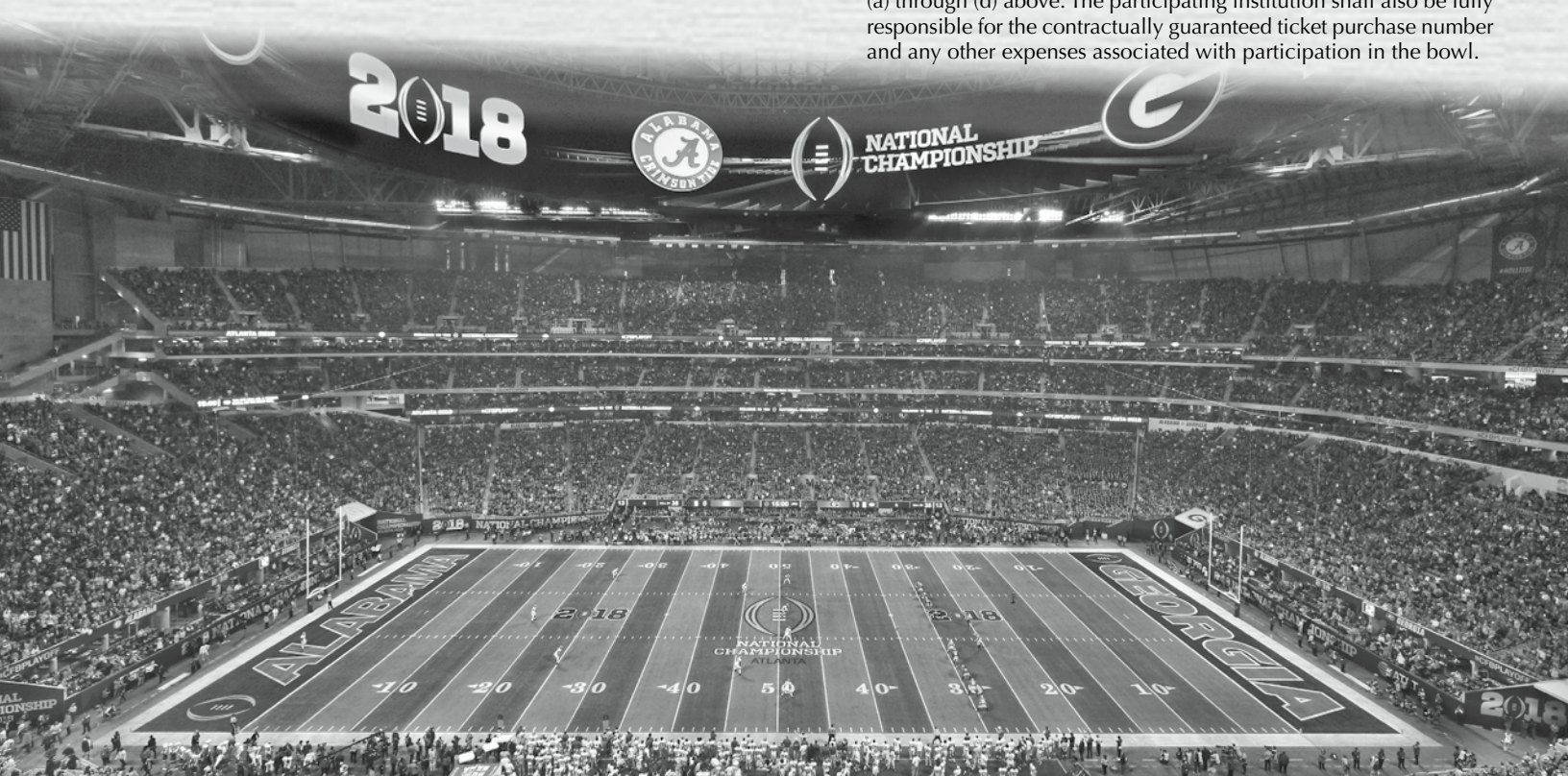
SEC	19-13	.594
Big Ten	14-15	.483
Pac-12	10-10	.500
ACC	10-11	.476
Big 12	8-12	.400
AAC	7-4	.636
Mountain West	3-1	.750
WAC	2-1	.667
MAC	0-2	.000
Independents	0-4	.000

### CFP Era (2014-Present) (Includes CFP Championship Game)

SEC	9-8	.529
Big Ten	9-6	.600
ACC	7-5	.583
Pac-12	3-4	.429
Big 12	3-4	.429
AAC	1-1	.500
Mountain West	1-0	1.000
MAC	0-1	.000
Independent	0-2	.000

## SEC BOWL REVENUE DISTRIBUTION

- For bowl games providing receipts which result in a balance of less than \$1,500,000, the participating institution shall retain \$1,050,000, plus a travel allowance as determined by the SEC Executive Committee. The remainder shall be remitted to the Commissioner and shall be divided into 15 equal shares with one share to the Conference and one share to each member institution.
- For bowl games providing receipts which result in a balance between \$1,500,000 and \$3,999,999, the participating institution shall retain \$1,325,000, plus a travel allowance as determined by the SEC Executive Committee. The remainder shall be remitted to the Commissioner and shall be divided into 15 equal shares, with one share to the Conference and one share to each member institution.
- For bowl games providing receipts which result in a balance between \$4,000,000 and \$5,999,999, the participating institution shall retain \$1,525,000, plus a travel allowance as determined by the SEC Executive Committee. The remainder shall be remitted to the Commissioner and shall be divided into 15 equal shares, with one share to the Conference and one share to each member institution.
- For bowl games providing receipts which result in a balance of \$6,000,000 or more and all College Football Playoff games, the participating institution shall receive \$2,050,000 (\$2,050,000 if the SEC team is a participant in the College Football Playoff semi-finals game; an additional \$2,150,000 if the SEC team is also a participant in the College Football Playoff championship game, which determines the National Champion), plus a travel allowance as determined by the SEC Executive Committee. Institutions participating in a College Football Playoff game may also request additional travel expenses, which may be granted to such institution at the Commissioner's discretion. The remainder shall be remitted to the Commissioner and shall be divided into 15 equal shares, with one share to the Conference and one share to each member institution.
- Bowl Revenue Protection Insurance shall be deducted prior to Conference distribution.
- The cost of unused tickets up to the contractually guaranteed ticket purchase number shall be deducted prior to Conference distribution., except as provided in subsection (g) below.
- For bowl games in which a member institution participates as an "alternate" (e.g., 5-7 team) under NCAA Postseason Bowl Game requirements, the participating institution shall retain all revenue distributed by the bowl. The participating institution shall not receive a base retainage or travel allowance as set forth in subsections (a) through (d) above. The participating institution shall also be fully responsible for the contractually guaranteed ticket purchase number and any other expenses associated with participation in the bowl.





# 2019 SEC BOWL SELECTION PROCESS

## CFP BOWLS

Peach (SF), Fiesta(SF), Sugar, Rose, Cotton, Orange, CFP Championship

### CONTRACT BOWLS:

- Sugar (SEC vs. Big 12 when Sugar is not a semifinal game)
- Rose (Pac 12 vs. Big Ten when Rose is not a semifinal game)
- Orange (ACC vs. highest ranked SEC/Big Ten non-champion or Notre Dame when Orange is not a semifinal game)

### ACCESS BOWLS:

- Fiesta (Semifinal in 2019)
- Peach (Semifinal in 2019)
- Cotton

#### 1) Which SEC Team qualifies for the CFP?

The winner of the SEC Championship Game automatically qualifies for a spot in the Sugar Bowl if that team is not selected to participate in the four-team playoff. If the SEC Champion is selected to participate in the four-team playoff it will play in the Peach Bowl or Fiesta Bowl.

#### 2) How can additional SEC teams be selected for the CFP?

Additional SEC teams may be selected for the CFP Semifinals (Peach or Fiesta) or one of the CFP access bowls (Cotton) based on its ranking in the final CFP Selection Committee rankings. There is no limit on the number of teams from any one conference that can be selected to participate in the CFP bowls.

#### 3) How can a SEC Team be selected to participate in the Orange Bowl?

When the Orange Bowl is not a semifinal game and a SEC team is the highest ranked team by the CFP Selection Committee among the non-champions of the SEC and Big Ten and ranked higher than Notre Dame after the CFP semifinal games have been filled, then that team will participate in the Orange Bowl. There are eight years in which the Orange Bowl is not a semifinal game and the SEC is guaranteed three of the eight years, the Big Ten is guaranteed three of the eight years and the remaining two years can be filled by Notre Dame, the SEC or the Big Ten based on CFP Selection Committee rankings. The SEC Champion can never participate in the Orange Bowl unless it is a semifinal game.

#### 4) How does the CFP selection process work in 2019-20?

The CFP Selection Committee ranks the top 25 teams and selects the four teams to participate in the semifinal games (Peach and Fiesta). Then, after the contract bowls (Sugar, Orange and Rose) are filled based on conference agreements, the Committee will assign teams to fill the remaining access bowls (Cotton). Each conference champion from the contract bowls (ACC, Big Ten, Big 12, SEC & Pac 12) has a guaranteed spot in its contracted bowl or in an access bowl (Cotton) if the contracted bowl is a semifinal game and the conference champion is not selected to participate in a semifinal game. The highest ranked champion from the Mountain West, American, Conference USA, Sun Belt or MAC is guaranteed a spot in a CFP bowl and the remaining spots are filled based on the rankings of teams after the contract bowls have been filled.

Bowl	Contract Teams	Date	Time	Network
Peach Bowl	Semifinal	Dec. 28, 2019	4 or 8 p.m. ET	ESPN
Fiesta Bowl	Semifinal	Dec. 28, 2019	4 or 8 p.m. ET	ESPN
Orange Bowl	ACC vs. SEC/Big Ten/ND	Dec. 30, 2019	8 p.m. ET	ESPN
Cotton Bowl	Filled by CFP Selection Committee	Dec. 28, 2019	Noon ET	ESPN
Rose Bowl	Big Ten vs. Pac-12	Jan. 1, 2020	5:00 pm ET	ESPN
Sugar Bowl	SEC vs. Big 12	Jan. 1, 2020	8:45 pm ET	ESPN
CFP NCG	Winners of Semifinal Games (New Orleans, La.)	Jan. 13, 2020	8:00 pm ET	ESPN

## SEC BOWLS

### CITRUS BOWL

(Orlando, FL) vs. Big 10 (or ACC) January 1, 2020 – 1 p.m. ET – ABC

After the CFP selection process the Citrus Bowl gets the first selection of available SEC Teams.

### POOL OF SIX BOWLS:

After the Citrus Bowl selects a team, there will be a pool of six bowls and the Conference, in consultation with the institutions and the bowls, will make the assignments for these six bowl games from all eligible SEC teams.

The pool of six bowls are as follows:

Texas Bowl (Houston, TX) vs. Big 12 – December 27 – 6:45 p.m. ET – ESPN

Belk Bowl (Charlotte, NC) vs. ACC – December 31 – Noon ET – ESPN

Music City Bowl (Nashville, TN) vs. ACC/Big Ten – December 30 – 4 p.m. ET – ESPN

TaxSlayer Gator Bowl (Jacksonville, FL) vs. Big Ten/ACC – Jan. 2 – 7 p.m. ET – ESPN

Liberty Bowl (Memphis, TN) vs. Big 12 – December 31– 3:45 p.m. ET – ESPN

Outback Bowl (Tampa, FL) vs. Big 10 – January 1 – 1 p.m. ET – ESPN

### BOWLS AFTER THE POOL OF SIX:

#### Birmingham Bowl

(Birmingham, AL) vs. American – January 2 – 3 p.m. ET – ESPN

The Birmingham Bowl selects after the CFP, Citrus Bowl and the Pool of Six Bowls (Outback Bowl, TaxSlayer Bowl, Music City Bowl, Texas Bowl, Belk Bowl and Liberty Bowl).

#### Independence Bowl

(Shreveport, LA) vs. ACC – December 26– 4 p.m. ET – ESPN

The Independence Bowl selects after the CFP, Citrus Bowl, the Pool of Six (Outback Bowl, TaxSlayer Bowl, Music City Bowl, Texas Bowl, Belk Bowl and Liberty Bowl) and the Birmingham Bowl.



# 2019-20 COLLEGE FOOTBALL BOWL SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME (ET)	GAME	TV
<b>Fri Dec 20</b>	2:00 p.m.	Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl	ESPN
	7:30 p.m.	Frisco Bowl	ESPN2
<b>Sat Dec 21</b>	12:00 p.m.	Celebration Bowl	ABC
	2:00 p.m.	New Mexico Bowl	ESPN
	2:30 pm	Cure Bowl	CBSSN
	3:30 pm	Boca Raton Bowl	ABC
	5:30 pm	Camellia Bowl	ESPN
	7:30 pm	Mitsubishi Motors Las Vegas Bowl	ABC
	9:00 pm	R+L Carriers New Orleans Bowl	ESPN
<b>Mon, Dec 23</b>	2:30 pm	Bad Boy Mowers Gasparilla Bowl	ESPN
<b>Tue, Dec 24</b>	8:00 pm	SoFi Hawai'i Bowl	ESPN
<b>Thu, Dec 26</b>	4:00 pm	Walk-On's Independence Bowl	ESPN
	8:00 pm	Walk-On's Quick Lane Bowl	ESPN
<b>Fri Dec 27</b>	12 noon	Military Bowl	ESPN
	3:20 pm	Pinstripe Bowl	ESPN
	6:45 pm	Academy Sports + Outdoors Texas Bowl	ESPN
	8:00 pm	SDCCU Holiday Bowl	FS1
	10:15 pm	Cheez-It Bowl	ESPN
<b>Sat Dec 28</b>	12 noon	Camping World Bowl	ABC
	12 noon	Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic	ESPN
	4 or 8 pm	Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl	ESPN
	4 or 8 pm	Playstation Fiesta Bowl	ESPN
<b>Mon Dec 30</b>	12:30 pm	SERVPRO First Responder Bowl	ESPN
	4:00 pm	Redbox Bowl	FOX
	4:00 pm	Franklin American Mortgage Music City Bowl	ESPN
	8:00 pm	Capital One Orange Bowl	ESPN
<b>Tue Dec 31</b>	12 noon	Belk Bowl	ESPN
	2:00 p.m.	Hyundai Sun Bowl	CBS
	3:45 pm	AutoZone Liberty Bowl	ESPN
	4:30 pm	Arizona Bowl	CBSSN
	7:30 pm	Valero Alamo Bowl	ESPN
<b>Wed Jan 1</b>	1:00 pm	Citrus Bowl	ABC
	1:00 pm	Outback Bowl	ESPN
	5:00 pm	Rose Bowl Game	ESPN
	8:45 pm	Allstate Sugar Bowl	ESPN
<b>Thu Jan 2</b>	3:00 pm	Birmingham Bowl	ESPN
	7:00 pm	Tax Slayer Gator Bowl	ESPN
<b>Fri Jan 3</b>	3:30 pm	Famous Idaho Potato Bowl	ESPN
<b>Sat Jan 4</b>	11:30 am	Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl	ESPN
<b>Mon Jan 6</b>	7:30 pm	Mobile Alabama Bowl	ESPN
<b>Mon Jan 13</b>	8:00 pm	CFP National Championship	ESPN





# COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

## EVERY GAME COUNTS

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

## FOUR TEAMS

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.

## TRADITION

The New Year's holiday period belongs to college football, with two semifinal games rotating annually among the Cotton Bowl, Fiesta Bowl, Orange Bowl, Peach Bowl, Rose Bowl and Sugar Bowl.

## CHAMPIONSHIP MONDAY

The two winning teams from 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.

## UNIVERSAL ACCESS

Every Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) team has equal access to the College Football Playoff based on its performance. No team automatically qualifies.

## GOVERNANCE

University presidents and chancellors from all 10 FBS conferences and Notre Dame serve as the board of managers and govern the administrative operations, with commissioners (the Management Committee) managing the event. A small staff in the playoff office in Irving, Texas, carries out the day-to-day responsibilities.

## SELECTION COMMITTEE

A talented group of high-integrity individuals with experience as coaches, student-athletes, college administrators and journalists, along with sitting athletics directors, comprise the selection committee. Members of the committee are Rob Mullens (chair), Gary Barta, Frank Beamer, Paola Boivin, Joe Castiglione, Ken Hatfield, Chris Howard, Ronnie Lott, Terry Mohajir, Ray Odierno, R.C. Slocum, Todd Stansbury and Scott Stricklin.

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## SELECTION COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES



- Rank the top 25 teams and assign the top four to semifinals sites.
- Assign teams to New Year's bowls.
  - Create competitive matchups.
  - Attempt to avoid rematches of regular-season games and repeat appearances in specific bowls.
  - Consider geography.

## PARTICIPANTS IN THE NEW YEAR'S BOWLS

Both participants in the Orange, Rose and Sugar Bowls are contracted outside the playoff arrangement (Big Ten and Pac-12 to Rose Bowl; SEC and Big 12 to Sugar Bowl; ACC to Orange Bowl against the highest-ranked available team from the SEC, Big Ten and Notre Dame). If a conference champion qualifies for the playoff, then the bowl will choose a replacement from that conference. When those bowls host the semifinals and their contracted conference champions do not qualify, then the displaced champion(s) will play in one of the other New Year's bowls.

When not hosting semifinals, the Cotton, Fiesta and Peach Bowls will welcome displaced conference champions and the top-ranked champion from a non-contract conference. The highest-ranked available teams will fill any other berths. The selection committee will make the pairings.

## SCHEDULE

							
2019-20	<b>COTTON</b> (DEC. 28)	<b>ORANGE</b> (DEC. 30)	<b>SEMIFINAL</b> (DEC. 28)	<b>SEMIFINAL</b> (DEC. 28)	<b>ROSE</b> (JAN. 1)	<b>SUGAR</b> (JAN. 1)	<b>NEW ORLEANS</b> (JAN. 13)
2020-21	<b>COTTON</b> (DEC. 30)	<b>ORANGE</b> (JAN. 2)	<b>FIESTA</b> (JAN. 2)	<b>PEACH</b> (JAN. 1)	<b>SEMIFINAL</b> (JAN. 1)	<b>SEMIFINAL</b> (JAN. 1)	<b>MIAMI</b> (JAN. 11)

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