

Projected 2026 NCAA Basketball Tournament Bracket

1-3-1 Sports

Midwest
Chicago

West
San Jose

South
Houston

East
Washington, D.C.

1-3-1 Sports

First Round
March 19 - 20

Second Round
March 21 - 22

Sweet 16
March 26 - 27

Elite 8
Mar. 28 - 29

Final Four
April 4

Championship
April 6

Final Four
April 4

Elite 8
Mar. 28 - 29

Sweet 16
March 26 - 27

Second Round
March 21 - 22

First Round
March 19 - 20

1 Michigan

16 Merrimack/Beth-Cook

8 SMU

9 UCF

5 Alabama

12 Liberty

4 Virginia

13 NC-Wilmington

6 Saint Louis

11 UCLA/Santa Clara

3 Texas Tech

14 California Baptist

7 Clemson

10 USC

2 Iowa State

15 Wright State

1 Connecticut

16 Long Island

8 NC State

9 Indiana

5 North Carolina

12 Belmont

4 Michigan State

13 High Point

6 BYU

11 Texas

3 Kansas

14 Portland State

7 Villanova

10 Georgia

2 Illinois

15 Austin Peay

Buffalo

Portland

San Diego

St. Louis

Philadelphia

Philadelphia

Greenville

St. Louis

San Diego

Portland

Tampa

Oklahoma City

Greenville

Tampa

Buffalo

Oklahoma City

Arizona

UMBC/Morgan St.

Utah State

Miami (FL)

Arkansas

Yale

Gonzaga

Hawaii

Louisville

Missouri/San Diego St.

Florida

East Tennessee State

Kentucky

St. Mary's (CA)

Nebraska

South Alabama

Duke

UT Martin

Iowa

Auburn

St. John's

South Florida

Vanderbilt

Stephen F. Austin

Tennessee

Miami (OH)

Purdue

North Dakota State

Wisconsin

Texas A&M

Houston

Navy