

Projected 2026 NCAA Basketball Tournament Bracket

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First Round	Second Round	Sweet 16	Elite 8	Final Four	Championship	Final Four	Elite 8	Sweet 16	Second Round	First Round
March 19 - 20	March 21 - 22	March 26 - 27	Mar. 28 - 29	April 4	April 6	April 4	Mar. 28 - 29	March 26 - 27	March 21 - 22	March 19 - 20
1 Duke										Michigan 1
16 LIU/Bethune-Cookman	Greenville								Buffalo	Southeast Missouri St. 16
8 Iowa										UCF 8
9 Texas										Clemson 9
5 Arkansas										Alabama 5
12 South Florida	Philadelphia								Tampa	Belmont 12
4 Michigan State										Virginia 4
13 High Point										Stephen F. Austin 13
6 North Carolina		East Washington, D.C.						Midwest Chicago		Wisconsin 6
11 Santa Clara/Indiana	Greenville								Tampa	TCU 11
3 Kansas										Florida 3
14 Austin Peay										East Tennessee State 14
7 Villanova										Saint Louis 7
10 Miami (OH)	Buffalo								Oklahoma City	Texas A&M 10
2 Illinois										Houston 2
15 Navy										Portland State 15
1 Connecticut										Arizona 1
16 App State	Philadelphia								San Diego	UMBC/Howard 16
8 Miami (FL)										Utah State 8
9 St. Mary's (CA)										SMU 9
5 St. John's										Tennessee 5
12 Liberty	Portland								San Diego	Yale 12
4 Vanderbilt		South Houston						West San Jose		Texas Tech 4
13 North Dakota State										NC-Wilmington 13
6 Louisville										BYU 6
11 Missouri	Oklahoma City								Portland	Auburn/New Mexico 11
3 Nebraska										Gonzaga 3
14 California Baptist										UC Irvine 14
7 Kentucky										NC State 7
10 UCLA	St. Louis								St. Louis	Georgia 10
2 Iowa State										Purdue 2
15 Merrimack										Wright State 15

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