



# BIG WEST CONFERENCE

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## **Big West Releases 2018-19 ESPN Men's Basketball Schedule**

**IRVINE, CA** – Big West Conference Commissioner Dennis Farrell today announced that ESPN will televise a minimum of 17 men's basketball games across its national cable networks during the 2018-19 season.

Five regular season Big West contests will appear on ESPN2 or ESPNU, utilizing a "Wild Card" format to determine pairings three weeks prior to each game. Three ESPNU games will be played on January 31, February 21 and February 28. ESPN2 or ESPNU will air February 9 and February 16 matchups.

The Big West Tournament semifinals and championship will be available across a variety of platforms at Honda Center. The Friday, March 15 semifinals will appear on ESPN3 and ESPNU. The 6:30 p.m. (PDT) game will be shown live on ESPN3 and via tape delay at 11:00 p.m. (PDT) on ESPNU. The second semifinal will be shown live on ESPN3 and ESPNU. Championship game coverage will begin on ESPN2 at 9:00 p.m. (PDT) on Saturday, March 16.

In addition to the conference and tournament exposures, nine additional non-conference contests will be aired on an ESPN network.

Cal State Fullerton and Hawai'i will combine to compete in three ESPN Events' owned-and-operated eight-team tournaments to comprise the nine games. The Titans will participate in the Myrtle Beach Invitational while the Rainbow Warriors will play in both the Wooden Legacy and as hosts of the Hawaiian Airlines Diamond Head Classic. Each tournament will feature three games on either ESPN2, ESPNU or ESPN3.

All games aired on an ESPN network will also be available through the ESPN App, accessible on computers, smartphones, tablets and connected devices to fans who receive their video subscription through an affiliated provider.

The Big West's digital ESPN3 men's and women's basketball package will be announced in the near future.

The 2018-19 season begins on Tuesday, November 6.

# 2018-19 ESPN BIG WEST BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Contest</u>	<u>Tipoff (PST)</u>	<u>Network</u>
<b>MYRTLE BEACH INVITATIONAL • MYRTLE BEACH, S.C.</b>			
Thursday, November 15	Cal State Fullerton vs. UCF	10:30 am	ESPN3
Friday, November 16	Cal State Fullerton vs. Saint Joseph's/Wake Forest	8:00/10:30 am	ESPN2/ESPNU
Sunday, November 18	Cal State Fullerton vs. TBD	TBD	ESPN2/ESPNU/ESPN3
<b>WOODEN LEGACY • FULLERTON, CALIF.</b>			
Thursday, November 22	Hawai'i vs. Utah	8:30 pm	ESPN2
Friday, November 23	Hawai'i vs. Seton Hall/Grand Canyon	6:00/8:30 pm	ESPN2/ESPN3
Sunday, November 25	Hawai'i vs. TBD	TBD	ESPN2/ESPNU/ESPN3
<b>HAWAIIAN AIRLINES DIAMOND HEAD CLASSIC • HONOLULU, HAWAI'I</b>			
Saturday, December 22	UNLV at Hawai'i	2 pm	ESPNU
Sunday, December 23	Indiana State/Colorado at Hawai'i	1:30/4:00 pm	ESPN2/ESPNU
Tuesday, December 25	TBD at Hawai'i	TBD	ESPN2/ESPNU
<b>BIG WEST CONFERENCE REGULAR SEASON GAMES</b>			
Saturday, January 31	<b>Wild Card game selected from:</b> UC Irvine at UC Santa Barbara Cal Poly at UC Riverside Long Beach State at Hawai'i	8:00 pm	ESPNU
Saturday, February 9	<b>Wild Card game selected from:</b> UC Davis at UC Santa Barbara Long Beach State at Cal Poly Hawai'i at UC Irvine Cal State Fullerton at UC Riverside	9:00 pm	ESPN2/U
Saturday, February 16	<b>Wild Card game selected from:</b> UC Santa Barbara at UC Irvine Long Beach State at UC Davis Cal State Fullerton at CSUN UC Riverside at Hawai'i	9:00 pm	ESPN2/U
Thursday, February 21	<b>Wild Card game selected from:</b> Hawai'i at UC Santa Barbara Cal Poly at UC Irvine UC Davis at Cal State Fullerton	8:00 pm	ESPNU
Thursday, February 28	<b>Wild Card game selected from:</b> Long Beach State at UC Santa Barbara Cal Poly at Cal State Fullerton UC Irvine at UC Davis	8:00 pm	ESPNU
<b>BIG WEST TOURNAMENT • HONDA CENTER</b>			
Friday, March 15	Men's Semifinal #1	6:30 pm 11:00 pm	ESPN3 (live) ESPNU (tape delay)
	Men's Semifinal #2	9:00 pm	ESPNU (live)
Saturday, March 16	Men's Championship	9:00 pm	ESPN2