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POPEYES BAHAMAS BOWL IMPORTANT MEDIA DATES

- NOW**..... Online media credential applications begin at: sportsystems.com/bahamasbowl
- Dec. 2**..... Press Conference (Atlantis Bahamas) Noon-12:45 p.m.
- Dec. 9**..... Credential applications close
- Dec. 19**..... Team Arrivals
- Dec. 20-22**..... Team Practices
- Dec. 22**..... Press Conference (Thomas A. Robinson National Stadium): 11 a.m.-Noon
- Dec. 23**..... 2016 Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (1 p.m. ET; TARNS - ESPN)

POPEYES BAHAMAS BOWL WEEK 13 NOTEBOOK

PASSPORT STAMPED (BOWL-ELIGIBLE TEAMS): AAC (7): Houston (9-2), USF (9-2), Navy (8-2; will play in Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl), Temple (8-3), Tulsa (8-3), Memphis (7-4), UCF (6-5); C-USA (4): Louisiana Tech (8-3), WKU (8-3), Old Dominion (8-3), Middle Tennessee (7-4); MAC (6): Western Michigan (11-0), Toledo (9-2), Ohio (8-4), Eastern Michigan (7-5), Central Michigan (6-6), Miami (6-6). **AT CUSTOMS (ONE VICTORY SHY):** AAC (1): SMU (5-6); C-USA (3): North Texas (5-6), Southern Miss (5-6), UTSA (5-6).

THIS WEEK: Week 13 got underway Tuesday night in the MAC as Miami (6-6, 6-2) beat Ball State (4-8, 1-7) 21-20 to gain bowl eligibility. The RedHawks became the first FBS team to start 0-6, and then win the final six games of a season. Ohio (8-4, 6-2) clinched the MAC East after a 9-3 victory over Akron (5-7, 3-5). Friday in Conference USA, Southern Miss (5-6, 3-4) needs one win to be bowl eligible as they host West Division champ Louisiana Tech (8-3, 6-1). Saturday in the American, SMU (5-6, 3-4) needs a home victory over West Division champion Navy (8-2, 6-1) to be bowl eligible. The AAC East will be decided between Temple and USF as the Owls (8-3, 6-1) host East Carolina (3-8, 1-6) and the Bulls (9-2, 6-1) host UCF (6-5, 4-3). A Temple victory would give them the East title. In C-USA, both North Texas and UTSA can reach bowl eligibility with victories as the Mean Green (5-6, 3-4) travels to UTEP (3-8, 1-6) and the Roadrunners (5-6, 4-3) host Charlotte (4-7, 3-4). WKU (8-3, 6-1) can clinch the C-USA East with a road win at Marshall (3-8, 2-5). Old Dominion (8-3, 6-1) needs a victory over FIU (4-7, 4-3) and a WKU loss to capture the East. In the MAC, Western Michigan (11-0, 7-0) hosts Toledo (9-2, 6-1) in a game that will decide the MAC West title.

POLLING PLACE: Western Michigan (MAC) is No. 14 in the Associated Press Poll, No. 18 in the Amway Coaches' Poll and No. 21 in the College Football Playoff Rankings after Week 12. Houston (AAC) is No. 18 in the AP, No. 21 in the Coaches and No. 20 in the CFP. Navy (AAC) is No. 25 in the CFP. Navy, USF (AAC) and Temple (AAC) are receiving votes in the AP poll. Receiving votes in the Coaches' Poll are Navy, USF and Tulsa (AAC).

AAC STANDINGS



EAST DIVISION

	AAC	Overall
* Temple	6-1	8-3
* USF	6-1	9-2
* UCF	4-3	6-5
Cincinnati	1-6	4-7
East Carolina	1-6	3-8
UConn	1-6	3-8

WEST DIVISION

	AAC	Overall
*# Navy	6-1	8-2
* Houston	5-2	9-2
* Tulsa	5-2	8-3
* Memphis	4-3	7-4
SMU	3-4	5-6
Tulane	0-7	3-8

* - bowl eligible # - clinched division

C-USA STANDINGS



EAST DIVISION

	C-USA	Overall
* WKU	6-1	8-3
* Old Dominion	6-1	8-3
* Middle Tennessee	4-3	7-4
FIU	4-3	4-7
Charlotte	3-4	4-7
Florida Atlantic	2-5	3-8
Marshall	2-5	3-8

WEST DIVISION

	C-USA	Overall
*# Louisiana Tech	6-1	8-3
UTSA	4-3	5-6
North Texas	3-4	5-6
Southern Miss	3-4	5-6
Rice	2-6	3-8
UTEP	1-6	3-8

* - bowl eligible # - clinched division

MAC STANDINGS



EAST DIVISION

	MAC	Overall
*# Ohio	6-2	8-4
* Miami	6-2	6-6
Akron	3-5	5-7
Bowling Green	2-5	3-8
Kent State	2-5	3-8
Buffalo	1-6	2-9

WEST DIVISION

	MAC	Overall
* Western Michigan	7-0	11-0
* Toledo	6-1	9-2
Northern Illinois	4-3	4-7
* Eastern Michigan	4-4	7-5
* Central Michigan	3-5	6-6
Ball State	1-7	4-8

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WEEK 13 SCHEDULE

AMERICAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Friday, Nov. 25

- * Houston at Memphis (ABC)
- * Cincinnati at Tulsa (ESPN2)

Saturday, Nov. 26

- * UCF at USF (CBSSN)
- * Navy at SMU (ESPN)
- * Tulane at UConn (ESPNews)
- * East Carolina at Temple (ESPNews)

CONFERENCE USA

Friday, Nov. 25

- * Louisiana Tech at Southern Miss (ESPNews)

Saturday, Nov. 26

- * FIU at Old Dominion (ESPN3)
- * North Texas at UTEP (CUSATV)
- * FAU at Middle Tennessee (beIN)
- * Charlotte at UTSA (CUSATV)
- * WKU at Marshall (ESPNU)
- Rice at Stanford (P12N)

MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Tuesday, Nov. 22

- * Ohio 9, Akron 3
- * Miami 21, Ball State 20
- * Eastern Michigan 26, Central Michigan 21

Saturday, Nov. 26

- * Northern Illinois at Kent State (CBSSN)
- * Buffalo at Bowling Green (ESPN3)
- * Toledo at Western Michigan (ESPN2)
- * - conference games

“POWER FIVE” VICTORIES

A list of American, C-USA and MAC victories over “Power Five” opponents (teams from the ACC, Big Ten, Big 12, Pac-12 and SEC).

Team (Conference)	Opponent	Score
Sept. 3		
Houston (AAC)	Oklahoma (Big 12)	33-23
Southern Miss (C-USA)	Kentucky (SEC)	44-35
Western Michigan (MAC)	Northwestern (Big Ten)	22-21
Sept. 10		
Cincinnati (AAC)	Purdue (Big Ten)	38-10
Central Michigan (MAC)	Oklahoma State (Big 12)	30-27
East Carolina (AAC)	N.C. State (ACC)	33-30
Ohio (MAC)	Kansas (Big 12)	37-21
Sept. 17		
Memphis (AAC)	Kansas (Big 12)	43-7
UConn (AAC)	Virginia (ACC)	13-10
USF (AAC)	Syracuse (ACC)	45-20
Western Michigan (MAC)	Illinois (Big Ten)	34-10
Oct. 22		
Middle Tennessee (C-USA)	Missouri (SEC)	51-45
Nov. 17		
Houston (AAC)	Louisville (ACC)	36-10

WEEK 12 RESULTS

AMERICAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Thursday, Nov. 17

Houston 36, Louisville 10

Friday, Nov. 18

* Memphis 34, Cincinnati 7

Saturday, Nov. 19

Boston College 30, UConn 0
 * Temple 31, Tulane 0
 * Navy 66, East Carolina 31
 * USF 35, SMU 27
 * Tulsa 35, UCF 20

CONFERENCE USA

Saturday, Nov. 19

* Rice 44, UTEP 44
 * Middle Tennessee 38, Charlotte 31
 * North Texas 29, Southern Miss 23
 * Old Dominion 42, Florida Atlantic 24
 * FIU 31, Marshall 14
 Texas A&M 23, UTSA 10

MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Tuesday, Nov. 15

* Bowling Green 42, Kent State 7
 * Central Michigan 27, Ohio 20

Wednesday, Nov. 16

* Toledo 37, Ball State 19
 * Northern Illinois 31, Eastern Michigan 24 (OT)

Saturday, Nov. 19

* Western Michigan 38, Buffalo 0
 * - conference games

SATURDAYS TO SUNDAYS

Four players who saw action in the Popeyes Bahamas Bowl are currently on active 53-man NFL rosters in 2016.

- S Kevin Byard - Tennessee (Middle Tennessee)
- S Kavon Frazier - Dallas (Central Michigan)
- TE Tyler Higbee - Los Angeles (WKU)
- DE Leterrius Watson - Pittsburgh (Central Michigan)

AROUND THE CONFERENCES

In the American, With 15 straight home wins, Navy and Houston are tied for the longest home field winning streak nationally.

in C-USA, UTEP senior RB Aaron Jones is one of 10 semifinalists for the Doak Walker Award, given to the nation’s top RB. He has rushed for over 200 yards twice this season.

In the MAC, Toledo QB Logan Woodside leads the nation with 40 passing touchdowns. He is second in FBS in passing efficiency with a 185.6 rating.

WEEK 12 INDIVIDUAL HONORS

AMERICAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Offensive Player of the Week

Navy QB Will Worth: The senior rushed for 159 yards and four TDs on 28 carries and threw for 113 yards in a 66-31 victory at East Carolina.

Defensive Player of the Week

Houston LB Steven Taylor: The senior had a game-high 14 tackles with 2.5 sacks and a forced fumble in a 36-10 win over Louisville.

Special Teams Player of the Week

Houston K Ty Cummings: The senior scored 10 points on two field goals and four PATs in a 36-10 victory over Louisville.

CONFERENCE USA

Offensive Player of the Week

Old Dominion QB David Washington: The senior threw for 416 yards and five touchdowns in a 42-24 victory at Florida Atlantic.

Defensive Player of the Week

North Texas DB Nate Brooks: The sophomore had six tackles, two interceptions and a forced fumble in a 29-23 victory over Southern Miss.

Special Teams Player of the Week

North Texas K Trevor Moore: The junior made a pair of field goals and three PATs in a 29-23 victory over Southern Miss.

MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East Division Offensive Player of the Week

Bowling Green OL Tim McAuliffe: The junior led the offensive line as the Falcons rushed for 420 yards in a 42-7 victory over Kent State.

East Division Defensive Player of the Week

Ohio LB Quentin Poling: The junior had eight tackles (seven solo), two tackles for loss and a quarterback hurry in a loss at Central Michigan.

East Division Special Teams Player of the Week

Kent State P Derek Adams: The freshman placed four punts inside the 20 and averaged 42.3 yards per punt in a loss at Bowling Green.

West Division Offensive Player of the Week

Western Michigan QB Zach Terrell: The senior threw for 445 yards and four touchdowns in a 38-0 victory over Buffalo.

West Division Defensive Player of the Week

Central Michigan DL Joe Ostman: The junior had eight tackles (three for a loss) and two sacks in a 27-20 victory over Ohio.

West Division Special Teams Player of the Week

Toledo PR Corey Jones: The senior returned a punt 63 yards for a touchdowns in a 37-19 victory over Ball State.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Each week in 2016, the Popeyes Bahamas Bowl will spotlight an alumni player from each of our partner conferences: the American Athletic Conference, Conference USA and the Mid-American Conference.

BRESHAD PERRIMAN (UCF)



Current NFL wide receiver **Breshad Perriman** was a 2014 first-team All-American Athletic Conference performer during his college career at UCF from 2012-14.

Perriman was a three-year starter for the Knights. He posted 115 receptions for 2,243 yards and 16 touchdowns during his three-year career. His career 19.5 yards per reception is first all-time in UCF history.

As a junior, Perriman was a first-time All-American Athletic Conference selection after having 50 receptions for 1,044 yards and nine touchdowns, including a streak of seven straight games with a TD catch. His 51-yard TD reception on a Hail Mary pass helped UCF defeat East Carolina and gave the Knights the 2014 American title.

In his sophomore season, Perriman led UCF with 20.8 yards per catch on the way to College Football News All-Sophomore Honorable Mention honors. He caught 39 passes for 811 yards and four touchdowns, including three TDs in the final four games of the season.

As a true freshman in 2012, he was named to the Conference USA All-Freshman team after posting 26 receptions for 388 yards and three touchdowns.

He was selected in the first round (No. 26 overall) of the 2015 NFL Draft by the Baltimore Ravens. He injured his knee during the club's first training camp practice, and he would eventually be placed on injured reserve, ending his season.

After suffering a partial torn ACL during 2016 OTA workouts, Perriman finally made his NFL debut in Week 1, making a reception for 35 yards against Buffalo. Through Week 11, he has 20 catches for 280 yards and one TD.

POPEYES BAHAMAS BOWL MEDIA PROJECTIONS

Media Organization (Reporter) - Date:	Predicted Matchup
10thYearSeniors.com (John Marc Nutt) - Nov. 23:	Tulsa vs. Eastern Michigan
Nassau Tribune (Renaldo Dorsett) - Nov. 23:	Louisiana Tech vs. Memphis
USA Today (Erick Smith) - Nov. 23:	North Texas vs. Central Michigan
SI.com (Colin Becht) - Nov. 22:	SMU vs. Miami (Ohio)
Athlon Sports (Steven Lissan) - Nov. 22:	Eastern Michigan vs. North Texas
Gridiron Now (Mike Huguenin) - Nov. 22:	Miami (OH) vs. Old Dominion
Bleacher Report (Kerry Miller) - Nov. 22:	Tulsa vs. Ohio
CBSsports.com (Jerry Palm) - Nov. 22:	Louisiana Tech vs. Miami (OH)
ESPN.com (Brett McMurphy) - Nov. 22:	North Texas vs. Tulsa
ESPN.com (Mark Schlabach) - Nov. 22:	WKU vs. Memphis
SB Nation (Jason Kirk) - Nov. 22:	Tulsa vs. Miami (OH)
FOXSports.com (Stuart Mandel) - Nov. 22:	Memphis vs. Miami (Ohio)
The Sporting News (Bill Bender) - Nov. 22:	Temple vs. Southern Miss
Phil Steele Magazine (Phil Steele) - Nov. 22:	Old Dominion vs. Ohio
CollegeFootballNews.com (Pete Fiutak) - Nov. 20:	UTSA vs. Miami (Ohio)
Campus Insiders (Dave Miller) - Nov. 20:	USF vs. Toledo
Orlando Sentinel (Brant Parsons) - Nov. 20:	Ohio vs. ULL
Sports on Earth (Matt Brown) - Aug. 22:	Memphis vs. Northern Illinois

ESPN EVENTS

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ESPN Events also manages the Big 12 Corporate Partner Program.

Collegiate Football

AdvoCare Texas Kickoff (Houston); AdvoCare V100 Texas Bowl (Houston); Air Force Reserve Celebration Bowl (Atlanta); Birmingham Bowl (Alabama); Boca Raton Bowl (Florida); Camping World Kickoff (Orlando, Fla.); Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise); Gildan New Mexico Bowl (Albuquerque); Hawai'i Bowl (Honolulu); Las Vegas Bowl (Nevada); Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl (Dallas-Fort Worth); MEAC/SWAC Challenge (Orlando, Fla.); Montgomery Kickoff Classic (Montgomery, Ala.); Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (Nassau); Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.); St. Petersburg Bowl (Florida); The Home Depot College Football Awards (Atlanta) and Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl (Dallas-Fort Worth)

Collegiate Basketball

AdvoCare Invitational (Walt Disney World Resort near Orlando, Fla.); College Basketball Awards Presented by Wendy's (Los Angeles); Gildan Charleston Classic (South Carolina); Hawaiian Airlines Diamond Head Classic (Honolulu); Jimmy V Men's Classic presented by Corona (New York City); Jimmy V Women's Classic presented by Corona (Uncasville, Conn.); NIT Season Tip-Off (Brooklyn, N.Y.); PK80 (Portland, Ore.); State Farm Armed Forces Classic (Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Honolulu); State Farm Champions Classic (New York City); Tire Pros Invitational (Orlando, Fla.) and Wooden Legacy (Orange County, Calif.)

