

## **BIG WEST CONFERENCE**

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## Prime Ticket Releases Big West Basketball Schedule

**IRVINE, CA –** Prime Ticket, the official regional telecast home of Big West Conference basketball, announced that 14 games will be featured on the network for the 2017-18 season.

The slate will include four men's quarterfinal games and the women's basketball championship game at Honda Center, which will serve as host site of the Big West Basketball Tournament for the eighth straight year. The first two games of the men's quarterfinals will be televised on FOX Sports West, while the last two will appear on Prime Ticket.

Nine regular season conference games will highlight the network's coverage with FOX Sports West beginning the slate on Wednesday, Jan. 10 as CSUN battles Long Beach State inside the Walter Pyramid.

Last year's regular season champion, UC Irvine, makes its first appearance in the package on Thursday, Jan. 11. Winners of 20 or more games for five straight seasons, the Anteaters host Orange County rival Cal State Fullerton on FOX Sports West.

The Titans are coming off an appearance in the CollegeInsider.com Tournament in which they hosted a postseason game for the first time in school history. Fullerton welcomes UC Santa Barbara to Titan Gym for a Thursday, Jan. 25 matchup on FOX Sports West.

Prime Ticket will televise four consecutive games beginning Wednesday, Jan. 31 with the "Black and Blue" rivalry between UC Irvine and Long Beach State at Walter Pyramid.

The Beach will host at least one more game, that being the Saturday, Feb. 10 contest against Cal Poly.

Hawai'i travels to UC Riverside for another Prime Ticket matchup on Saturday, Feb. 17, while UC Santa Barbara travels to UC Irvine on Thursday, Feb. 22.

Two "Wild Card" matchups also fill the schedule, allowing FOX to select an available game approximately 3-4 weeks prior to competition. The two Saturday "Wild Card" game dates are Jan. 20 and Mar. 3 on FOX Sports West.

The regular season buildup blends into March Madness and the 43rd edition of the Big West Men's Basketball Tournament. The four men's quarterfinal games will take place on Thursday, Mar. 8. The women's basketball championship game will tip at 4:00 p.m. (PT) on Prime Ticket Saturday, Mar. 10, with the winner cutting down the nets and earning the right to represent the Big West in the NCAA Tournament.

"We expect another wide open and entertaining conference race and several schools should be in position to compete for the title," said Big West Conference Commissioner Dennis Farrell. "This looks to be another exciting package on Prime Ticket and FOX Sports West."

In addition to telecast coverage on FOX Sports West and Prime Ticket, all games on the two regional sports networks will also be available on FOX Sports GO. The FOX Sports GO app is currently available for iOS, Apple TV, Android, Android TV, Fire tablets and Fire phones, Roku players and Roku TV, Xbox One, select Windows devices, and online at FOXSportsGO.com. Fans can download the mobile app for free from the iTunes App Store, Google Play, Amazon App Store and Windows Store. Users will need to verify their credentials by signing-in with their pay-TV provider's User ID and Password.

# FOX Prime Ticket/West Basketball Schedule

### **MEN'S SCHEDULE**

DAY	DATE	MATCH-UP	TIME (PT)	NETWORK
Wed.	January 10	CSUN at Long Beach State	7:30 PM	Fox Sports West
Thur.	January 11	Cal State Fullerton at UC Irvine	7:30 PM	Fox Sports West
Sat.	January 20	Wild Card game selected from:	7:30 PM	Fox Sports West
		Cal Poly at CSUN		
		Cal State Fullerton at Long Beach State		
Thur.	January 25	UC Santa Barbara at Cal State Fullerton	7:30 PM	Fox Sports West
Wed.	January 31	UC Irvine at Long Beach State	7:30 PM	Prime Ticket
Sat.	February 10	Cal Poly at Long Beach State	8:00 PM	Prime Ticket
Sat.	February 17	Hawai'i at UC Riverside	7:30 PM	Prime Ticket
Thur.	February 22	UC Santa Barbara at UC Irvine	7:30 PM	Prime Ticket
Sat.	March 3	Wild Card game selected from:	7:30 PM	Fox Sports West
		UC Davis at UC Irvine		
		UC Riverside at Long Beach State		
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Thur.	March 8	Men's Quarterfinal #1	12:00 PM	Fox Sports West
Thur.	March 8	Men's Quarterfinal #2	2:30 PM	Fox Sports West
Thur.	March 8	Men's Quarterfinal #3	10:30 PM (delayed)	Prime Ticket
Thur.	March 8	Men's Quarterfinal #4	8:30 PM	Prime Ticket
WOMEN'S SCHEDULE				
DAY	DATE	MATCH-UP	TIME (PT)	NETWORK
Sat.	March 10	Tournament Championship Game	4:00 PM	Prime Ticket