

NEWS RELEASE

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MEAC ANNOUNCES MEN'S BASKETBALL POTENTIAL TIE-BREAKER SCENARIOS

NORFOLK, Va. - Five teams (Bethune-Cookman, Hampton, Norfolk State, North Carolina A&T State, Savannah State) are currently tied for first place in the MEAC men's basketball standings. All five teams are in action as the race for the MEAC's top seed will be decided after tonight's contests. In the event of a tie for the Conference title, all teams included in the tie will share the title and named Co-Champions as the below scenarios outlines the potential four and three-way ties.

The team that claims the top seed will also earn the MEAC's automatic bid to the National Invitational Tournament (NIT) and will participate in the tournament if not selected to the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship.

The full 2018 MEAC Tournament bracket will be announced on MEACSPORTS.com on late Thursday night.

TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURE

Multiple-team tie (3 or more)

- a) Team the with best winning percentage vs. all tied teams. Once the top team is selected, the remaining teams are based on their record amongst the original tied teams. In case of tied percentages, 3-0 is better than 2-0 and 2-0 is better than 1-0
- **b)** Conference-only record based on winning percentage vs. highest-ranked team in conference standings, continuing down in descending order
- c) Scoring margin vs. common conference opponents
- d) Best winning percentage in non-conference games against Division I opponents
- e) Coin toss by the Commissioner

Two-Team Tie

- a) Head-to-Head Competition
- **b)** Conference-only record based on winning percentage vs. highest-ranked team in conference standings, continuing down in descending order
- c) Scoring margin between two teams
- d) Coin toss by the Commissioner

4-WAY TIE at 12-4 (SCENARIO 1)

N.C. A&T, BETHUNE-COOKMAN, HAMPTON, SAVANNAH STATE ALL WIN TONIGHT

BCU 1-0 vs SSU 0-1 vs NSU 0-1 vs NCAT HAMP 1-0 vs BCU 1-1 vs SSU 0-1 vs NCAT NCAT 1-0 vs HAMP 1-0 vs NSU 0-1 vs SSU SSU 1-1 vs HAMP 1-0 vs NCAT 0-1 vs BCU

N.C. A&T 2-1 vs field .667 SSU 2-2 .500 HAM 2-2 .500 BCU 1-2 .337

N.C. A&T is #1 seed with best overall percentage vs tied teams (three-team tie A) SSU is #2 seed (tied with Hampton in h-2-h, win over #1 A&T) (three-team tie B) HAM is #3 seed (tied with SSU in h-2-h, loss to #1 A&T) (three-team tie B) BCU is #4 seed with worst record amongst original tied teams (three-team tie A)

4-WAY TIE at 12-4 (SCENARIO 2)

N.C. A&T, BETHUNE-COOKMAN, NORFOLK STATE, SAVANNAH STATE ALL WIN TONIGHT

BCU 1-0 vs SSU 0-2 vs NSU 0-1 vs NCAT NSU 2-0 vs BCU 0-1 vs NCAT 1-1 vs SSU NCAT 1-0 vs NSU 1-0 vs BCU 0-1 vs SSU

<u>SSU</u> 1-1 vs NSU 1-0 vs NCAT 0-1 vs BCU

N.C. A&T 2-1 vs field .667 NSU 3-2 .600 SSU 2-2 .500 BCU 1-3 .250

N.C. A&T is #1 seed with best overall percentage vs tied teams (three-team tie A)

NSU is #2 seed (2nd best record/percentage) (three-team tie A) SSU is #3 seed (3rd best record/percentage) (three-team tie A)

BCU is #4 seed with worst record/percentage amongst original tied teams (three-team tie A)

3-WAY TIE at 12-4 (SCENARIO 1)

(BETHUNE-COOKMAN, NORFOLK STATE, SAVANNAH STATE WIN, NORTH CAROLINA A&T LOSES)

BCU 1-0 vs SSU 0-2 vs NSU NSU 2-0 vs BCU 1-1 vs SSU SSU 0-1 vs BCU 1-1 vs NSU

NSU 3-1 .667 BCU 1-2 .333 SSU 1-2 .333

NSU is #1 seed with best overall record/percentage vs. tied teams (three-team tie A) SSU is #2 seed based on 1-1 record/percentage vs. NSU (three-team tie B) BSU is #3 seed based on 0-2 record/percentage vs NSU (three-team tie B)

3-WAY TIE at 12-4 (SCENARIO 2)

(NORFOLK STATE, NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE, SAVANNAH STATE WIN, BETHUNE-COOKMAN LOSES)

NSU 1-1 vs SSU 0-1 vs A&T NCAT 1-0 vs NSU 0-1 vs SSU <u>SSU</u> 1-1 vs NSU 1-0 vs A&T

SSU 2-1 .667 A&T 1-1 .500 NSU 1-2 .333

SSU is #1 seed with best overall record/percentage vs tied teams (three-team tie A)
A&T is #2 seed (2nd best record/percentage) (three-team tie A)
NSU is #3 seed (worst record/ winning percentage) (three-team tie A)

3-WAY TIE at 12-4 (SCENARIO 3)

(NORFOLK STATE, NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE, BETHUNE-COOKMAN WIN, SAVANNAH STATE LOSES)

BCU 0-2 vs NSU 0-1 vs A&T NSU 2-0 vs BCU 0-1 vs A&T NCAT 1-0 vs NSU 1-0 vs BCU

A&T 2-0 1.000 NSU 2-1 .667 BCU 0-3 .000

A&T is #1 seed (best record and percentage) (three-team tie A)

NSU is #2 seed (2nd best winning percentage/record) (three-team tie A)

BCU is #3 seed (worst winning percentage/record) (three-team tie A)

3-WAY TIE at 12-4 (SCENARIO 4)

(BETHUNE-COOKMAN, HAMPTON, SAVANNAH STATE WIN, NORTH CAROLINA A&T LOSES)

BCU 1-0 vs SSU 0-1 vs HAM **HAMP** 1-0 vs BCU 1-1 vs SSU SSU 0-1 vs BCU 1-1 vs HAMP

HAM 2-1 .667 BCU 1-1 .500 SSU 1-2 .333

HAM is #1 seed with best overall percentage vs tied teams (three-team tie A) BCU is #2 seed (three-team tie A) SSU is #3 (three-team tie A)

3-WAY TIE at 12-4 (SCENARIO 5)

(HAMPTON, NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE, SAVANNAH STATE WIN, BETHUNE-COOKMAN LOSES)

HAM 1-1 vs SSU 0-1 vs A&T

NCAT 1-0 vs HAM 0-1 vs SSU <u>SSU</u> 1-1 vs HAM 1-0 vs A&T

SSU 2-1 .667 A&T 1-1 .500 HAM 1-2 .333

SSU is #1 seed (best winning percentage) (three-team tie A)
A&T is #2 seed (2nd best winning percentage) (three-team tie A)
HAM is #3 seed (worst winning percentage) (three-team tie A)

3-WAY TIE at 12-4 (SCENARIO 6)

(HAMPTON, NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE, BETHUNE-COOKMAN WIN, SAVANNAH STATE LOSES)

BCU 0-1 vs HAM 0-1 vs A&T

HAM 1-0 vs BCU 0-1 vs A&T NCAT 1-0 vs HAM 1-0 vs BCU

A&T 2-0 1.000 HAM 1-1 .500 BCU 0-2 .000

A&T is #1 seed (best record and percentage) (three-team tie A)
HAM is #2 seed (2nd best winning percentage/record) (three-team tie A)
BCU is #3 seed (worst winning percentage/record) (three-team tie A)

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