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CFP SELECTION COMMITTEE ISSUES FOURTH RANKINGS OF 2026

IRVING, Texas – The CFP (College Football Playoff) Selection Committee issued its fourth rankings of the 2026 season as of games played through Saturday, November 21.

CFP SELECTION COMMITTEE RANKINGS
GAMES PLAYED THROUGH SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

CURRENT RANK	CHANGE	PREV. RANK	TEAM	OVERALL RECORD
1	--	1	Georgia	10-1
2	--	2	Utah	11-0
3	▲2	5	Texas	9-2
4	▲2	6	Notre Dame	10-1
5	▲4	9	Tennessee	9-2
6	▼3	3	Alabama	9-2
7	--	7	Miami	10-1
8	▲3	11	Wake Forest	10-1
9	▼5	4	UCLA	10-1
10	--	10	BYU	9-2
11	▲1	12	Texas Tech	10-1
12	▲1	13	Oregon	8-3
13	▲2	15	Iowa	9-2
14	▼6	8	Indiana	9-2
15	▲3	18	USC	8-3
16	▲3	19	Arizona	8-3
17	▲5	22	Oklahoma	7-4
18	▲2	20	Houston	8-3
19	▲4	23	Louisville	8-3
20	▲4	24	Florida	7-4
21	▼7	14	Ohio State	7-4
22	▲3	25	Ole Miss	7-4
23	NEW	NR	Missouri	7-4
24	NEW	NR	Washington	7-4
25	NEW	NR	Nebraska	7-4

Previous Rank = Tuesday, November 17 release. ▲/▼ = spots moved. – = no change. NEW = new to the Top 25. Dropped out: Boise State, Kentucky, South Carolina.

CFP SELECTION COMMITTEE RANKINGS AT A GLANCE

- This is the 76th edition of the CFP selection committee rankings. The first-ever CFP ranking was released October 28, 2014.
- 22 of last week's 25 ranked teams remain in this week's CFP Selection Committee rankings, including four squads that held the same spot as the week prior.
- **Georgia** ranks No. 1 for the third straight week. It is the Bulldogs' 18th week overall at No. 1, which ranks second-most all-time in the CFP era behind Alabama (24).
- At No. 3, **Texas** is the highest a two-loss team has been ranked in the fourth ranking of season.
- No. 2 **Utah** enters Week 13 as the lone undefeated team remaining in the FBS.
- At No. 8, **Wake Forest** has earned its highest CFP selection committee ranking in program history.
- Since the inception of the CFP, No. 17 **Oklahoma** is the highest-ranked team with four losses at this point of a season (previous: No. 18 Mississippi State in 2018).
- Biggest risers in this week's selection committee rankings include:
    - **Oklahoma** (up five spots from No. 22 to No. 17)
    - **Tennessee** (up four spots from No. 9 to No. 5)
    - **Louisville** (up four spots from No. 23 to No. 19)
    - **Florida** (up four spots from No. 24 to No. 20)
- No. 25 **Nebraska** returns to the CFP Selection Committee rankings for the first time since 2016, while No. 24 **Washington** is ranked for the first time since November 4, 2025.
- The CFP selection committee selected **Boise State** as the best team from the remaining conferences.

How the CFP Selection Committee evaluates teams: A team's full profile, not any single metric
The CFP Selection Committee evaluates teams on a comprehensive body of work, not by any single metric. Rankings are determined by comparing the full profile of teams.

The selection committee utilizes three sources to measure a team's performance: video, data (via a customized portal) and conference input.

When teams look comparable, members apply the following four principles:

1. **Strength of schedule:** who a team played, not just whether it won.

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2. **Head-to-head results:** if two teams met, that result carries additional consideration.

3. **Results against common opponents:** how each fared against shared opponents, without rewarding running up the score.

4. **Other relevant factors:** such as injuries to key players or unavailability of a coach that affected a team's season or will affect its postseason.

The CFP Selection Committee will next meet November 30 - December 1. Its penultimate set of rankings will be revealed on Tuesday, December 1 at 7 p.m. ET live on ESPN and the ESPN app.

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About the College Football Playoff
The College Football Playoff (CFP) is the competition that crowns the true national champion in college football. The format of the CFP is built on a 12-team bracket. The 12 participating schools are the conference champions from the Atlantic Coast Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Southeastern Conference and the highest-ranked team from the American, Conference USA, Mid-American Conference, Mountain West, Pac-12 Conference or Sun Belt Conference, along with the next seven highest-ranked teams. The University of Notre Dame will be included in the playoff if it is ranked among the top 12 teams in the final CFP rankings. Four CFP First-Round games are played on host campuses, followed by the CFP Quarterfinals and CFP Semifinals, which rotate annually among six bowl games – the Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic, Vrbo Fiesta Bowl, Capital One Orange Bowl, Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl, Rose Bowl Game presented by Prudential and the Allstate Sugar Bowl. The CFP National Championship will be on Monday, January 25, 2027, at Allegiant Stadium in Las Vegas, Nevada. For additional information on the CFP, visit CollegeFootballPlayoff.com.