Bowl Championship Series



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BOWL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES SELECTION POOL UPDATE

DALLAS – The Bowl Championship Series announces the following update regarding institutions that are under consideration for participation in the FedEx Orange Bowl, Nokia Sugar Bowl, Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, and Rose Bowl.

Michigan has clinched a berth in the BCS. The Wolverines are co-champions of the Big Ten with Iowa, but possesses the tie-breaker by virtue of their win over the Hawkeyes. USC will be the Pac-10 representative in the BCS. The Trojans are at least the league's co-champion and hold the conference tie-breaker should it need to be applied.

The representatives from the other participating conferences (ACC, Big East, Big 12, and SEC), which receive an automatic spot in a BCS bowl, have not been determined. The following is a list of potential conference representatives:

ACC:	Miami, Virginia Tech
Big East:	Pittsburgh, Syracuse
Big 12:	Colorado, Oklahoma
SEC:	Auburn, Tennessee

In addition to the above teams, the following institutions also remain under consideration for the two at-large positions:

California, Texas, Utah

Both Louisville and Boise State have been conditionally released and would become eligible for a BCS bowl if either is ranked six or better in the final Standings.

To qualify for at-large selection to the BCS, teams must have nine regular-season wins and be ranked in the top 12 of the final BCS Standings on December 5. All other institutions have been released from BCS consideration.

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