

PERFECT PLAYOFF PLAN

COMPARISON TO THE NCAA DIV I BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

There are many reasons why the NCAA Basketball Tournament is not comparable to a Football National Championship Playoff. Which can be summed up by the phrase Basketball is not Football.

First the NCAA officials have stated that the Basketball Tournament is only designed to produce a Tournament Champion not the Best Team from that year's Regular Season. The Basketball Season averages 31 games with 18 conference games plus up to 3 Conference Tournament games. The Playoff Tournament can add up to 6 more games for a possible 40 games. Realistically Football can only accommodate 15 games a year.

Next basketball games can be played 2 times a week football only once.

By the nature of the game Basketball has a built in parity. With 15 players (13 scholarships) each for 351 teams the talented players from across the country are spread over more teams than the current 130 FBS teams or the 90 teams in the proposed [Perfect Playoff Plan](#) with 85 scholarship athletes per team allowed in Football.

Then Basketball scores 1, 2 or 3 points when successful in half of their 70 offensive trips over the 94 foot court. While football scores in 3 or 6 point clumps over an average 70 plays in 10 offensive series covering 100 yards each. These game mechanics gives Basketball the "any team can beat any other team on any given day" scenario while pitting Football against distance and time.

Football takes a huge effort by a large number of athletes to score any points. Also Football uses a significant amount of time over a large number of plays in the 10 offensive possessions available each game. While in Basketball a team or 1 player can take 7 seconds over one play of the 70 offensive possessions per game allowing a team to close a double digit point deficit quickly.

The real difference between Football and Basketball is that the aim in Football is to find the Best Teams over the Regular Season to Play for the National Championship. The Basketball 68 are not the Best Teams but the 16 teams seeded #1 thru #4 are. Over the last 22 years the top 4 teams seeded #1 have won 14 times, the #2 seeds have won 3 times, the #3 seeds have won 3 times and the #4 seeds won once. The one exception was 2014 when #7 seed U Conn, ranked 18th, won the Championship. That is why the Basketball Tournament is for the experience of watching 68 teams play down to see the expected top 16 teams seeded #4 or better play in the Final Four. Basketball proves that a 4 Team Playoff is too small. The Top 16 seeded teams won 21 of 22 Championships sounds like a 16 team Perfect Playoff Plan would work for FBS Football.

A Reorganized Division 1-A FBS with the 90 best teams divided into 10 equal Conferences in a football only [Major College Football Division](#) is the perfect mechanism to identify the 16 teams that could win the Playoff each season. These Conferences of Equal status, size and strength of programs will produce 10 Champions for the 16 Team Playoff and the 6 Second Place teams with the most wins will complete the 16 Team Playoff. See the [Playoff Chart](#) for 2020-2021.

This Plan assures that there will be an [Undisputed National Champion](#) decided on the field of play.

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