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2012 PAC-12 FOOTBALL STANDINGS

NORTH	PAC-12		PF	PA	OVERALL		PF	PA	Home	Road	Neut.	vs. Div	Streak
	W-L	Pct.			W-L	Pct.							
California	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Oregon	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Oregon State	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Stanford	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Washington	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Washington State	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
SOUTH	PAC-12		PF	PA	OVERALL		PF	PA	Home	Road	Neut.	vs. Div	Streak
	W-L	Pct.			W-L	Pct.							
Arizona	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Arizona State	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Colorado	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
UCLA	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
USC	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Utah	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	.---	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	

This Week's Schedule

Thurs., Aug. 30

Ranking	Game	Site	Time/TV	Series/Last Meeting
--/-- 30/32	Northern Colorado (0-0) UTAH (0-0)	Rice Eccles Stadium (45,017) Salt Lake City, Utah	5:15 p.m. MT P12N	Utah leads, 2-0-0 Utah, 7-6 (1937)
--/-- --/--	Northern Arizona (0-0) ARIZONA STATE (0-0)	Sun Devil Stadium (71,705) Tempe, Ariz.	7:30 p.m. PT P12N	ASU leads, 20-14-4 ASU, 41-20 (2010)
--/-- --/--	UCLA (0-0) Rice (0-0)	Rice Stadium (47,000) Houston, Texas	6:30 p.m. CT CBSSN	UCLA leads, 4-0-0 UCLA, 26-16 (2006)
--/-- 32/t36	WASHINGTON STATE (0-0) BYU (0-0)	LaVell Edwards Stadium (63,470) Provo, Utah	8:15 p.m. MT ESPN	BYU leads, 2-1-0 BYU, 50-36 (1990)

Fri., Aug. 31

--/-- 21/18	San Jose State (0-0) STANFORD (0-0)	Stanford Stadium (50,000) Stanford, Calif.	7 p.m. PT P12N	STAN leads, 50-14-1 STAN, 57-3 (2011)
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Sat., Sept. 1

--/-- --/--	Nevada (0-0) CALIFORNIA (0-0)	Memorial Stadium (63,000) Berkeley, Calif.	12 noon PT P12N	CAL leads, 22-2-1 Nevada, 52-31 (2010)
--/-- --/--	Nicholls State (0-0) OREGON STATE (0-0)	Reser Stadium (45,674) Corvallis, Ore.	12 noon PT P12N	First Meeting
--/-- --/--	COLORADO (0-0) Colorado State (0-0)	Sports Authority Field (76,125) Denver, Colo.	2 p.m. MT FX	COLO leads, 61-20-2 COLO, 28-14 (2011)
--/-- 1/3	Hawai'i (0-0) USC (0-0)	L.A. Memorial Coliseum (93,607) Los Angeles, Calif.	4:30 p.m. PT FOX/FOX Deportes	USC leads, 7-0-0* USC, 49-36 (2010)
--/-- 27/26	San Diego State (0-0) WASHINGTON (0-0)	CenturyLink Field (67,000) Seattle, Wash.	7:30 p.m. PT P12N	WASH leads, 2-0-0 WASH, 36-3 (1997)
--/-- 5/5	Arkansas State (0-0) OREGON (0-0)	Autzen Stadium (54,000) Eugene, Ore.	7:30 p.m. PT ESPN	First Meeting
--/-- --/--	Toledo (0-0) ARIZONA (0-0)	Arizona Stadium (51,811) Tucson, Ariz.	7:30 p.m. PT ESPNU	Arizona leads, 3-0-0 ARIZ, 41-2 (2010)

Rankings listed (AP/Coaches poll); * - Win later vacated

AROUND THE PAC-12

A LOOK AHEAD

Fri., Sept. 7

Utah at Utah State
ESPN2, 6 p.m. MT

Sat., Sept. 8

Southern Utah at California
P12N, 12 noon PT
Eastern Washington at Washington State
P12N, 12 noon PT
Sacramento State at Colorado
P12N, 1 p.m. MT
USC vs. Syracuse (2)
ABC, 3:30 p.m. ET
Wisconsin at Oregon State
FX, 1 p.m. PT
Fresno State at Oregon
P12N, 3:30 p.m. PT
Nebraska at UCLA
FOX, 4:30 p.m. PT
Oklahoma State at Arizona
P12N, 7:30 p.m. PT
Duke at Stanford
P12N, 7:30 p.m. PT
Illinois at Arizona State
ESPN, 7:30 p.m. PT
Washington at LSU
ESPN, 6 p.m. CT

PAC-12 VS.:

Atlantic Coast.....	0-0
Big East.....	0-0
Big Sky.....	0-0
Big Ten.....	0-0
Big 12.....	0-0
Conference USA.....	0-0
Great West.....	0-0
Mid-American.....	0-0
Missouri Valley.....	0-0
Mountain West.....	0-0
Southeastern.....	0-0
Southern.....	0-0
Western Athletic.....	0-0
Independent.....	0-0
Total-All.....	0-0 (---)
Total-FBS.....	0-0 (---)
vs. BCS.....	0-0 (---)

The Pac-12 posted a 25-16 record (.610) in non-conference play last season, marking the 28th consecutive season of posting a winning record outside the league.

KICK IT OFF: The Pac-12 kicks off its 97th season with an unprecedented four Thursday games, which coincides with the first football games aired on the Pac-12 Networks, featuring Northern Colorado at UTAH and Northern Arizona at ARIZONA STATE. Of the 12 games played during the opening weekend six will appear on the Pac-12 Networks. In fact, the Pac-12 Networks will air 17 games over the first four weeks of the season, including broadcasts from each of the league's 12 campuses.

THE POLLS: For the first time in league history, two Pac-12 teams appear among the Top 5 in the AP preseason poll - No. 1 USC and No. 5 OREGON. In the Coaches poll, the Trojans are at No. 3, while the Ducks hold down the No. 5 spot. STANFORD comes in at No. 21 in the AP, No. 18 in the Coaches. Both WASHINGTON and UTAH received votes in both polls.

NON-LEAGUE SLATE: The Pac-12's non-conference schedule of 36 games includes matchups with 11 opponents who are ranked or received votes in the preseason AP and/or USA Today polls. Keep an eye on week two as the schedule features four games against teams ranked among the Top 20.

FOUR NEW COACHES: The desert landscape is changing as new coaches appear this season in Tucson and Tempe as **Rich Rodriguez** will guide Arizona and **Todd Graham** will take over at Arizona State. The Pac-12 South Division gets another new face with the appointment of **Jim Mora** at UCLA. **Mike Leach** takes over at Washington State. It's not the first time four new coaches debuted in the same season. Four new coaches made their Pac-10 debut in 2003 - Mike Riley (Oregon State), Karl Dorrell (UCLA), Keith Gilbertson (Washington) and Bill Doba (Washington State), while four new coaches appeared on Pac-8 sidelines in 1976 - Craig Fertiig (Oregon State), Terry Donahue (UCLA), John Robinson (USC) and Jackie Sherrill (Washington State).

SIGNAL-CALLERS: While the Pac-12 had three QBs selected in the 2012 NFL draft, the league still boasts several experienced standout quarterbacks in USC senior **Matt Barkley** (36 starts), UTAH junior **Jordan Wynn** (19), WASHINGTON STATE senior **Jeff Tuel** (19), CALIFORNIA senior **Zach Maynard** (13), WASHINGTON junior **Keith Price** (13), and OREGON STATE sophomore **Sean Mannion** (10). There are six quarterbacks who will lineup behind center with five or fewer starts with their current school. Those six include ARIZONA senior **Matt Scott** (5) and first-year starters ARIZONA STATE sophomore **Taylor Kelly**, COLORADO junior **Jordan Webb** (although he was a two-year starter at Kansas before transferring to Colorado), OREGON freshman **Marcus Mariota**, STANFORD junior **Josh Nunes** and UCLA freshman **Brett Hundley** . . . Barkley set school and Pac-12 records as he tossed for 3,528 yards (294.0 per game) and a Pac-12 record 39 TDs. Mannion threw for 3,328 yards (277.3 per game), Price threw for 3,063 yards (235.6 per game) and a UW record 33 TDs, Maynard tossed for 2,990 yards (230.0 per game). Wynn and Tuel are coming off a season marked by injuries, but are expected to return to their 2010 form when they passed for 2,334 yards/17 TDs and 2,780 yards/18 TDs respectively.

OTHER HEADLINERS: A total of nine first-team and 16 second-team All-Pac-12 performers return. The Pac-12 is loaded with quality receivers as both first-team and second-team selections return - California junior **Keenan Allen** (1,343 yards) and USC junior **Robert Woods** (1,292 yards) were both first-team picks, while USC sophomore **Marqise Lee** (1,143 yards) and Washington State junior **Marquess Wilson** (1,388 yards) were second-team selections . . . The Pac-12 features five returning 1,000-yard rushers. Utah's **John White**, who set a Ute single-season record with 1,519 yards, Stanford's **Stepfan Taylor** (1,330 yards), California's **Isi Sofele** (1,320 yards), Arizona State's **Cameron Marshall** (1,050), and USC's **Curtis McNeal** (1,005 yards). Two others were within 70 yards of the 1,000-yard mark - UCLA's **Johnathan Franklin** (976 yards) and Oregon's **Kenjon Barner** (939 yards) . . . On the defensive side, Utah's **Star Lotulelei** and Oregon's **Dion Jordan** are among the nation's best along the front line. . . Pac-12 is teaming with quality in the secondary. USC's **T.J. McDonald** and **Nickell Robey** were first-team All-Pac-12 selections, while Oregon's **John Boyett** and Oregon State's **Jordan Poyer** were second-team selections. . . Other notable returners include the special team performers Oregon's **De'Anthony Thomas** and Arizona State's **Jamal Miles** as kick returners. Each returned a pair of kickoffs for touchdowns last season.

DID YOU KNOW.... Among Pac-12 teams, USC currently has the longest winning streak at 4 games. UCLA currently has the longest home winning streak, also at 4 games . . . Longest winning streaks currently in non-conference play belong to Utah and USC at 4 games each . . . Four Pac-12 schools - California, Oregon State, USC and Utah, return their leading passer, rusher and receiver from 2011.

ARIZONA: Senior QB **Matt Scott** has appeared in 22 previous contests, including five starts, so is no stranger to taking snaps. He's completed 114 of 176 pass attempts (63.8 percent) for 1,301 yards and six TDs. Isn't shy on tucking and running as he's tallied 510 yards on 99 carries (6.5 ypc) . . . UA secondary is led by junior CB **Shaquille Richardson**, who tied for the Pac-12 lead with four interceptions in 2011. His 0.4 interceptions per game represented the highest average in the conference . . . Head coach **Rich Rodriguez** makes his debut with the Wildcats as the 30th head football coach in the school's history. He's won six of his last seven season-openers.

ARIZONA STATE: Senior RB **Cameron Marshall** rushed for 1,050 yards and 18 touchdowns in 2011. His 18 rushing touchdowns tied for the Conference lead in 2011 and matched ASU's single-season mark for rushing touchdowns . . . The Sun Devils return 9 starters from a defensive unit that tied for second in the Pac-12 in turnover margin (+9) . . . Head coach **Todd Graham** makes his Sun Devil debut as the 23rd head coach in school history. For the third time in the last 60 years, both Arizona and Arizona State have new head coaches in the same season. The other two seasons were 1980 with Larry Smith (Arizona)/Darryl Rogers (Arizona State) and 2001 with John Mackovic (Arizona)/Dirk Koetter (Arizona State).

CALIFORNIA: The Bears return their two leading rushers from 2011, including senior **Isi Sofele**, who amassed 1,322 yards on the ground. Cal running back tandems have rushed for 1,500 yards or more in each of the past nine seasons . . . Junior WR **Keenan Allen** was a first-team All-Pac-12 selection after hauling in 98 passes for 1,343 yards in 2011 . . . Cal has led the Pac-12 in total defense in each of the last two seasons. It's pass defense has been particularly staunch, allowing a league-low 195.24 yards per game during that span. Additionally, the Bears' defense averaged 7.62 tackles for loss per game in 2011, leading the Pac-12 and ranking seventh nationally.

COLORADO: Four starters return to Colorado's offensive line in 2012, including second team All-Pac-12 selection T **David Bakhtiari** . . . Junior QB **Jordan Webb** will start under center for the Buffs in 2011, bringing two years of starting experience to an otherwise young offensive unit. Webb started 19 games in two seasons at Kansas, totaling 3,079 passing yards and 20 touchdowns . . . Returns its three leading tacklers from 2011, led by senior S **Ray Polk** (69 total tackles) . . . 15 of 23 true freshman hold positions on Colorado's initial depth chart with three slated to start outright or share first-team duties.

OREGON: The Ducks have tabbed freshman **Marcus Mariota** as their starting quarterback, becoming the school's first freshman to start Oregon's season opener since redshirt freshman Danny O'Neil did so in 1991 against Washington State . . . Oregon, which owns a conference-best 25-2 record against Pac-12 teams since 2009, has won three-straight conference titles. The Ducks have compiled a 34-6 record during the three-year tenure of head coach **Chip Kelly** . . . In Kelly's fast-paced offensive system, Oregon led the Pac-12 and ranked fourth nationally with 88 scrimmage plays of 20-yards or longer last season . . . The Ducks' defense led the conference with 45 sacks (tied for third nationally) and 91 passes defended (second nationally) in 2011.

OREGON STATE: Sophomore QB **Sean Mannion** is the second-tallest quarterback in OSU history (6-5), and his 3,328 yards passing in 2011 ranked fourth in the Pac-12 (second behind USC's Matt Barkley among returning players) . . . The Beaver receiving corps includes talented senior SE **Markus Wheaton**, who was Mannion's primary target last season with 73 receptions for 986 yards (13.5 ypc) . . . The Beavers boasted the second-best pass defense in the Pac-12 in 2011, allowing just 214.4 yards per game through the air. They also ranked second in the Pac-12 with 5 blocked punts/kicks last season.

STANFORD: Stanford will start the 2012 campaign ranked in the AP Poll for the 30th-consecutive week, dating back to Sept. 5, 2010. The streak marks the school's longest continuous ranking in the poll since the 1969-72 seasons (43 weeks) . . . Head coach **David Shaw** became just the ninth major college head coach in history to post 11 or more wins in his first season. He was named the Pac-12's Coach of the Year, becoming just the third head coach in Stanford history to earn the award, following Bill Walsh (1977) and Tyrone Willingham (1995 and '99) . . . After posting 1,330 rushing yards, senior RB **Stepfan Taylor** became just the third Stanford back in history to register back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons. With 2,770 career rushing yards, he needs 230 yards to become the third back in school history to reach 3,000 yards, joining Darrin Nelson (4,033) and Toby Gerhart (3,522)

UCLA: **Jim Mora** enters his first season at UCLA as a first-time college head coach, though he brings four years of NFL head coaching experience (three years with the Atlanta Falcons and one year with the Seattle Seahawks). In Mora's first recruiting cycle, which was abbreviated by his December hiring, UCLA hauled in one of the top classes in the country . . . 16 starters return for the Bruins, including leading rusher senior **Johnathan Franklin** (976 yards/5.9 ypc) and highly-touted senior TE **Joseph Fauria** (481 yards/12.3 ypc) . . . Senior P **Jeff Locke**'s 44.58 career punting average is the highest in school history.

USC: The Trojans sit atop the AP preseason poll for the seventh time in school history, returning 19 starters from a 2011 squad that won seven of its final eight games. Among the returning starters are nine All-Pac-12 performers, including a 3,500-yard passer, two 1,000-yard receivers and a 1,000 yard rusher. The Trojans added a second 1,000-yard rusher in transfer **Silas Redd**, whole racked up 1,241 yards on the ground with Penn State in 2011 . . . Eight defensive starters return to a unit that ranked second in the Pac-12 in rushing defense in 2011, including 2011 All-Pac-12 honorees senior S **T.J. McDonald**, senior DE **Wes Horton** and sophomore LB **Dion Bailey**.

UTAH: At 25 years of age, Utah's **Brian Johnson** is the youngest offensive coordinator in the FBS. Johnson, a former Utah quarterback, was the MVP of the 2009 Sugar Bowl in a win over Alabama . . . Senior RB **John White** rushed for a school-record 1,519 yards in 2011 to rank second in the Pac-12 and ninth in the nation. The 2012 Heisman hopeful will again be the feature back in an offense that took to the ground on 58.6 percent of its plays a season ago . . . Utah returns nine starters, including 2011 All-Pac-12 performer senior NT **Star Lotulelei**. The Utes led the Pac-12 in several defensive categories in 2011, including scoring defense (20.2 ppg) and red zone defense (75.68%).

WASHINGTON: Head coach **Steve Sarkisian** owns a 38-19 record in three seasons at Washington and has led his team to bowl games in each of the last two seasons . . . Junior QB **Keith Price** ranked third among returning Pac-12 quarterbacks with 235.6 passing yards per game in 2011. Price threw for 3,063 yards and a school record 33 TDs last season . . . Junior S **Sean Parker** was the sixth-leading tackler in the Pac-12 in 2011 with 91 total tackles and was the only underclassman to rank in the top-10.

WASHINGTON STATE: **Mike Leach** enters his first season as Washington State's head coach. Leach compiled an impressive 84-43 record in nine-plus seasons at Texas Tech . . . The Cougars boasted the second-most prolific passing attack in the Pac-12, averaging 322.3 yards through the air in 2011 . . . Junior WR **Marquess Wilson**, a second team All Pac-12 selection last season, led the Pac-12 with 115.7 yards receiving, and his 12 touchdown receptions were good for second in the Conference . . . Senior QB **Jeff Tuel** returns to the field for the Cougars this fall after injuries kept him out of nine games in 2011. Tuel started all 12 games for WSU as a sophomore in 2010, throwing for 2,780 yards, posting 10 200-yard passing games.

PAC-12 IN THE WEEKLY RANKINGS

AP (media)/USA Today (coaches)/Harris Interactive (begins Oct.3)/BCS (begins Oct. 16)

	<u>ARIZ</u>	<u>ASU</u>	<u>CAL</u>	<u>COLO</u>	<u>ORE</u>	<u>OSU</u>	<u>STAN</u>	<u>UCLA</u>	<u>USC</u>	<u>UTAH</u>	<u>WASH</u>	<u>WSU</u>
PRE	nr/nr	nr/nr	nr/nr	nr/nr	5/5	nr/nr	21/18	nr/nr	1/3	30/32	27/26	nr/nr
9/5												

AP Top 25 Preseason

1. USC (25)	0-0	1445
2. Alabama (17)	0-0	1411
3. LSU (16)	0-0	1402
4. Oklahoma (1)	0-0	1286
5. OREGON	0-0	1274
6. Georgia	0-0	1107
7. Florida State	0-0	1093
8. Michigan (1)	0-0	1000
9. South Carolina	0-0	994
10. Arkansas	0-0	963
11. West Virginia	0-0	856
12. Wisconsin	0-0	838
13. Michigan State	0-0	742
14. Clemson	0-0	615
15. Texas	0-0	569
16. Virginia Tech	0-0	548
17. Nebraska	0-0	485
18. Ohio State	0-0	474
19. Oklahoma State	0-0	430
20. TCU	0-0	397
21. STANFORD	0-0	383
22. Kansas State	0-0	300
23. Florida	0-0	214
24. Boise State	0-0	212
25. Louisville	0-0	105
Others Receiving votes:		
27. WASHINGTON		
30. UTAH		

USA Today Top 25 Preseason

1. LSU (18)	0-0	1403
2. Alabama (20)	0-0	1399
3. USC (19)	0-0	1388
4. Oklahoma	0-0	1276
5. OREGON	0-0	1258
6. Georgia	0-0	1061
7. Florida State	0-0	1055
8. Michigan	0-0	1023
9. South Carolina	0-0	981
10. Arkansas	0-0	948
11. West Virginia	0-0	833
12. Wisconsin	0-0	743
13. Michigan State	0-0	717
14. Clemson	0-0	598
15. Texas	0-0	549
16. Nebraska	0-0	501
17. TCU	0-0	499
18. STANFORD	0-0	497
19. Oklahoma State	0-0	476
20. Virginia Tech	0-0	461
21. Kansas State	0-0	398
22. Boise State	0-0	271
23. Florida	0-0	250
24. Notre Dame	0-0	166
25. Auburn	0-0	66
Others receiving votes:		
26. WASHINGTON		
32. UTAH		

Harris Interactive First release - Oct. 3

BCS First release - Oct. 16

2011 FINAL PAC-12 CONFERENCE FOOTBALL STANDINGS

	PAC-12				OVERALL							
	W-L	Pct.	PF	PA	W-L	Pct.	PF	PA	Home	Road	Neut.	vs. Div
NORTH												
Oregon%	8-1	.889	399	209	12-2	.857	645	345	7-1	4-0	1-1	5-0
Stanford	8-1	.889	394	213	11-2	.846	561	285	6-1	5-0	0-1	4-1
Washington	5-4	.556	270	290	7-6	.538	434	470	6-1	1-4	0-1	2-3
California	4-5	.444	223	227	7-6	.538	368	314	4-1	2-4	1-1	2-3
Oregon State	3-6	.333	206	268	3-9	.250	262	370	2-4	1-5	0-0	2-3
Washington State	2-7	.222	211	311	4-8	.333	358	381	3-3	1-5	0-0	0-5
SOUTH												
USC*	7-2	.778	341	232	10-2	.833	429	283	6-1	4-1	0-0	4-1
UCLA	5-4	.556	197	266	6-8	.429	323	439	5-1	1-6	0-1	2-3
Utah	4-5	.444	188	202	8-5	.615	325	263	3-3	4-2	0-1	2-3
Arizona State	4-5	.444	298	255	6-7	.462	431	372	5-2	1-4	0-1	3-2
Arizona	2-7	.222	269	341	4-8	.333	369	425	3-2	1-5	0-0	2-3
Colorado	2-7	.222	162	354	3-10	.231	257	475	1-4	1-6	1-0	2-3

*- Ineligible for postseason

% - Based on tie-break procedure, Oregon defeated Stanford in head-to-head competition and was the North Division representative in the Pac-12 FCG.

2011 PAC-12 CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Oregon 49, UCLA 31

USC TABBED TO WIN PAC-12 TITLE IN PRESEASON MEDIA POLL

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. - USC is the favorite to win the 2012 Pac-12 Conference football title in a preseason poll of media members who cover the league. The Trojans were listed in the top spot in the North Division by 117 of the 123 voters participating in the poll, collecting 729 points. 102 of those pollsters tabbed the Trojans to come out on top in the Pac-12 Championship Game. Utah was picked to finish second in the South Division, collecting one first-place vote in the balloting for the division race. Arizona State claimed three of the other five first-place votes, with each of those members of the media casting a vote for the Sun Devils to capture the Pac-12 title.

Oregon was picked to win the North Division, garnering 732 points and 117 first place votes, while Stanford, which tallied five of the other six first place votes, was pegged to finish second in this year's poll. California, predicted by the voters to finish fourth in the North Division, claimed the remaining first place vote.

The media poll has correctly selected the Conference Champion in 28 of 51 previous polls, including 11 of the last 12. Following are the results of the preseason media poll (points 6-5-4-3-2-1, first-place votes in parentheses):

NORTH DIVISION

1. Oregon (117)..... 732
2. Stanford (5)..... 533
3. Washington 502
4. California (1)..... 382
5. Washington State..... 228
6. Oregon State..... 205

SOUTH DIVISION

1. USC (117) 729
2. Utah (1) 514
3. UCLA (2) 435
4. Arizona 385
5. Arizona State (3)..... 353
6. Colorado..... 164

PAC-12 TITLE GAME CHAMPION: USC (102 votes)

Others receiving votes: Oregon (18), Arizona State (3)

NATIONAL COLLEGE FOOTBALL AWARDS 2012 PRESEASON AWARD WATCH LIST - PAC-12 CANDIDATES

BEDNARIK AWARD

(Most Outstanding Defensive Player)

John Boyett, Sr., S, ORE
Dion Jordan, Sr., DE, ORE
Jordan Poyer, Sr., CB, OSU
Shayne Skov, Sr., LB, STAN
Chase Thomas, Sr., LB, STAN
Dion Bailey, So., LB, USC
T.J. McDonald, Sr., S, USC
Nickell Robey, Jr., CB, USC
Star Lotulelei, Sr., DT, UTAH

BILETNIKOFF AWARD

(Most Outstanding Wide Receiver)

Keenan Allen, Jr., CAL
Dan Buckner, Sr., ARIZ
DeVonte Christopher, Sr., UTAH
Markus Wheaton, Sr., OSU
Marquess Wilson, Jr., WSU
Robert Woods, Jr., USC

LOU GROZA AWARD

(Most Outstanding Kicker)

Andrew Furney, Jr., WSU
Andre Heidari, So., USC
Jordan Williamson, So., STAN

RAY GUY AWARD

(Most Outstanding Punter)

Darragh O'Neill, So., COLO
Jackson Rice, Sr., ORE
Jeff Locke, Sr., UCLA
Sean Sellwood, Sr., UTAH

DAVEY O'BRIEN AWARD

(Best Quarterback)

Matt Barkley, Sr., USC
Keith Price, Jr., WASH
Jeff Tuel, Sr., WSU

ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD

(Most Outstanding Down Lineman/
Linebacker)

Dion Bailey, So., LB, USC
David Bakhtiari, Jr., OT, COLO
Michael Clay, Sr., LB, ORE
Scott Crichton, So., DE, OSU
Joseph Fauria, Sr., TE, UCLA
Ben Gardner, Jr., DE, STAN
Khaled Holmes, Sr., C, USC
Wes Horton, Sr., DE, USC
Dion Jordan, Se., DE, ORE
Travis Long, Sr., DE/OLB, WSU
Star Lotulelei, Sr., DT, UTAH
Hayes Pullard, Sr., LB, USC
Shayne Skov, Sr., LB, STAN
Chase Thomas, Sr., LB, STAN
Levine Toilolo, TE, STAN
Brian Wagner, Sr., LB, ARIZ
Carson York, Sr., C, ORE

RIMINGTON TROPHY

(Most Outstanding Center)

Hronis Grasu, So., ORE
Gus Handler, Jr., COLO
Khaled Holmes, Sr., USC
Sam Schwartzstein, Sr., STAN
Tevita Stevens, Sr., UTAH

JOHN MACKEY AWARD

(Most Outstanding Tight End)

Joseph Fauria, Sr., UCLA
Austin Seferian-Jenkins, So., WASH
Levine Toilolo, Jr., STAN

MAXWELL AWARD

(Most Outstanding Player)

Cameron Marshall, Sr., RB, ASU
Keenan Allen, Jr., WR, CAL
Isi Sofele, Sr., RB, CAL
Kenjon Barner, Sr., RB, ORE
De'Anthony Thomas, So., WR, ORE
Stepfan Taylor, Sr., RB, STAN
Johnathan Franklin, Sr., RB, UCLA
Matt Barkley, Sr., QB, USC
Robert Woods, Jr., WR, USC
Marqise Lee, So., WR, USC
Curtis McNeal, Sr., RB, USC
John White IV, Sr., RB, UTAH
Keith Price, Jr., QB, WASH
Marquess Wilson, Jr., WR, WSU

BRONKO NAGURSKI TROPHY

(Most Outstanding Defensive Player)

Star Lotulelei, Sr., DT, UTAH
Dion Jordan, Sr., DE, ORE
Dion Bailey, So., LB, USC
Travis Long, Sr., LB, WSU
Shayne Skov, Sr., LB, STAN
Chase Thomas, Sr., LB, STAN
Jordan Poyer, Sr., CB, OSU
Nickell Robey, Jr., CB, USC
John Boyett, Sr., S, ORE
T.J. McDonald, Sr., S, USC

OUTLAND TROPHY

(Most Outstanding Interior Lineman)

David Bakhtiari, OT, COLO
Matt Summers-Gavin, OT, CAL
Khaled Holmes, Sr., C, USC
David Yankey, G, STAN
Carson York, G, ORE
Star Lotulelei, DT, UTAH
Aaron Tipoti, DT, CAL

JIM THORPE AWARD

(Most Outstanding Defensive Back)

John Boyett, Sr., S, ORE
T.J. McDonald, Sr., S, USC
Jordan Poyer, Sr., CB, OSU
Nickell Robey, Jr., CB, USC

DOAK WALKER AWARD

(Most Outstanding Running Back)

Kenjon Barner, Sr., ORE
Jesse Callier, Jr., WASH
Johnathan Franklin, Sr., UCLA
Cameron Marshall, Sr., ASU
Curtis McNeal, Sr., USC
Isi Sofele, Sr., CAL
Stepfan Taylor, Sr., STAN
John White, Sr., UTAH

WALTER CAMP AWARD

(Most Outstanding Player)

Keenan Allen, Jr., WR, CAL
Matt Barkley, Sr., QB, USC
T.J. McDonald, Sr., S, USC
Chase Thomas, Sr., LB, STAN
De'Anthony Thomas, So., WR, ORE
John White, Sr., RB, UTAH
Robert Woods, Jr., WR, USC

BUTKUS AWARD

(Most Outstanding Linebacker)

Dion Bailey, So., USC
Travis Long, Sr., WSU
Brandon Magee, Sr., ASU
Trent Murphy, Sr., STAN
Douglas Rippey, Sr., COLO
Shayne Skov, Sr., STAN
Chase Thomas, Sr., STAN

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2012 PAC-12 COACHES MEDIA TELECONFERENCE

Each Tuesday during the season, starting Tuesday, August 28 and concluding on Tuesday, November 20. Each head coach will be available for 10 minutes. The two head coaches of the teams participating in the Pac-12 Championship Game will be available the week of November 26 (Time TBD). **In order to participate on the call, media must use their work email address to send a request to Dave Hirsch (dhirsch@pac-12.org) for the conference call phone number.**

ORDER OF COACHES (PT/MT):

9:55 a.m./10:55 a.m. MT	Kyle Whittingham, Utah (Aug. 28 and Sept. 11)
10:05 a.m.	Jim Mora, UCLA (from Aug. 28-Sept. 18)
10:15 a.m./11:15 a.m. MT	Jon Embree, Colorado
10:25 a.m.	Mike Riley, Oregon State
10:35 a.m./11:35 a.m. MT	Kyle Whittingham, Utah (except Aug. 28 and Sept. 11)
	Steve Sarkisian, Washington (only Aug. 28 and Sept. 11)
10:45 a.m.	David Shaw, Stanford
10:55 a.m.	Mike Leach, Washington State
11:05 a.m.	Rich Rodriguez, Arizona
	(note: 12:05 p.m. MST in November after daylight savings)
11:15 a.m.	Chip Kelly, Oregon (starting Tues., Sept. 25)
11:25 a.m.	Jeff Tedford, California
11:35 a.m.	Jim Mora, UCLA (starting Tues., Sept. 25)
11:45 a.m.	Lane Kiffin, USC
11:55 a.m.	Steve Sarkisian, Washington (except Aug. 28 and Sept. 11)
12:05 p.m.	Todd Graham, Arizona State
	(note: 1:05 p.m. MST in November after daylight savings)
12:15 p.m.	Chip Kelly, Oregon from Tues., Aug. 28 - Tues., Sept. 18)

A taped replay will be available to the media beginning at 3:30 p.m. PT/4:30 p.m. MT following the teleconference and available anytime up until the next scheduled call. Phone number for the taped replay: 866-402-5083. In addition, audio files of the teleconference will be available on the Pac-12 website (pac-12.com) following each teleconference call.

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Each Pac-12 team has posted head shots, media guides, game books, notes, statistics and more on collegepressbox.com. Apply for a password at password@collegepressbox.

PAC-12 FOOTBALL MULTIMEDIA CONTENT ACCESS INSTRUCTIONS

Again this year, the Pac-12 will be embracing web-based digital technology for dissemination of multimedia content (weekly press conferences). We will be using a web based FTP tool called the Pac-12 Digital XChange to share information with our media partners. In order to access this FTP site in secure fashion, it is important for you to register with us to obtain the necessary access credentials (a.k.a. a login id and password).

Please be aware of the following important points:

1. If you participated in Football Media Day activities last year, you most likely have already received your registration information for the Pac-12 Digital Xchange. We can help you if you have forgotten your user id or password.
2. If you have not yet registered for an account on the Pac-12 Digital Xchange, please do the following:

Send an email to media@pac-12.org with the subject line "Request for Pac-12 Media Access" containing the following information:

Name, Job title, Company name, Email address, Phone number (business and/or mobile)

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PAC-12 CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

The Pac-12 Championship Football Game will take place Friday, November 30 at 8 p.m. ET/5 p.m. PT and telecast to a national audience on FOX. The Championship game will match the winner of the North Division vs. the winner of the South Division. The game will be played on the campus of the division winner with the best overall conference record. The winner of the Pac-12 Championship will earn the league's automatic BCS berth.

TIE-BREAK PROCEDURES TO DETERMINE DIVISION CHAMPIONS AND CHAMPIONSHIP GAME HOST

The Division Champion will be determined by the record in all games played (both divisional and cross-divisional) within the conference. In the event of a tie, the following procedures will be applied to determine the Pac-12 Championship Game representatives

Two-Team Tie.

1. Head-to-head competition between the two tied teams.
 - a. If no game is played between the two tied teams or that game ends in a tie, the following tie-breaking procedures would be applied:
2. Record in games played within the division
3. Record against the next highest placed team in the division (Based on record in all games played within the conference), proceeding through the division.
4. Record in common conference games.
5. Highest BCS Ranking following the last weekend of regular-season games.
6. Total number of wins in a 12-game season. The following conditions will apply to the calculation of the total number of wins:
 - a. Only one win against a team from the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision or lower division will be counted annually.
 - b. Any games that are exempted from counting against the annual maximum number of football contests per NCAA rules (current Bylaw 17.9.5.2) shall not be included.
7. Coin toss.

Multiple-Team Ties.

The following procedures will only be used to eliminate all but two teams, at which point the two-team tie-breaking procedure will be applied.

1. Head-to-head (Best record in games among the tied teams).
2. Record in games played within the division.
3. Record against the next highest placed team in the division (based on record in all games played within the conference), proceeding through the division.
4. Record in common conference games.
5. Highest BCS ranking following the last weekend of regular-season games.

Pac-12 Championship Game Host

The Pac-12 Championship Game Host will be determined by the record in all games played within the conference. In the event of a tie, the following procedures will be applied to determine the Pac-12 Championship Game host.

Tie-breaking Procedure.

1. Head-to-head, if applicable.
2. Highest BCS Ranking following the last weekend of Pac-12 regular-season games.
3. Record against the next highest-placed common opponent in the conference (based on record in all games played within the conference), proceeding through the conference.
4. Record in common conference games.
5. Coin toss.

PAC-12 BOWL ARRANGEMENTS - 2012-13

The Pac-12 is in the third year of a four-year bowl cycle. The Pac-12 Conference has agreements with seven bowl partners. The lineup is led by the Rose Bowl presented by Vizio, which is the destination for the Pac-12 champion, unless said champion is ranked No. 1 or No. 2 in the final Bowl Championship Series rankings. If that were the case, the Pac-12 champion would play in the BCS National Championship Game hosted by the Discover Orange Bowl. Regardless of the disposition of the Pac-12 champion, a second Pac-12 team may be selected for an at-large berth in the Bowl Championship Series in any given year and other Pac-12 bowl partner arrangements provide for that occurrence. In addition to the Rose Bowl presented by Vizio, Pac-12 bowl partners include, in order of selection, the Valero Alamo Bowl in San Antonio, Bridgeport Education Holiday Bowl in San Diego, Hyundai Sun Bowl in El Paso, the MAACO Bowl Las Vegas, the Kraft Fight Hunger Bowl in San Francisco, and the Gildan New Mexico Bowl in Albuquerque. Following is a summary of the Pac-12 bowl arrangements for the 2012-13 season:

Bowl Game	Site	Opponent	Date	TV
Rose presented by Vizio	Pasadena	Big Ten	Jan. 1	ESPN
Valero Alamo	San Antonio	Big 12	Dec. 29	ESPN
Bridgepoint Education Holiday	San Diego	Big 12	Dec. 27	ESPN
Hyundai Sun	El Paso	ACC	Dec. 31	CBS
MAACO Bowl Las Vegas Bowl	Las Vegas	MWC	Dec. 22	ESPN
Kraft Fight Hunger	San Francisco	Navy	Dec. 29	ESPN2
Gildan New Mexico	Albuquerque	MWC	Dec. 15	ESPN