

STYLE GUIDE

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the 2024 NCAA* Men's Final Four* Style Guide. This guide provides guidelines, reference material and information on the components comprising the NCAA Men's Final Four visual identity.

This guide will be essential as you activate the NCAA Men's Final Four visual identity. The NCAA Men's Final Four name and logo are trademarks of the NCAA. NCAA corporate champions/partners, licensees and the NCAA's television partners have exclusive rights to the use of NCAA logos and marks for promotional purposes. The use of NCAA logos or marks by entities other than the aforementioned, including host institutions or conferences, must be approved by the NCAA Championships™ branding staff.

Every effort has been made to provide a comprehensive and accurate summary of the 2024 NCAA Men's Final Four style. As such, the information in this guide is not intended to supersede, override or affect the interpretation of any of the rights and obligations of the NCAA.

While this style guide provides guidelines for the correct usage of marks and graphics, final designs of all applications must be reviewed and approved by the NCAA championship engagement staff before production. In the event this guide requires clarification, the NCAA will provide such interpretations at its sole discretion.

The 2024 NCAA Men's Final Four Style Guide is a key component of the NCAA brand management strategy. Building the equity of the NCAA Men's Final Four mark can only be accomplished by adhering to these guidelines. Through the consistent application and usage of NCAA logos in all graphic applications, the NCAA will continue to build a strong and identifiable brand. The NCAA may revise these terms and conditions at any time. Users are bound by these revisions and should periodically visit the NCAA website (ncaa.org) to review the current terms and conditions. Information on the NCAA website is subject to change without notice. This document contains the guidelines for usage of the 2024 NCAA Men's Final Four logo and visual identity. It is the responsibility of those who execute and activate materials to observe these guidelines.

The reproduction art is available for use in approved activities related to the NCAA Men's Final Four. The logo is a trademark of the NCAA and must be reproduced in the configurations and colors as shown in this document. No variations in its design other than those provided will be approved. Please note that all uses of NCAA graphics and marks must be pre-approved by the NCAA Championships™ branding staff.

For your convenience, all marks, design elements and production templates seen in this document are available via your NCAA representative. Whenever possible, please use the art files provided. DO NOT distort, add to or change any of the files. Again, all uses of NCAA graphics and marks must be pre-approved by the NCAA Championships branding staff.





The National Collegiate Athletic Association is a member-led organization dedicated to the well-being and lifelong success of college athletes. NCAA® schools award nearly \$3.5 billion in athletics scholarships every year and provide vast support to help student-athletes graduate at a rate higher than their general student peers.

More than 500,000 college athletes across all three divisions compete for about 1,100 member schools in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and even Canada. Regardless of where they start, student-athletes strive to end each season at one of the NCAA's 90 championships in 24 sports.

The employees at the NCAA's national office oversee all championships, manage programs that benefit student-athletes and support member committees that make rules and policies for college sports. Member schools and conferences ultimately decide which rules to adopt for their division — everything from recruiting and compliance to academics and championships.

The NCAA's diverse members include schools ranging in size from those with hundreds of students to those with tens of thousands. The NCAA's current three-division structure was adopted in 1973 to create a fair playing field for teams from similar schools and provide college athletes more opportunities to participate in national championships.

Among the three NCAA divisions, Division I schools generally have the biggest student bodies, manage the largest athletics budgets and offer the highest number of athletics scholarships. Division II provides growth opportunities through academic achievement, learning in high-level athletics competition and a focus on service to the community. The Division III experience offers participation in a competitive athletics environment that pushes college athletes to excel on the field and build upon their potential by tackling new challenges across campus.





ADVERTISING

All decorations shall comply with the facility signage policy and be approved by the NCAA $^\circ$.

LICENSEES

All items that include NCAA marks must be purchased from NCAA licensees. A current list of NCAA licensees can be found at ncaa.org under the Media Center tab, then under NCAA Licensing.

COMPONENTS OF THE NCAA MEN'S FINAL FOUR® DÉCOR PLAN

- Men's Final Four citywide plan [to include, but not be limited to, competition venue, airport, NCAA headquarters hotel, participating team hotels, downtown proper, etc.].*
- · NCAA fan and community events.
- NCAA sponsors/vendors.
- NCAA projects.*
- * Décor elements must be designed by the NCAA's preferred graphics provider. Printing and installation of décor projects can be produced locally by a provider identified by the NCAA and Local Organizing Committee (LOC).

Please contact your primary LOC décor liaison to obtain a décor project request form.

CITYWIDE

The citywide décor plan shall include, but not be limited to, banners in high traffic areas, the NCAA headquarters hotel, participating team hotels, interior and exterior of the competition venue, NCAA special event locations and the airport, pending ability of the budget to cover such costs. All décor elements must be free of commercial marks unless approved by NCAA championship engagement staff.

The NCAA shall not enter into any joint-indemnification agreements with the LOC in connection with the display of citywide decorations. Co-branding is prohibited unless pre-approved by the NCAA.

CLEAN ZONE

The LOC and the NCAA shall establish areas (within at least a multi-block radius around the primary NCAA and NABC hotels, team hotels, Fan Fest™ venue and competition facility) that — on public property, on the exterior of private property, and on private properties without permanent structures — shall be free of temporary promotional and commercial activities that are not authorized by the NCAA. Every effort should be made to ensure that the host city's airport shall be included as part of the clean zone or the restrictions and guidelines thereof.

The purposes of the clean zone are to: (1) minimize commercialization; (2) create a clean, safe and vibrant environment; and (3) allow the NCAA to offer activities and official events that provide limited and tasteful recognition to selected commercial entities associated with those activities and events. Except where specifically noted, restrictions apply to public and privately owned exterior spaces, and temporarily enclosed spaces.





THE LOGO



ACCESSING NCAA® LOGOS

To access NCAA championship logos, log on to the NCAA's Digital Library located at ncaa-logo.pd.dmh.veritone.com. New users will be required to create a login. Once the digital librarian has granted access, championship logos may be downloaded and used.

For access to the Digital Library, please contact Ali Narracci at anarracci@ncaa.org.

COLOR INFORMATION

WHITE

100% K BLACK	C:0 M:0 Y:0 K:100 R:0 G:0 B:0 #000000 Madeira: 1000 Robinson-Anton: 2632
PMS 2925 CP	C:75 M:18 Y:0 K:0 R:0 G:156 B:222 #009CDE Madeira: 1176 Robinson-Anton: 2435
PMS 1665 CP	C:0 M:82 Y:100 K:0 R:241 G:87 B:37 #DC4405 Madeira: 1021 Robinson-Anton: 2513
PMS 1235 CP	C:0 M:25 Y:94 K:0 R:255 G:184 B:28 #FFB81C Madeira: 1137 Robinson-Anton: 2463
WUITE	C:0 M:0 Y:0 K:0 R:255 G:255 B:255 #FFFFFF

Madeira: 1001 | Robinson-Anton: 2297





FULL-COLOR LOGO

The full-color logo is for use on light or white backgrounds and dark backgrounds. The full-color version of the championship logo represents the full essence of the brand identity and should be used wherever possible, including signage and décor, in multimedia applications, etc.

COLOR INFORMATION

100% K BLACK

PMS 2925 CP

PMS 1665 CP

PMS 1235 CP

WHITE









GRAYSCALE LOGO

The grayscale logo is for use on light or white backgrounds and dark backgrounds. Grayscale versions have been created for use when a one-color logo is required and gradients are achievable (e.g., newspaper advertisements).

COLOR INFORMATION

100% K BLACK

60% BLACK

35% BLACK

15% BLACK

WHITE









TWO-COLOR LOGO

Two-color logos are available for when a two-color logo is required and the grayscale version is not achievable. Be sure to use the proper two-color logo, the NCAA disk should always be lighter than the background. When designing with frosted vinyl or etched glass, the white areas of the two-color logo should be the frosted color.

COLOR INFORMATION

100% K BLACK

WHITE







COMMON MISUSE



Do not alter the proportions of the mark.



Do not skew or distort the mark.



Do not alter the logo's colors.



Do not crop the logo in any way.



Do not rotate the logo.



Do not place the logo over backgrounds not in the brand guidelines.



Do not add strokes or other graphical elements.



Do not place the logo in proximity to any other corporate mark.



Do not reverse the colors of the one-color logo.





CLEAR SPACE

When the logo appears on its own and in design applications, it requires a fixed amount of minimum clear space around it. Text, photos or other graphic elements should never encroach on this space. Designers should use discretion and follow clear space guidelines.

The logo's clear space is determined by the height of the letter F in "Final."









THE VISUAL IDENTITY



COLOR INFORMATION

The foundational colors for the visual identity are derived from the logo's color palette and additional complementary colors to support the visual identity in signage, décor and communication applications.

BLACK	C:0 M:0 Y:0 K:100 R:0 G:0 B:0 #000000 Madeira: 1000 Robinson-Anton: 2632
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PMS 1665 CP	C:0 M:82 Y:100 K:0 R:241 G:87 B:37 #DC4405 Madeira: 1021 Robinson-Anton: 2513
PMS 1235 CP	C:0 M:25 Y:94 K:0 R:255 G:184 B:28 #FFB81C Madeira: 1137 Robinson-Anton: 2463
WHITE	C:0 M:0 Y:0 K:0 R:255 G:255 B:255 #FFFFFF Madeira: 1001 Robinson-Anton: 2297
PMS 188 CP	C:5 M:96 Y:56 K:54 R:118 G:35 B:47 #76232F Madeira: 1021 Robinson-Anton: 2513
PMS 3115 CP	C:70 M:0 Y:13 K:0 R:0 G:193 B:212 #00C1D4 Madeira: 1137 Robinson-Anton: 2463





The fonts used within the context of the 2024 NCAA Men's Final Four® visual identity are shown here and should be used as follows:

Brothers OT Bold — The primary font used for headlines, large applications and signage. Brothers OT Bold should not be used in body copy in any circumstance. These are adobe fonts and can be downloaded here:

https://fonts.adobe.com/fonts/brothers

Legacy — The secondary font to be used as a design element and in lockups alongside Brothers OT Bold. Legacy is an NCAA font. In some cases, Legacy may be used without the slant. For these, you should apply a - 10° slant to a single line of type.

Azo Sans - The body copy font is Azo Sans. Medium is the preferred weight but other weights may be used for different body type applications.

For examples of these fonts being used together, see the typography examples on pages 22-23.

BROTHERS BOLD

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

LEGACY

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

Azo

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz





PATTERNS

Below are various fill patterns that can be used in different applications. Please note, do not use the maroon pattern to flood a space. It can be used in conjunction with other colors and graphics however. When using any of these patterns, a solid matching color should also be placed behind the element.









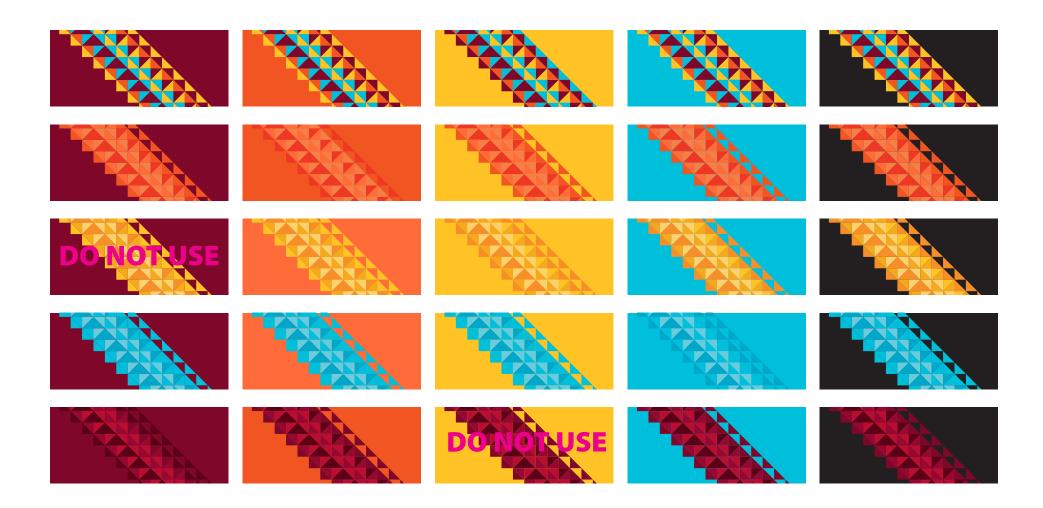






ANGLED PATTERNS

The below patterns can be used in a variety of applications. All potential color variations are shown, however gold/maroon color combinations should be avoided.

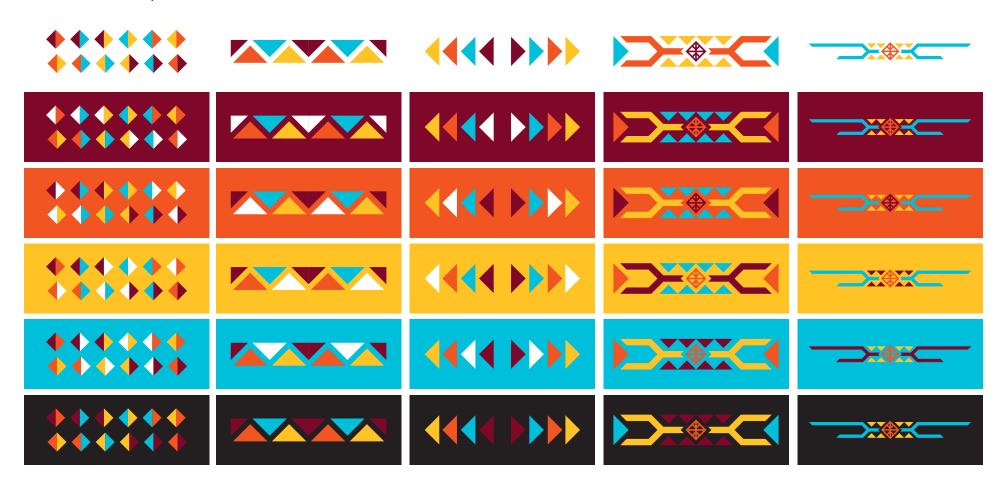






SOUTHWEST ICONS

These icons are designed to work with the entire visual identity. The icons have been inspired by southwestern artwork and fabric patterns. These can be used in a variety of ways and colors. The diamonds on the left can be split apart and used individually. An Adobe Illustrator brush has been created for some that is available with the other elements from the visual identity.







ADDITIONAL ICONS

The below icons can be used in any number of instances. They can also be combined with other elements within the visual identity. The state outline can be used as shown, filled with pattern, filled with a solid color or have different landscapes within its borders.















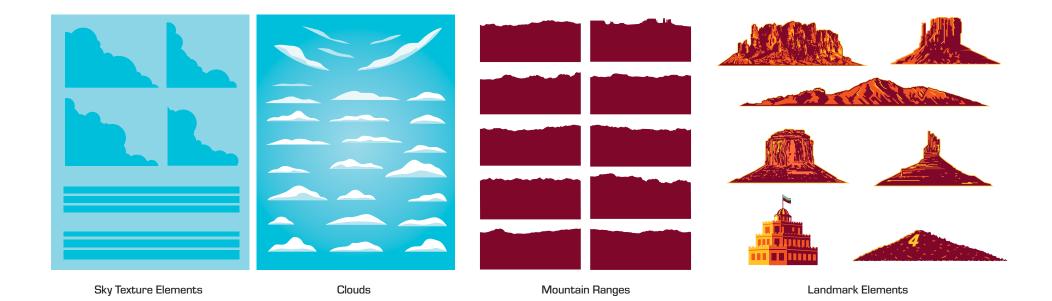






LANDSCAPE ELEMENTS

These elements have been provided to create different unique landscapes for a variety of compositions. There are more available within the visual identity package. See further instructions on assembling these on page 24.

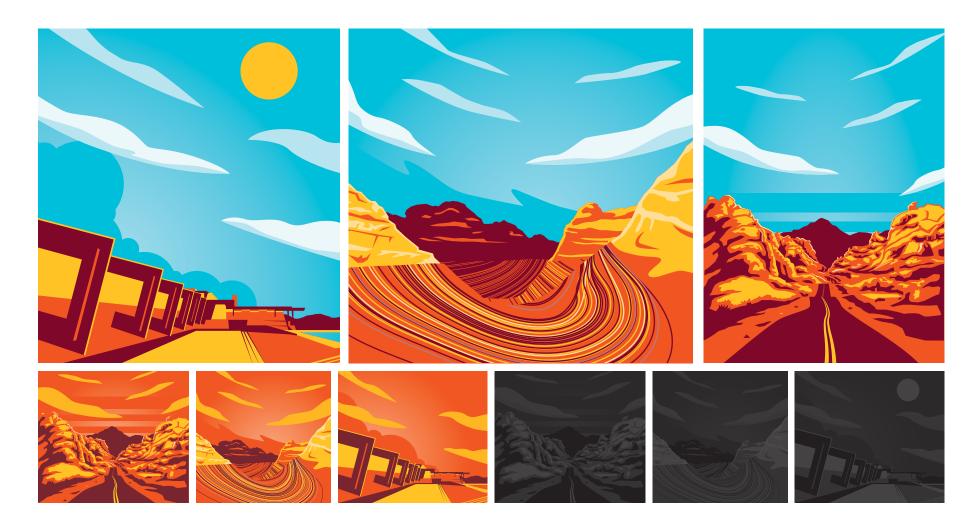






PREPARED LANDSCAPES

A variety of illustrations have been provided that can be cropped into different shapes as desired. The clouds/sun can be moved or changed if needed depending on the composition. Options for sunset and night are also included.







TYPOGRAPHY LOCKUPS

These type treatments have been designed to integrate with the visual identity and boldly communicate information about the event throughout the décor. The type treatments consist of a combination of two fonts: Brothers OT Bold and Legacy.

The lockups should be recolored as needed to create visual contrast in the composition for legibility. Additional lockups may be designed as needed, but should follow the principles set here. Lockups should always contain the registered trademark symbol (®) and/or trademark symbol (™) where necessary. These may be used in colors from the palette; see the compositions starting on page 26 for examples.

















AND THEN
THERE WERE



ENDS HERE

PHX2024

AND THEN THERE WERE FOUR®

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TEAM-SPECIFIC TYPOGRAPHY LOCKUPS

Team-specific type treatments have been designed to represent the teams participating in the event. The team-specific type treatments also consist of Brothers OT Bold and Legacy, but have been recolored in the approved team color palettes.

These type lockups are for placement only and should be recreated once the four teams have been determined.



























BUILDING COMPOSITIONS

The following guidelines explain how the visual identity is applied while building landscape compositions. Following these guidelines will ensure consistency throughout applications. Compositions are built with varying layers of elements so designers should use the below as general guidelines.

LAYER 1: LOGOS

The 2024 NCAA Men's Final Four logo should be placed on the top layer.

LAYER 2: FOREGROUND

Foreground landmarks should go on this layer.

LAYER 3: MOUNTAIN RANGE

Mountain range graphics should be placed on this layer and extend from edge to edge. They can also be combined for longer stretches, however care should be used where they overlap so the continuation looks natural.

LAYER 4: CLOUDS

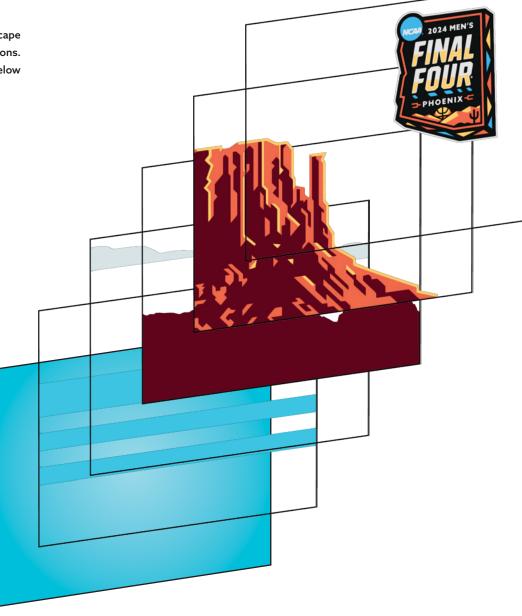
Clouds should be added to this layer. Clouds can be straight across or all curved depending on the composition.

LAYER 5: SKY TEXTURE

Sky texture elements should go on this layer and be solid fill of the darkest color that's in the background.

LAYER 5: SKY

The sky should be a gradient of 3115 CP from 50% to 100%. This can be a radial or straight gradient that is lightest near the horizon.





MOTION PRINCIPLES

The main drivers of the visual identity are the triangle patterns/angles and landscape illustrations. Using the triangle patterns, constant color shifting of the triangles and using 45° angles for transitions and dividers. The landscapes should be represented as 2D elements within a 3D environment so the foreground elements are moving faster than the background mountain ranges and clouds.

















VERTICAL COMPOSITIONS

The elements in this décor package were designed to work cohesively. As elements are applied, the visual identity begins to take shape, creates visual excitement and draws the viewer in. The combination of collages, colors and type treatments gives this event a wide range of design application opportunities.













HORIZONTAL COMPOSITIONS

These horizontal compositions are examples of how the elements can be used to create color breaks for placement of logos and messaging. These compositions will work well applied to fascia, fencing, horizontal video boards, email headers and more.















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KANSAS JAYHAWKS MIDWEST REGION CHAMPIONS





NCAA® TRADEMARKS



Using the trademark, its symbols and NCAA guidelines:

NOTE: These general guidelines do not include merchandise designs. All product designs must be submitted through the NCAA licensing program administered by the Collegiate Licensing Company. Inquiries should be directed to the NCAA licensing staff.

All uses of NCAA trademarks must be submitted to the NCAA championship engagement staff or its designees for approval.

Accurate reproductions of NCAA logos may be obtained through the NCAA Logo Library. For access to the logo library, please contact Ali Narracci at anarracci@ncaa.org. Trademark insignias are fact-sensitive and depend upon the location of the trademark and how it is used. In any advertising, headline or graphic using NCAA marks, the insignia ™ or ® as noted in the NCAA trademark list should be used. Trademarks used in text, if not part of a headline or graphic, should include the insignia with the first use.

Location of the insignias is also fact-sensitive. In the case of NCAA Men's Final Four, an ® is required after NCAA and after Men's Final Four. The NCAA owns "NCAA" and "Men's Final Four," but "NCAA Men's Final Four" is not a registered mark in itself: NCAA® Men's Final Four®.

NCAA TRADEMARKED PROTECTION LANGUAGE

NCAA trademarks should have notice of ownership language in a discreet location proximate to the trademark use. The legal notice often is located at the bottom of a page in smaller font or "mouse print."

The examples below are written only to represent the most typical examples. If you are unsure of exact wording for a specific example, please work with Ali Narracci (anarracci@ncaa.org) for assistance and clarification.

For NCAA blue disk and/or wordmark, please use:

NCAA is a trademark of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

For NCAA blue disk and/or wordmark used with another NCAA trademark, please use (for example):

- NCAA and March Madness are trademarks of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.
- NCAA and Final Four are trademarks of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.
- NCAA, Road to the Men's Final Four and NCAA Sweet Sixteen are trademarks of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

For NCAA blue disk and/or wordmark and another NCAA trademark used with other authorized business entities, please use (for example):

 NCAA, March Madness and Men's Final Four are trademarks of the National Collegiate Athletic Association. All other licenses or trademarks are property of their respective holders.



WORKING WITH NCAA TRADEMARKS

This list consists of NCAA-owned or licensed trademarks dedicated to the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship.

4 Miler™

68 TEAMS, ONE DREAM®

And Then There Were Four®

Elite 8®

Elite Eight®

Elite 90™

Experience It Live™

F4™

Final 4®

Final Four®

Final Four Friday®

First Four®

March Madness®

March to the Madness™

March Mayhem™

Midnight Madness®

National Collegiate Athletic Association®

NCAA®

NCAA Basketball®

NCAA Championships®

NCAA Sweet 16®

NCAA Sweet Sixteen®

NCAA Team Works®

NCAA Ticket Exchange®

Next Generation Sunday®

Read to the Final Four®

Road to the Final Four®

Selection Sunday®

Share The Experience™

The Big Dance®

The Final Four®

The NCAA Experience® (NCAA Hospitality Program)

The Road Ends Here®

The Road Starts Here®

The Road to the Final Four®

All uses of NCAA trademarks must be submitted to the NCAA Men's basketball staff or its designees for approval.

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LICENSED PRODUCTS

Any items with NCAA trademarks, logos or references must be produced by an official NCAA licensee and/or official equipment supplier. The LOC or facility must assume financial responsibility for royalties and related costs associated with any premiums produced. To source a product or premium item, the partner should contact The Collegiate Licensing Company (CLC). If CLC is unable to identify a current NCAA licensee to provide the specific premium item or product, CLC will sublicense on a short-term basis a company that can provide the specific item or product. Please note that this policy applies for all uses of NCAA-branded products and/or premium items, including internal and external promotional programs, internal incentive programs or any other use. For more information regarding NCAA licensees and premium item royalties, contact CLC at 770-956-0520.

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