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Memphis Tigers destroy Tulsa to remain perfect to qualify for a bowl



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MEMPHIS- The Memphis Tigers hosted Conference rival Tulsa on Saturday, October 4, 2025 at Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium. The Tigers dominated Tulsa on both sides of the ball for a 45-7 blowout. The win brought the Tigers' season record to 6-0. They became the first FCS team to obtain bowl eligibility. They also have the nation's longest winning streak at 10 games. The Tigers are now ranked number 23 in the AP poll.

Quarterback Brendon Lewis threw for 266 yards and 3 touchdowns. He also ran for a touchdown. Running back Sutton Smith ran for a touchdown. Greg Desrosiers caught a touchdown pass. The Tigers rushed for 191 yards for the game. They had 457 yards of total offense. The Tigers scored on 7 of their first 9 possessions.

The Tigers' defense contributed

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to the dominance as well. They forced 3 interceptions and 2 fumbles. They had Tulsa to 71 rushing yards and only 246 total yards. Tulsa did not score at all in the second half.

With regard to their first ranking of the season, Head Coach Ryan Silverfield said, "Hopefully we continue to win football games and hopefully there continues to be positive headlines about this group and about this program. We want to continue to see that leaping Tiger, that Memphis logo, on national television week after week and people talking about us in a positive light — not only about this athletic department, this football program, but our great city."

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Memphis has a bye week coming next week. They return to action at UAB on October 18th.

Grizzlies announce regional broadcast schedule, partnering with FanDuel Sports Network

MEMPHIS, Tenn. – The Memphis Grizzlies announced the television and radio broadcast schedules for the 2025-26 season. FanDuel Sports Network, the official broadcast partner of the Grizzlies, will televise 73 of 80 games with two games to be scheduled at a later date in connection with the Emirates NBA Cup. The Grizzlies' radio flagship station, 92.9 FM ESPN Radio, will broadcast all contests during the 2025-26 season.



Ford Dealers.

Pete Pranica and Brevin Knight return for their 22nd and 16th seasons as play-by-play and analyst, respectively, for the Grizzlies, while Rob Fischer enters his 19th season as the team's sideline reporter. All FanDuel Sports Network regional regular season broadcasts will feature the pregame and postgame show, Grizzlies LIVE, presented by Ford and your Mid-South Ford Dealers. Fischer will host Grizzlies LIVE for all telecasts alongside Pranica and

Knight. Grind City Media's Chris Vernon, entering his 13th season, joins Grizzlies LIVE for all home telecasts with Grind City Media's Michael Wallace, entering his 10th season, joining as scheduled.

Starting Oct. 27, the all-new "FanDuel Sports Network Live Countdown Show" will air weekdays one hour prior to the start of Grizzlies LIVE. The show will be hosted by Stan Verrett and tap into the network's regional talent lineup to give fans an inside look at each nightly matchup, combining on-site reporting and analysis, look-ins to warmups, breaking news and more. Additionally, fans can tune into The Warm Up Show 30 minutes before Grizzlies LIVE at every Grizzlies home game on the Grind City Media Mobile App, YouTube

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SAF announces 2025 award winners at 40th Annual Gun Rights Policy Conf.

BELLEVUE, Wash. — Oct. 6, 2025 — During the 40th annual Gun Rights Policy Conference (GRPC), the Second Amendment Foundation (SAF) presented several prestigious awards to honor those who have gone above and beyond in the advocacy of our Second Amendment rights over the past year.

"We were honored to present awards to those in the Second

Amendment space who are deserving of such a distinction," said SAF founder and Executive Vice President Alan M. Gottlieb. "This year's recipients are the people who are on the front lines fighting for our civil liberties and who unapologetically support SAF's work — whether in the courtroom, the lecture hall or in the media. It was a privilege to share the stage with these award

winners and to publicly recognize their achievements over the past year."

This year's awards and recipients include:

- Golden Bowtie Award:** Presented to people and/or organizations who have made significant contributions of time, talent and treasure to SAF and its mission.
- Chris Cox**, gun rights advocate and influential legislative strategist
- Defender of Liberty:** Awarded to individuals and/or organizations for their significant contributions to defending the Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms.
- Mike Harris**, Director of Public Policy, Gun Owners' Action League
- Edward Paltzik**, Litigation Counsel for SAF, Of Counsel to Houston-based firm Taylor Dykema
- Bryan Strawser**, Chairman of the Minnesota Gun Owners Caucus
- Ava Flannell**, Vice-President of Legislative Engagement, Col-

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Memphis Madness moves downtown with “Ballin’ on Beale” on October 16

MEMPHIS, Tenn. – Memphis men's and women's basketball are bringing the party downtown this fall as the Tigers host Memphis Madness Presents Ballin' on Beale, sponsored by Campbell Clinic, on Thursday, Oct. 16, at 6 p.m.

For the first time, the annual preseason fan event will be held on historic Beale Street, with Memphis Athletics partnering with Beale Street Management to create a high-energy, family-friendly festival celebrating

Admission to Memphis Madness is free.

Tiger Basketball.

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The 90-minute showcase will feature performances by the Mighty Sound of the South, the spirit squads and live music from DJ Mic Tee. Fans can also enjoy food trucks and vendors in Handy Park, which will be activated as a festival area through-

out the evening.

On the court, the 2025–26 Tigers will be introduced before diving into interactive competitions:

- A game of T.I.G.E.R. between head coaches Penny Hardaway and Alex Simmons.
- A shooting competition featuring Memphis student-athletes alongside fans, alumni and a special round with representatives from St. Jude.

Fans can expect T-shirt tosses,

giveaways and plenty of surprises throughout the night.

To close out the event, both the men's and women's teams will participate in a meet-and-greet and autograph session with fans.

Fans are encouraged to arrive early, wear Tiger blue and pack Beale Street for a night that promises to be uniquely Memphis.

More information will be released in the coming days on Memphis Athletics' social media.

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