

COLLEGEINSIDER.COM POSTSEASON TOURNAMENT SIGNS EXTENDED AGREEMENT WITH CBS SPORTS

CBS Sports Network & CBS Sports Digital to Deliver Exclusive Coverage of CIT

BOSTON, MA -- CollegeInsider.com and CBS Sports have agreed to a new, multi-year deal granting CBS Sports Network and CBS Sports Digital exclusive rights to every game of the CollegeInsider.com Postseason Tournament.

For the sixth consecutive year, CBS Sports Network is the home of the CIT. This season, CBS Sports Network will televise seven tournament games, including the semifinals and championship game. Also, four (4) first round CIT games on Monday, March 12th will be part of 12 consecutive hours of college basketball coverage on the network, including extensive studio coverage breaking down the 2018 NCAA Tournament.

All remaining CIT games will be streamed live through CBS Sports Digital's subscription OTT service, SportsLive, and WatchCIT.com.

"We are thrilled to have the opportunity to continue our relationship with CBS Sports Network," said College Insider, Inc. President Joe Dwyer. "CBS has long been synonymous with college basketball, so it's great to be working with good folks at CBS Sports Network and CBS Sports Digital through the 10th anniversary of the CIT."

The four first round games will be televised live on CBS Sports Network on Monday, March 12 at 12:00 PM, ET, 2:00 PM, ET, 6:00 PM, ET and 10 P.M., ET and will be the only college basketball games played on the day after Selection Sunday. CBS Sports Network will also televise the CIT semifinals on Wednesday, March 28th at 7:00 PM, ET and 9:00 P.M., and the CIT Championship on Friday, March 30th at 7:00 PM, ET.

This is the 10th anniversary of the CIT and the tournament has served as a showcase for talented players and programs from across the nation. The CIT was created to provide an opportunity to participate in postseason for deserving programs not selected to play in the NCAA Tournament or the NIT.

More schools (25) have made their postseason debut in the CIT than all other tournaments combined during the nine seasons since the CIT was established in 2009. Also, 33 schools have claimed the first postseason victory in program history over the last nine years of the CIT, which is also a record.

The CIT has produced three NBA Lottery picks and two top 10 selections in Weber State's Damian Lillard (6th overall in 2012) When the dynamic Portland Trail Blazers sensation Lillard was named 2012 NBA Rookie of the Year, it marked the first time since 1955 that a tournament, other than the NCAA Tournament had produced the award winner.

The field is selected by a 14-member selection committee, made of current Division I Athletic Directors and Conference Commissioners: Kevin Blue (UC Davis), Jim Donovan (Cal State Fullerton), Ted Gumbart (Atlantic Sun Conference), Tim Hall (UMBC), Kelley Hartley Hutton (Fort Wayne), Ryan Ivey (Austin Peay), Lenny Kaplan (NJIT), Scott Lazenby (Texas A&M Corpus Christi), Eugene Marshall, Jr. (Hampton), Jeremy McClain (Troy), Ed McLaughlin (VCU), Bob Moosbrugger (Bowling Green), Peter Pilling (Columbia), Frank Sullivan (America East Conference).

Jim Donovan (Cal State Fullerton) is the chairman of the Selection Committee.

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