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### COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SEMIFINALS

Last Week's Picks: 4-4, Picks This Season: 47-46-2.

Fiesta Bowl: These are two squads who weren't supposed to be here for different reasons, Miami because they were a bubble team and Ole Miss because Lane Kiffin did the old dine'n'dash before the playoffs. The Hurricane defense, especially up front, has been a revelation in the postseason, while the Rebels may have the most explosive offense remaining in the field. But can they get the stops they'll need, even against a QB as boom-or-bust as Carson Beck? As the last SEC team still standing in what has been a good-but-not-great year for the league, Mississippi carries that gravitas into a game against Miami, who is representing a dismal ACC. But the matchups in the trenches will work in favor of the 'Canes, as they did against Ohio State and, previously, against the SEC's best team for much of the year, Texas A&M. Miami 27, Mississippi 20, so that's the Hurricanes and the under.

Peach Bowl: In a rematch of one of the best and most consequential games of the regular season, the Hoosiers host the Ducks in Atlanta. The October 11 game in Eugene was the true breakthrough win of the Cignetti era after IU came up short in its biggest games in 2024 and was the program's biggest win since the 1967 Rose Bowl. While Heisman Trophy winner Fernando Mendoza and the offense get the majority of attention, the defense has been very strong as well. Oregon's defense is better than advertised also, but it won't be enough. Indiana 24, Oregon 17, so it's the Hoosiers and the under.

### NFL WEEK 18 PICKS

NOTE: Thursday night game picks are always posted at X.com/ TheFDHLounge. Last Week's Picks: 6-9-1 Overall, 0-3 on The Big 3, 0-1 on The Lock. For the season 116-138-5, 26-25 and 9-8. No teams on the bye.

Tampa Bay -3 over Carolina, Seattle -2 1/2 over San Francisco, Green Bay +9 1/2 over Minnesota, Tennessee +13 1/2 over Jacksonville, Dallas -3 1/2 over New York Giants, Cleveland +7 1/2 over Cincinnati, New Orleans +3 1/2 over Atlanta, Miami +11 1/2 over New England, Detroit +3 over Chicago, Buffalo -7 1/2 over New York Jets, Kansas City -5 1/2 over Las Vegas, Denver -13 over LA Chargers, Baltimore -4 over Pittsburgh.

Big 3 Picks: Houston -10 over Indianapolis and LA Rams -8 1/2 over Arizona and the 1,000-Star Lock of the Millennium Pick Philadelphia -4 over Washington.

NOTE: Numbers in parenthesis represent previous power rankings.

#### TOP TIER

- 1 Seattle (26-24-23-14-8-11-2-2-2-1-1-2-2-2-2-1)
- 2 San Francisco (12-11-9-8-9-10-15-11-12-12-13-12-12-11-10-9-4)
- 3 Jacksonville (28-26-25-16-13-9-11-15-15-14-17-14-15-16-15-12-3)
- 4 LA Rams (10-10-8-11-4-6-7-5-5-3-1-1-1-1-1-2)
- 5 Denver (17-15-15-13-11-7-8-9-10-7-7-7-5-7-6-3-6)
- 6 Philadelphia (1-1-1-1-1-1-5-4-4-3-4-3-4-6-8-8-7)
- 7 Chicago (18-20-21-19-18-19-18-14-16-15-14-13-11-5-5-6-8)
- 8 Buffalo (8-3-3-2-2-2-4-6-6-4-5-5-8-8-7-4-5)
- 9 New England (15-18-16-21-20-15-13-12-11-11-10-10-10-9-9-10-10)
- 10 Houston (6-6-13-23-22-16-17-19-14-18-15-16-14-13-11-11-11)
- 11 Green Bay (3-2-2-4-5-4-6-7-7-8-8-9-7-3-3-5-9)
- 12 LA Chargers (7-4-4-3-6-14-14-13-13-12-15-16-14-13-13-12)

#### SECOND TIER

- 13 Detroit (5-8-5-5-3-3-3-1-1-2-2-4-3-4-4-7-13)
- 14 Carolina (30-30-30-27-27-22-16-19-17-19-19-21-17-16-19-14)
- 15 Tampa Bay (11-12-10-9-7-5-1-8-8-10-11-11-13-12-12-14-15)
- 16 Baltimore (4-5-6-6-14-18-25-26-20-16-16-17-18-19-19-15-18)
- 17 Dallas (21-22-22-25-23-22-23-17-17-22-22-20-17-15-17-17-17)
- 18 Pittsburgh (25-23-26-18-17-17-16-20-22-19-18-18-19-20-18-16-16)
- 19 Miami (29-29-29-30-29-29-29-31-29-29-27-23-22-22-21-21-23)
- 20 Atlanta (14-17-14-24-21-21-19-21-24-24-24-25-25-25-25-25-24)
- 21 Minnesota (20-16-20-17-19-20-20-22-23-21-21-21-23-23-23-22-21)
- 22 Cincinnati (13-13-19-22-25-25-28-23-21-20-20-22-20-21-22-23-22)
- 23 New Orleans (32-32-32-32-32-30-27-29-31-31-29-28-28-28-28-27-25)
- 24 Kansas City (2-7-11-12-10-13-10-10-9-9-8-6-10-14-18-19)
- 25 Indianapolis (27-21-12-10-12-8-9-3-3-6-6-6-9-18-20-20-20)

#### THIRD TIER

- 26 Washington (9-9-7-7-15-12-12-18-18-23-23-24-24-24-24-24-26)
- 27 Arizona (19-19-17-15-16-23-24-25-25-25-25-26-26-26-26-26-27)
- 28 NY Giants (31-31-31-31-28-31-21-24-26-26-26-27-27-27-28-28)
- 29 Tennessee (23-25-24-28-31-28-31-30-32-32-32-32-32-30-30-29)
- 30 NY Jets (22-27-27-29-30-32-32-30-30-30-30-30-30-29-29-30)
- 31 Cleveland (24-28-28-26-26-26-30-27-28-28-31-31-29-29-31-31-31)
- 32 Las Vegas (16-14-18-20-24-24-26-28-27-27-28-29-31-31-32-32-32)

### NFL CONFERENCE RANKINGS

BIGGEST RISERS: Atlanta and Miami (4 spots)  
BIGGEST FALLERS: Indianapolis and Kansas City (5 spots),  
Buffalo (3 spots)

1 NFC 235  
2 AFC 293

### NFL DIVISIONAL RANKINGS

(NOTE: Fewest points are the best.)

1 NFC WEST 34  
2 NFC NORTH 52  
3 AFC EAST 66  
4 AFC SOUTH 67

5 NFC SOUTH 72  
6 AFC WEST 73  
7 NFC EAST 77  
8 AFC NORTH 87