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Women's Member Teams

Bemidji State University
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University of Minnesota Duluth
Minnesota State University
University of North Dakota
Ohio State University
St. Cloud State University
University of Wisconsin

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2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013

2014 WCHA FINAL FACE-OFF

March 7-8
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Regular Season Champion Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, Minnesota Duluth Advance to 2014 WCHA FINAL FACE-OFF; Tickets Available Playoff Championship March 7-8 at Sanford Center in Bemidji; UND Takes on Badgers in First Semifinal Friday; Gophers vs Bulldogs in Second Semifinal

MADISON, Wis. – The four teams that finished one through four in the final Western Collegiate Hockey Association regular season standings – Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota and Minnesota Duluth – all won their best-of-three playoff series this weekend to advance to the 2014 WCHA FINAL FACE-OFF at Sanford Center on March 7-8 in Bemidji, Minn.

There will be two semifinals played next Friday (March 7) with No. 3 seed North Dakota (19-11-4) skating against No. 2 seed Wisconsin (27-6-2) at 4:07 pm CT followed by No. 4 seed Minnesota Duluth (15-14-6) against No. 1 seed Minnesota (34-1-1) at 7:07 pm CT. Friday's two winners will play for the league playoff championship on Saturday (March 8) at 7:07 pm CT. The winner of the WCHA FINAL FACE-OFF receives the league's automatic berth into the NCAA Division 1 Women's Ice Hockey Tournament.

The home teams all won in the first round, best-of-three series Feb. 28-March 2. Two-time defending national champion and top-seeded Minnesota, also the two-time defending WCHA FINAL FACE-OFF champion and the top-ranked team in two college hockey polls, won their first round set over No. 8 seed St. Cloud State at Ridder Arena by 4-1 and 7-1 scores. It took all three games but regular season runner-up and No. 2 seed Wisconsin beat No. 7 seed Minnesota State. The second-ranked Badgers sandwiched 4-0 and 2-0 victories around a 3-0 loss to the gritty Mavericks at LaBahn Arena. No. 3 seed North Dakota prevailed in their first round match ups over No. 6 seed Bemidji State at Ralph Engelstad Arena in Grand Forks by scores of 4-1 and 3-2. The second UND victory came in overtime. No. 4 seed Minnesota Duluth won two of three hard-fought games from No. 5 Ohio State at AMSOIL Arena. UMD took a 1-0 decision Friday, only to see OSU score a 3-2 victory Saturday. UMD scored a 5-1 victory Sunday to earn the trip to the conference playoff championship.

WCHA FINAL FACE-OFF Tickets Available

Tickets for the 2014 WCHA FINAL FACE-OFF are still available. Tickets may be purchased at the Sanford Center ticket office, any Ticketmaster retail location, Lueken's Village Foods, charge by phone at 1.800.745.3000, or on-line at www.ticketmaster.com. Ticket prices, which include a facilities fee, are: ALL-SESSION – General Admission/Bench (adult) = \$23; General Admission/Bench = \$20. SINGLE SESSION – General Admission/Bench (adult) = \$15; General Admission/Bench (senior/student/youth) (senior/student/youth) = \$11; General Admission/Bench (group 15+) = \$9.

2013-14 WCHA Standings

	Pts	Conference Only						Overall								
		GP	W	L	T	SW	Win%	GF-	GA	GP	W	L	T	Win%	GF-	GA
1 Minnesota	79	28	26-	1-	1	0	.946	128-	29	36	34-	1-	1	.958	174-	38
2 Wisconsin	66	28	21-	5-	2	1	.786	86-	33	35	27-	6-	2	.800	109-	40
3 North Dakota	48	28	14-10-	4	2	.571	73-	63	34	19-11-	4	.618	94-	71		
4 Minnesota Duluth	43	28	11-11-	6	4	.500	56-	65	35	15-14-	6	.514	84-	80		
5 Ohio State	34	28	9-14-	5	2	.411	56-	75	37	15-17-	5	.473	82-	90		
6 Bemidji State	29	28	8-17-	3	2	.339	47-	88	36	11-21-	4	.361	64-	104		
7 Minnesota State	22	28	7-20-	1	0	.268	46-	92	37	13-23-	1	.365	71-	106		
8 St. Cloud State	15	28	3-21-	4	2	.179	40-	87	36	4-27-	5	.181	48-	111		

(shootout win = 1 additional point)

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Games for Friday, March 7: Semifinal #1: No. 3 North Dakota (19-11-4) vs No. 2 Wisconsin (27-6-2), 4:07 pm CT (NC). Semifinal #2: No. 4 Minnesota Duluth (15-14-6) vs No. 1 Minnesota (34-1-1), 7:07 pm CT (NC).

Games for Saturday, March 8: Championship Game: North Dakota/Wisconsin winner vs Minnesota Duluth/Minnesota winner, 7:07 pm CT (NC).