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2019 WCHA POSTSEASON TOURNAMENT FIELD SET

*Best-of-three quarterfinal series set for campus sites, March 1-3
Final Faceoff slated for Ridder Arena, March 9-10*

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. – Feb. 23, 2019 –With the regular season complete, the field has been set for the 2019 postseason tournament in the Women’s League of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association. Minnesota, the 2018-19 WCHA regular season champion, is the tournament’s top seed and receives an automatic bye into the 2019 WCHA Final Faceoff, held March 9-10 at Ridder Arena in Minneapolis. The League’s other six teams will vie to join the Gophers by winning a best-of-three WCHA Quarterfinal series, held at the home sites of the No. 2-4 seeds the weekend of March 1-3.

The winner of the 2019 WCHA Final Faceoff receives the League’s automatic bid into the National Collegiate Women’s Hockey Championship.

Pairings, locations and start times for the Friday-Sunday, March 1-3 best-of-three WCHA Quarterfinals [* denotes if necessary]:

No. 7 St. Cloud State at No. 2 Wisconsin (LaBahn Arena; Madison, Wis.)

- Game 1 (Friday, March 1): 4:07 p.m. CT
- Game 2 (Saturday, March 2): 3:07 p.m. CT
- *Game 3 (Sunday, March 3): 2:07 p.m. CT

No. 6 Minnesota State at Ohio State (OSU Ice Rink; Columbus, Ohio)

- Game 1 (Friday, March 1): 6:07 p.m. ET
- Game 2 (Saturday, March 2): 3:07 p.m. ET
- *Game 3 (Sunday, March 3): 3:07 p.m. ET

No. 5 Bemidji State at No. 4 Minnesota Duluth (AMSOIL Arena; Duluth, Minn.)

- Game 1 (Friday, March 1): 2:07 p.m. CT
- Game 2 (Saturday, March 2): 2:07 p.m. CT
- *Game 3 (Sunday, March 3): 2:07 p.m. CT

2019 WCHA Final Faceoff

The premier conference tournament in women’s college hockey, the 2019 WCHA Final Faceoff will be held March 9-10, 2019 at Ridder Arena in Minneapolis. Annually featuring a collection of the nation’s highest-ranked programs and best players, the WCHA’s four remaining teams will compete for the league’s playoff championship and an automatic berth to the 2019 NCAA tournament.

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The league's top event and the best weekend of the year for college hockey fans, the three-day 2019 WCHA Final Faceoff weekend is a celebration of the sport's past, present and future.

Saturday, March 9, 2019

- Semifinal Game #1 (No. 1 Minnesota vs. No. 4 remaining seed) – 2:07 p.m. CT
- Semifinal Game #2 (No. 2 remaining seed vs. No. 3 remaining seed) – 5:07 p.m. CT

Sunday, March 10, 2019

- Championship Game – 2:07 p.m. CT

3-Game, All-Tournament Packages

- \$35 – Reserved Chairback seating
- \$25 – General Admission (Adult)
- \$20 – General Admission (Seniors/Students/Youth/Groups of 10+)

Single-Session Packages (either for Saturday's semifinals or Sunday's Championship Game only)

- \$20 – Reserved Chairback seating
- \$15 – General Admission (Adult)
- \$12 – General Admission (Seniors/Students/Youth/Groups of 10+)
- \$10 – General Admission (Groups of 10+)

Ticket packages for the [2019 WCHA Final Faceoff](#) are available for purchase directly through the Gopher Sales & Service Department; in-person at 3M Arena at Mariucci (during regular office hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. CT, Monday-Friday), via phone at 612-624-8080 (Option 1) or online [here](#). Certain fees may apply.

The league's showcase event and the best weekend of the year for women's college hockey fans, the three-day 2019 WCHA Final Faceoff will mark the culmination of the league's 20th Anniversary celebration. The WCHA thanks 2019 Final Faceoff supporting partners [Embassy Suites by Hilton Downtown Minneapolis](#), [Fox Sports North](#), [GELSTX](#), [GoodWood Hockey](#), [Howies Hockey Tape](#), [RBC Wealth Management](#), [The Tearse-Wright Group of RBC Wealth Management](#), [Sports Minneapolis](#) and [Wicked Rags](#).

About Ridder Arena

The first-ever facility built specifically for women's hockey in the country, Ridder Arena is home to the seven-time national champion University of Minnesota Golden Gopher Women's Hockey Program. Since its opening in 2002, Ridder Arena has been a regular host of WCHA Championships (2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2016, 2017 and 2018), NCAA Regionals and Frozen Fours (2010, 2013 and 2015).

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