



2021 DIVISION II MEN'S  
**BASKETBALL**  
**CHAMPIONSHIP**

# ***PARTICIPANT***

## ***2020-21 MANUAL***

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### Section 3 – Schedule of Events

All times listed below are Central time (unless noted).

#### Wednesday, March 17

2 p.m. Teleconference involving only the sports information directors of all advancing teams to the 2021 NCAA Division II Men's Elite Eight. Details on this call have been provided by David Lentz, NCAA media coordinator.

#### Thursday, March 18

1 p.m. ET Microsoft Teams call involving at a minimum, the director of athletics (or his/her designee as the team administrator), head men's basketball coach and sports information director of all advancing teams to the 2021 NCAA Division II Men's Elite Eight. An agenda will be provided on Wednesday, March 17. Representatives from the NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Committee and the local organizing committee will also participate on this call.

Join the meeting via videoconference or via telephone:

- [VIDEOCONFERENCE LINK](#) or
- Dial-in number: 317-550-5692 and Passcode: 403 010 599#

By 1 p.m. ET Teams should submit travel party form (excel), inclusive of 25 individuals in the Tier 1 travel party. Form should be submitted to the following individuals:

- [NCAAClampOps@stratoscope.com](mailto:NCAAClampOps@stratoscope.com)
- [krisewick@evansvillesports.org](mailto:krisewick@evansvillesports.org)
- [emarvin@evansvillesports.org](mailto:emarvin@evansvillesports.org)
- [jbaldwin@ncaa.org](mailto:jbaldwin@ncaa.org)

#### Monday, March 22

All day Teams arrive in Evansville. COVID-19 testing begins for all teams. All testing will take place at the Ford Center.

<u>Team</u>	<u>COVID Testing Time</u>
Team 1	1 p.m.
Team 2	2 p.m.
Team 3	3 p.m.
Team 4	4 p.m.
Team 5	5 p.m.
Team 6	6 p.m.
Team 7	7 p.m.
Team 8	8 p.m.

9 p.m. Mandatory pre-championship meeting **will be held virtually**. Attendees: Head coaches, directors of athletics or designee, sports information directors, NCAA

committee and Evansville Sports Corporation local organizing committee representatives.

Join the meeting via videoconference or via telephone:

- [VIDEOCONFERENCE LINK](#) or
- Dial-in number: 317-550-5692 and Passcode: 672 554 877#

## **Tuesday, March 23**

9:30 a.m. – 9:15 p.m.

COVID-19 testing and practice sessions for participating teams. All testing and practices will take place at the Ford Center.

<u>Team</u>	<u>COVID Testing Time</u>	<u>Practice Time</u>
Team 1	7:45 a.m.	9:30 - 10:50 a.m.
Team 2	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.
Team 3	9:45 a.m.	12:30 - 1:50 p.m.
Team 4	10:45 a.m.	2:00 - 3:20 p.m.
Team 5	11:45 a.m.	3:30 - 4:50 p.m.
Team 6	12:45 p.m.	5:00 - 6:20 p.m.
Team 7	1:45 p.m.	6:30 - 7:50 p.m.
Team 8	2:45 p.m.	8:00 - 9:20 p.m.

Note: Teams will be seeded for the Elite Eight by the Division II Men's Basketball Committee. Practice times and game times will be updated Wednesday morning, March 17.

## **Wednesday, March 24**

7 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

COVID-19 testing and shootarounds for participating teams. All testing and shootarounds will take place at the Ford Center.

<u>Team</u>	<u>COVID Testing Time</u>	<u>Practice Time</u>
Team 1	7:45 a.m.	7:00 - 7:20 a.m.
Team 2	8:45 a.m.	7:30 - 7:50 a.m.
Team 3	9:45 a.m.	8:00 - 8:20 a.m.
Team 4	10:45 a.m.	8:30 - 8:50 a.m.
Team 5	11:45 a.m.	9:00 - 9:20 a.m.
Team 6	12:45 p.m.	9:30 - 9:50 a.m.
Team 7	1:45 p.m.	10:00 - 10:20 a.m.
Team 8	2:45 p.m.	10:30 - 10:50 a.m.

Men's Quarterfinal games:

Noon	Quarterfinal #1 (Webcast on <a href="#">ncaa.com</a> )
2:45 p.m.	Quarterfinal #2 (Webcast on <a href="#">ncaa.com</a> )
6:00 p.m.	Quarterfinal #3 (Webcast on <a href="#">ncaa.com</a> )
8:45 p.m.	Quarterfinal #4 (Webcast on <a href="#">ncaa.com</a> )



## Thursday, March 25

10 a.m. - 1:55 p.m. COVID-19 testing, shootarounds, and media interviews for participating teams. All testing and shootarounds will take place at the Ford Center.

<u>Team</u>	<u>COVID Testing Time</u>	<u>Shootaround Time</u>	<u>Coach Call Time with CBS</u>
Quarterfinal #1 winner	8:15 a.m.	9:45 – 10:35 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
Quarterfinal #2 winner	9:15 a.m.	10:45 - 11:35 a.m.	Noon
Quarterfinal #3 winner	10:15 a.m.	11:45 a.m. - 12:35 p.m.	9:30 a.m.
Quarterfinal #4 winner	11:15 a.m.	12:45 - 1:35 p.m.	9:45 a.m.

Men's Semifinal games:

6 p.m. Semifinal #1. (CBS Sports Network)

8:45 p.m. Semifinal #2. (CBS Sports Network)

## Friday, March 26

9:30 a.m. - 2:15 p.m. COVID-19 testing, practices, and media interviews for participating teams. All testing and practices will take place at the Ford Center.

<u>Team</u>	<u>COVID Testing Time</u>	<u>Practice Time</u>	<u>Media Interview Times</u>
Semifinal #1 winner	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Westwood One / 9 a.m. CBS
Semifinal #2 winner	11:15 a.m.	12:45 – 2:10 p.m.	9:30 a.m. Westwood One / 10 a.m. CBS

3 p.m. Championship game meeting.

Join the meeting via videoconference or via telephone.

- [VIDEOCONFERENCE LINK](#) or
- Dial-in number: 317-550-5692 and Passcode: 632 060 846#

## Saturday, March 27

7 - 9 a.m. COVID-19 testing and shootarounds for participating teams. All testing and shootarounds will take place at the Ford Center.

<u>Team</u>	<u>COVID Testing Time</u>	<u>Shootaround Time</u>
Semifinal #1 winner	7 a.m.	8:10 - 8:30 a.m.
Semifinal #2 winner	8 a.m.	7:30 - 7:50 a.m.

Men's National Championship Game:

11 a.m. Championship game (CBS)

#### Section 4 – Admission to Arena/Credentials

Each team shall submit a team travel party form (excel) by 1 p.m. ET on Thursday, March 18, which was emailed after advancement to the Elite Eight.

Each institution will receive up to 25 credentials. All credentials will be distributed upon arrival in Evansville. No additional credentials will be distributed to participating teams.

For each day of practice and competition, only those 25 credentialed individuals will be admitted. The participant credential must be worn by non-student-athlete personnel for access to courtside, the media area and other secured locations. Credentials must be worn at all times.

**Individuals must complete all Tier 1 testing protocols, as outlined by the NCAA Medical Advisory Team, in order to receive access to the CTZ. Individuals cannot ‘jump’ between tiers, nor is an individual’s tier status transferrable from the Division II Men’s Elite Eight to another site, or vice versa. Anyone falling out of protocol for their given tier group cannot regain status in that tier without first completing the full, appropriate testing protocol.**

**Practice-Day Admittance.** At the pass gate, each of the 25 persons must wear their participant credential for admission to the courtside and locker room areas. Please instruct all participants to display their credentials in a visible manner.

**Game-Day Admittance.** At the pass gate, each team will be met by a facility representative and escorted to its locker room. The participant credential must be worn by all players and administrative personnel. Only 23 individuals will be permitted in the bench area.

**Non-Playing Participant Seating.** Non-playing participant seating will not be offered in 2021, due to COVID-19 protocols. Student-athletes are not permitted to remain in the arena to watch games, other than their own.

**Additional Credential Access.** The NCAA will print all credentials for the 2021 NCAA Division II Men’s Elite Eight. The NCAA media coordinator, in conjunction with the NCAA championship manager, are responsible for distribution of credentials at the tournament.

#### Section 5 – Awards

Additional awards may be ordered after the championship. An institution may only order the award(s) that their team received at the championship. The additional award(s) order can be submitted at the following link: <https://services.mtmrecognition.com/ncaa/>.

##### Elite 90 Award

The Elite 90 award is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average competing at the finals site for each of the NCAA’s 90 championships. Each institution that has at least one student-athlete qualify for the finals round/site is eligible to nominate a student-athlete to win the award for that championship. All ties are broken by number of credits completed. For more information regarding this program, please contact Mark Bedics or Andrew Louthian or Quintin Wright at [elite90@ncaa.org](mailto:elite90@ncaa.org) or 317-917-6222. All documents, including deadlines and nomination forms can be obtained at [Elite 90 forms](#). The submission deadline for nomination for Division II men’s and women’s basketball is noon Eastern time, Friday, March 19.

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### Section 6 – Bands/Spirit Squads/Mascots

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, bands, spirit squads, and mascots will not be permitted at during the 2021 Elite Eight.

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### Section 7 – Banquet

Due to COVID-19 restrictions there will not be a banquet during the 2021 Elite Eight.

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### Section 8 – Drug Testing

Drug testing may occur at any session of the championship. If it occurs at the Elite Eight, escorts will make contact with the student-athletes who are to be tested and will escort them to the drug-testing area after the 10-minute cooling-off period. Student-athletes who are selected for drug testing and scheduled to participate in postgame news conferences shall attend the news conference first, and then shall immediately report to the testing site.

NOTE: NCAA drug testing can be time consuming and team travel plans should be flexible to accommodate possible changes that may occur. Participants who are selected for testing may not leave the drug-testing area until excused by the National Center for Drug Free Sport and/or the NCAA, regardless of team travel schedules.

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### Section 9 – Lodging

Hotel reservations for the official traveling parties (20) for the competing teams have been made at the following hotel:

#### Team Hotel

Doubletree Evansville  
601 Walnut Street  
Evansville, IN 47708

Contact: Ruth Smith  
Sales Manager  
Direct Phone: 812-423-5002 ext. 2  
Cell Phone: 870-688-9597  
Front Desk: 812-423-5002  
Email: ruth.smith@hilton.com

Each team will be assigned 11 doubles and 9 king rooms.

Additional hotel accommodations may be reserved on the request of the participating teams. There are 20 rooms reserved for each school. Participating teams are obligated to confirm or cancel the accommodations.

**Please email your rooming list to the respective sales manager (details above) for your official traveling party directly to the hotel by 5 p.m. Central time, Friday, March 19.**

An institution is not obligated to stay at the designated property; however, it is responsible for the cost of rooms if canceling its reservations and then securing its own accommodations. The participating

institutions are responsible only for the rooms reserved. If an institution prefers to stay at another hotel, it must do the following: (a) Obtain a release for the rooms (in writing) from the hotel general manager; or (b) Use the rooms for persons accompanying the official traveling party. If an institution fails to make satisfactory arrangements for use of rooms with the hotel, full charges for the rooms will be billed to the institution.

## **Section 10 – Medical Information**

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Every attempt will be made to meet any medical need that may arise during the Elite Eight. The following items and services will be provided.

The athletic training facilities are located at the Ford Center. These facilities will be available for all practice sessions (one hour prior) and games (two hours prior). A certified athletic trainer from Progressive Health will be available at all practices and games to help with any medical needs that may arise. Sarah Schiller will coordinate all athletic training room activity.

Modalities that are available for your use throughout the tournament include ice bags, hot packs, ultrasound, paraffin bath and electrical stimulation units. If other treatments are needed, please let Sarah know and we will try to accommodate you to the best of our ability.

Water, ice bags and wound/biohazard supplies will be available on the floor during all practice and game sessions. Water will be provided in your locker room for games. Water will be provided on the benches for games.

Although a limited amount of athletic training supplies will be available, teams participating should bring their own supplies to ensure satisfaction of quality and quantity of anything they may use on a regular basis (i.e., tape, pre-wrap, etc.). The following emergency equipment will be on site – AED, crutches, vacuum splint, flourosan, an ambulance and a wheelchair.

A Deaconess Hospital General Physician and Orthopedic Associates Surgeon will be at all games and on call for the entire tournament. All doctors' visits must be arranged through the staff athletic trainer on site. This will help expedite the process for all involved.

Deaconess Hospital is located approximately one mile away from the Ford Center, and an ambulance will be present at all games.

Please contact us at the numbers listed below if you have any questions or concerns.

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Email: [sarah.schiller@phrehab.com](mailto:sarah.schiller@phrehab.com)

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## Section 11 – Meetings (Administrators and Coaches)

The participating team teleconference is set for 1 p.m. Eastern time, Thursday March 18. All participants should join the meeting via videoconference or via telephone using the information below:

- [VIDEOCONFERENCE LINK](#) or
- Dial-in number: 317-550-5692
- Passcode: 403 010 599#

Additionally, the basketball committee will conduct a mandatory meeting of the directors of athletics or designees, head basketball coaches and sports information directors of the competing teams to review tournament procedures. **The administrative meeting will be held virtually using the information below and is scheduled at 9 p.m. on Monday, March 22.** Participants are reminded to have the pre-championship manual and this manual for the meeting.

- [VIDEOCONFERENCE LINK](#) or
- Dial-in number: 317-550-5692 and Passcode: 672 554 877#

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## Section 12 – News Conferences

News conferences will be conducted virtually and will be arranged prior to arrivals in Evansville.

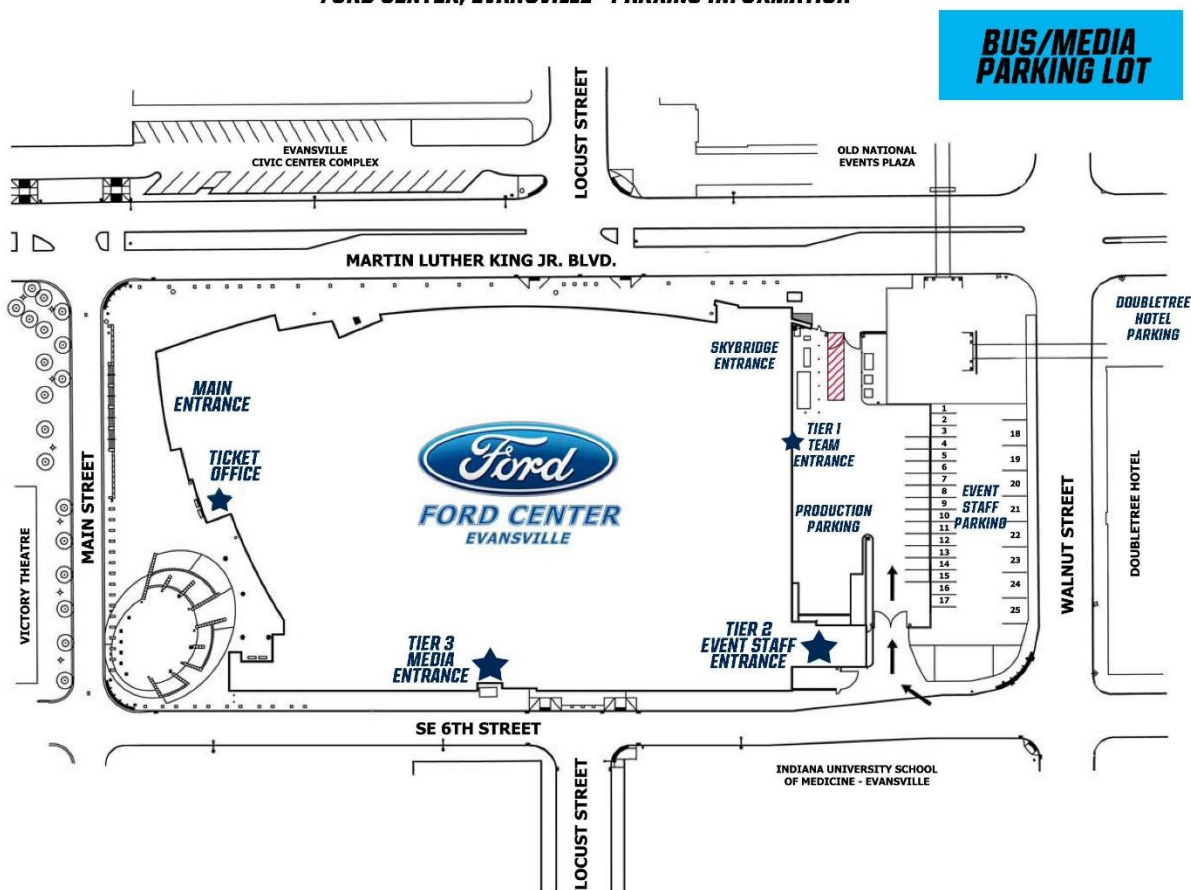
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## Section 13 – Officials

The basketball committees, in conjunction with the Division II National Coordinator of Officials, will select the 12 officials for the Men's Elite Eight.



**2021 NCAA DII MEN'S BASKETBALL ELITE EIGHT**  
**FORD CENTER, EVANSVILLE - PARKING INFORMATION**



**BUS PARKING**

**BUSES SHOULD PARK IN THE EVANSVILLE CIVIC CENTER / OLD NATIONAL EVENT PLAZA PARKING LOT.**

**EVENT STAFF PARKING**

**EVENT STAFF PARKING WILL BE LOCATED IN THE LOT BEHIND THE LOADING DOCK OFF OF SE 6TH STREET. NAME MUST BE ON PARKING LIST TO PARK IN LOT. TIER 2 EVENT STAFF SHOULD ENTER THROUGH THE SINGLE ENTRANCE DOOR LOCATED ON SE 6TH STREET IN THE FAR SOUTHWEST CORNER NEAR THE LOADING DOCK.. MEDIA SHOULD ENTER THROUGH THE TIER 3 ENTRANCE.**

**MEDIA PARKING**

**MEDIA PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE LOT NORTH OF THE OLD NATIONAL EVENTS PLAZA/CIVIC CENTER (BUS PARKING LOT), IU MEDICAL SCHOOL LOT (PAID), OR DOWNTOWN PARKING GARAGES (PAID). MEDIA SHOULD ENTER THROUGH THE SINGLE ENTRANCE DOOR LOCATED ON SE 6TH STREET IN THE FAR SOUTHWEST CORNER OF NEAR THE LOADING DOCK. MEDIA WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PARK IN THE FORD CENTER EVENT STAFF LOT.**

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### Section 15 – Postgame Interviews

The Media Coordinator will work with the SID representing each participating team to ensure that the head coach and a minimum of one player can be interviewed virtually after a 10-minute cooling-off period.

It is mandatory that the head coach and requested player(s) report to the interview area. The interview with the winning coach and player(s) should not exceed 20 minutes and the interview with the eliminated coach and player(s) should not exceed 10 minutes.

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### Section 16 – Practice/Locker Room Assignments

<u>Date</u>	<u>Practice Time</u> *All times are local (Central)*	<u>Locker Room</u> <u>Assignments</u>
<b>Tuesday, March 23</b>		
Team 1	9:30 - 10:50 a.m.	D
Team 2	11:00 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.	C
Team 3	12:30 - 1:50 p.m.	A
Team 4	2:00 – 3:20 p.m.	UE
Team 5	3:30 - 4:50 p.m.	D
Team 6	5:00 - 6:20 p.m.	C
Team 7	6:30 - 7:50 p.m.	A
Team 8	8:00 - 9:20 p.m.	UE
<b>Wednesday, March 24</b>		
TBD	7:00 - 7:20 a.m.	D
TBD	7:30 - 7:50 a.m.	C
TBD	8:00 - 8:20 a.m.	A
TBD	8:30 - 8:50 a.m.	UE
TBD	9:00 - 9:20 a.m.	D
TBD	9:30 - 9:50 a.m.	C
TBD	10:00 - 10:20 a.m.	A
TBD	10:30 - 10:50 a.m.	UE
<b>Thursday, March 25</b>		
Quarterfinal #1 winner	9:45 - 10:35 a.m.	D
Quarterfinal #2 winner	10:45 - 11:35 a.m.	C
Quarterfinal #3 winner	11:45 a.m. - 12:35 p.m.	A
Quarterfinal #4 winner	12:45 - 1:35 p.m.	UE
<b>Friday, March 26</b>		
Semifinal #1 winner	11:00 a.m. - 12:25 p.m.	A
Semifinal #2 winner	12:45 - 2:10 p.m.	UE
<b>Saturday, March 27</b>		
Semifinal #1 winner	8:10 - 8:30 a.m.	A
Semifinal #2 winner	7:30 - 7:50 a.m.	UE

All practice sessions are scheduled at the Ford Center. Competing teams, including team administrators, student-athletes and coaches are not permitted to attend any practice other than their own. The gates will open one hour prior to the start of the first scheduled game of a session. Teams are required to practice Tuesday at their scheduled times. Other practices are optional. No additional practice times are available.

Student-athletes are required to wear shirts/jerseys with their correct jersey number to all practices. Locker rooms are available at the Ford Center and will be assigned as home and visitor. Towels will be made available at the venue for all practices and games.

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#### **Section 17 – Results**

Complete team and individual results and statistics from the Men's Elite Eight will be located on the NCAA website at [ncaa.com](http://ncaa.com).

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#### **Section 18 – Scouting Seats**

Scouting areas will be made available at the Ford Center within the CTZ. Coaches will be permitted to scout only the opponent for their next game; coaches are not permitted to scout any other games.

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#### **Section 19 – Sports Information**

It is imperative that no later than Wednesday, March 17, each Elite Eight participant's sports information directors shall upload the following via the [NCAA Digital Media Hub](#):

- Quick Facts
- Word roster with pronunciation guide
- Combined statistics in a PDF format without shading
- Color athletic logos (JPG and EPS).

Due to COVID-19 restrictions there will not be a media workroom at the Ford Center.

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#### **Section 20 – Tickets**

Each institution will be allotted a minimum of 150 reserved tickets for its quarterfinal session, and at least 150 of these tickets must be located directly behind or across from the team benches. Each institution must complete the ticket order form (see Appendix E) and scan it to Chloe Wellmeyer, at the Ford Center [cwellmeyer@thefordcenter.com](mailto:cwellmeyer@thefordcenter.com) by 5 p.m. Central Time, March 19th. Please note the number of tickets desired (out of the allotment of 150) and if any additional tickets are desired (above 150). Every effort should be made by the participating institution to accurately project the number of tickets that it will use. Seats in the reserved sections will be available on a first come-first served basis.

The institution will be obligated to purchase any tickets not released to Ford Center before the deadline. If any tickets are released before the deadline, the tournament director shall make these tickets available to the participating institutions still desiring to purchase additional tickets.

Participating institutions are not entitled to complimentary tickets. The participating institutions must first purchase tickets, which then may be treated as complimentary tickets for the student-athletes per NCAA bylaws. A "pass gate" system will be administered by each participating institution's representative.



Non-playing Participant Seating. Due to COVID-19 protocols, non-playing participant seating will not be available this year.

Refer to the “Ticket Order Form” (Appendix E) for a breakdown of ticket prices for each session.  
ALL PHONE ORDERS MUST GO THROUGH TICKETMASTER (800-745-3000) OR [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com). Tickets may be purchased in person at the Ford Center Ticket Office to avoid additional service fees. For all other ticket questions, please contact Chloe Wellmeyer at 812-436-7163.

## Section 21 – Transportation

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The Ford Center is located at 1 SE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Evansville, IN 47708. Travel arrangements should conform to NCAA policy. Any deviation from the travel policies contained in the handbook must be pre-approved by someone in the NCAA travel department (317-917-6757); email: [travel@ncaa.org](mailto:travel@ncaa.org).

Institutions within 600 miles from the host site **no are longer required** to use GO GROUND for postseason ground transportation. For 2020-21 championships, institutions have the ability to work directly with bus companies or use their regular-season providers, if in accordance with the NCAA bus safety standards. This transportation will be secured to and from the site of competition and any other transportation needs while competing in NCAA championships. Institutions must use bus companies that meet NCAA safety standards. These safety standards can be found [here](#). Institutions eligible for ground travel will receive reimbursement directly from the NCAA through the NCAA Travel Expense System.

All questions regarding travel again should be directed to the NCAA travel department (317-917-6757).

Teams located outside 600 miles for Division II may use air transportation. All air transportation must be arranged through Short’s Travel Management (866-655-9215).

**Please submit a travel party list online at [www.shortstravel.com/ncaachamps/](http://www.shortstravel.com/ncaachamps/) (all institutions have been assigned a username and password for the system).** Team administrators who do not have access to email, or who prefer to speak with someone about their arrangements may contact Short’s Travel Management at 866-655-9215.

Local transportation is not reimbursable by the NCAA. Participating institutions are responsible for arranging their own local transportation and may do so using the provider of their choice.

All questions regarding travel should be directed to the NCAA travel department (317-917-6757).

*Note: At the end of each fiscal year, the Division II Planning and Finance Committee will determine if there are any funds available to assist member institutions in offsetting local transportation costs. If funds are available, and the Presidents Council authorizes such use, the funds will be distributed to member institutions based on a formula approved by the Planning and Finance Committee.*

Information and a tutorial on the online reimbursement system are located on the NCAA website at: <http://www.ncaa.org/championships/travel/championships-travel-information>.

If you encounter extraordinary circumstances that may necessitate an exception to NCAA travel policies, or if you have any questions about them, please contact the NCAA travel department at the phone number

listed above or via email at [travel@ncaa.org](mailto:travel@ncaa.org), before making any travel arrangements.

Local transportation agencies that service the Evansville Regional Airport in Evansville, Indiana are as follows:

**Cars/Mini vans/15-Passenger Vans**

Alamo	(812) 425-2426
Avis	(812) 423-5645
Enterprise Rent-A-Car	(812) 421-9078
Hertz	(812) 425-7141
National Car Rental	(812) 425-2426

The preferred NCAA rental car providers are Enterprise and National.

**Charter Buses**

Institutions have the ability to work directly with bus companies or use their regular-season providers, if in accordance with the NCAA bus safety standards.

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**Section 22 – Uniforms/Team Benches**

Teams must bring both light and dark uniforms and affix the NCAA Elite Eight uniform patch, which will be distributed at the Elite Eight, to the upper left chest of both sets of jerseys. The designated home team will wear its light uniform. If the team's "light" uniforms are not in a color contrasting with the designated visiting team's uniforms, the visiting team must adjust and wear a contrasting color. The NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Committee will designate uniform and bench assignments.

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**Section 23 – Video Exchange**

The Ford Center will record each game and provide the participating teams with a copy (DVD) immediately after each session. A copy of the team's opponent's game also will be provided. It should be noted that exchange at all rounds of the championship is permitted. Each game will also be uploaded to Synergy.

During the Men's Elite Eight, videotaping by individuals not associated with the institution is prohibited.

## 2021 NCAA DIVISION II MEN'S ELITE EIGHT TICKETS

*All times local (Central)*

Session 1	Wednesday, March 24 Noon – Quarterfinal 2:45 p.m. - Quarterfinal	Session 2	Wednesday, March 24 6 p.m. - Semifinal 8:45 p.m. – Semifinal
Session 3	Thursday, March 25 6 p.m. – Quarterfinal 8:45 p.m. - Quarterfinal	Session 4	Saturday, March 27 11 a.m. Championship

## INDIVIDUAL TICKET PRICES

Session 1	_____	General Admission	@\$20= \$ _____
	_____		_____
Session 2	_____	General Admission	@\$20= \$ _____
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Session 3	_____	General Admission	@\$20= \$ _____
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Session 4	_____	General Admission	@\$20= \$ _____
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Student/Senior Citizen Pass	_____	General Admission	@ \$10=\$ _____
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All Sessions Pass	_____	General Admission	@\$50=\$ _____
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**Student is defined as anyone under 18 or a college student with valid ID. Senior citizen is defined as anyone over the age of 62. Ages 6 and under enter for free.**

Any additional (above the allotment of 150 per institution)? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, indicate quantity and session(s): \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit card number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_

MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ Discover ☐

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return by  
5 p.m. Central time, Friday, March 19, to the following:  
Chloe Wellmeyer  
Ford Center  
Phone: 812-436-7163  
Email: cwellmeyer@thefordcenter.com**

**CODE OF GOOD MANAGEMENT**

The National Collegiate Athletic Association is vitally concerned with assisting member institutions that have been selected to host sessions of its 2021 basketball tournaments in the administration and management of the tournament sessions. Listed below are suggestions designed to prompt host institutions to encourage good sportsmanship among the competing teams and spectators and to ensure safe playing conditions for the participating student-athletes.

1. Good Sportsmanship.

- a. Spectators should not be allowed to assemble around the edges of the court before or at the conclusion of any game.
- b. The tournament director, or his designated representative, should go to the public address system at the first sign of unsportsmanlike crowd behavior and request cooperation in maintaining proper playing conditions.
- c. The tournament director and the basketball committee representative(s) shall stress at the pregame conference with game officials procedures to be followed in the event of a disturbance. They also shall review crowd-control and team-control measures established by the host institution. Through the respective conferences, the officials should have been instructed to enforce strictly all of the playing rules. Both the officials and representatives should be reminded of the significance of these rules.
- d. The same procedures and measures shall be reviewed with representatives of the participating institutions at their pregame meeting.
- e. Literature not related to the game shall not be distributed at any time.
- f. Posted signs, excluding the NCAA and approved television and radio banners, must be removed at the facility's expense, except in Divisions II and III, the official participating institutional banner is permitted.
- g. The tournament director should meet with and encourage cheerleaders to refrain from using derogatory chants directed toward the opposition. If a disturbance is imminent, the cheerleaders should raise arms and request silence, sing the alma mater, or use any other method to defuse any potential disturbance. At least one band should be prepared to play the national anthem if trouble occurs.
- h. Coordinate with the public address announcer a procedure for team introductions, which will project to the crowd that the opposing players and coaches are friendly competitors. Please read the crowd control statement before the start of each game.
- i. The conduct of the respective coaches is the single most important factor in crowd control. They must control themselves during the game in order to set the proper example for the teams, students and spectators. The coaches must assume a leadership role in initiating positive crowd attitudes. Tournament directors should stress this point to coaches and officials.

## 2. Safe Playing Conditions.

- a. Security guards shall be available and shall be located in the vicinity of the team benches and official scorers' table. A good force of officers and ushers should be visible to give an impression of firm control.
- b. The tournament director should give directions to all security personnel, outlining their specific areas of responsibility.
- c. Do not resort to uniformed police officers to control disturbances until necessary. Use non-uniformed security personnel whenever possible.
- d. Adequate exits should be provided.
- e. Use ropes to guide and control the crowd. Please prevent access to the floor level and restrict those seated at courtside from access to the playing floor. The crowd should be informed that persons are not allowed on the floor after any game. The hosts should have sufficient barriers and security in place to keep the floor clear.
- f. The public address announcer is responsible for whatever is said over the public address system. He/she should be enthusiastic, but calm, and always impartial. The tournament director should provide him/her with the NCAA crowd control statement asking the crowd to show respect for all participants. He/she should know the rules of play, particularly concerning conduct of players and partisan fans. He/she should be aware of the procedures established to deal with emergencies.
- g. The public address announcer should not hesitate to advise the crowd that throwing debris is unsportsmanlike and seriously endangers the safety of the competing student-athletes.
- h. Neither cheerleaders nor any non-tournament administrative personnel shall be permitted to use any public address system.
- i. Artificial noisemakers and air horns are not permitted in the venue. They need to be collected at the gate, for return after the conclusion of the session. The use of electronic musical instruments is not permitted during play.
- j. In the event of a disturbance or other unusual conditions, the game officials have authority to suspend play. Immediately thereafter, they should confer with the tournament director and basketball committee representative(s) regarding the desirability of resuming play. After conferring with the tournament director and the basketball committee representative(s), the referee shall determine when play will resume.

The administration, organization and general supervision of each tournament game shall be the responsibility of the tournament director. Your Code of Good Management will help provide safe playing conditions and ensure good sportsmanship towards the competing institutions and the spectators.

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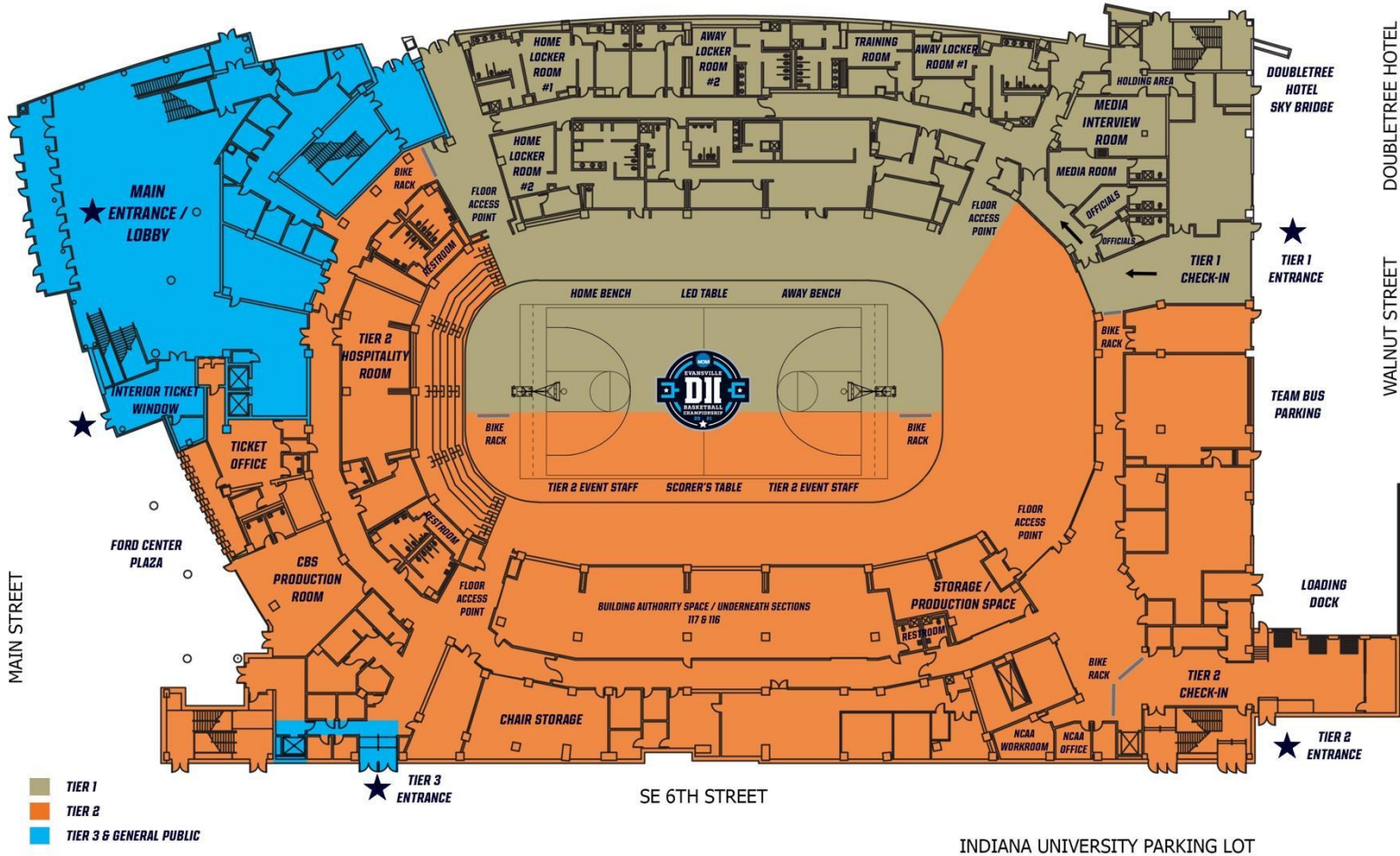
# APPENDIX C



## 2021 NCAA DIVISION II MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FORD CENTER - EVANSVILLE, IN



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# APPENDIX D



## 2021 NCAA DII MEN'S BASKETBALL ELITE EIGHT FORD CENTER - EVANSVILLE, IN COVID TESTING DIAGRAM

