2017 NCAA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT POOL

Welcome to the 2017 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament pool. Pool participants will fill out the tournament bracket, selecting whom they think will win each game and each resulting game between winners in previous rounds until the final tournament winner emerges. There are currently 68 teams that start the single elimination tournament, so 67 games over a span of 7 rounds, taking about two weeks, need to be played to determine the ultimate winner. The winner is the player who correctly picks the outcome of the most games. If there is a tie then the player with the TIE BREAKER closest to the Total points scored in the championship game is declared the winner.

HOW THE POOL WORKS ...

- There will be a \$10.00 Entry Fee to play.
- Scoring: Each round will be given different point values:

First Four 0 pts
First Round Win: 1 pt
Second Round Win: 2 pts
Sweet 16 Win: 4 pts
Elite 8 Win: 8 pts
Final 4 Win: 16 pts
Pick Winner: 32 pts

• <u>Underdog Scoring:</u>

To be awarded an underdog point, you must have predicted a team to win <u>AS</u> an underdog (based on seed), and that same team must actually win <u>AS</u> an underdog (based on seed). If these two do not apply, you will not receive an underdog point.

First Four Underdog Win: 0 pts
First Round Underdog Win: 1 pt
Second Round Underdog Win: 2 pts
Sweet 16 Underdog Win: 3 pts
Elite 8 Underdog Win: 4 pts
Final 4 Underdog Win: 5 pts
Finals Underdog Win: 6 pts

• Tie Breaker:

The tie breaker is used to break ties in total points scored to determine the standings.

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1<sup>st</sup> TIE BREAKER: The Total Points Scored in the Championship Game
2 TIE BREAKER: Picked Tournament Champion
3<sup>rd</sup> TIE BREAKER: Most Teams in Championship
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• Picks:

A picksheet for participants to indicate their selections will be available on Monday, March 13, 2017.

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** ANY GAME NOT FILLED IN WILL COUNT AS A LOSS **
ALL PICKS MUST BE RETURNED BY 12:00 NOON THURSDAY MARCH 16, 2017 NO EXCEPTIONS!
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• Statistics/Standings (Visit the NCAA Tournament Pool Website):

*** Make you selections on-line and get the latest standings and tournament news. *** http://www.zbestofficepools.com

• Prize Money:

First 3 participants with the most points receive prizes.

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1 Place 60% of Prize Fund
2 Place 30% of Prize Fund
3 Place 10% of Prize Fund
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Last Place \$10.00 (Initial Investment)