

2009 Toilet Bowl Schedule

Date	TBA	Name Location	Team	Score	Record Conf.	Team	Score	Record Conf.	Televised Time
As if this would ever happen in December		Best location	Eastern Michigan	0 - 12	vs	Western Kentucky	0 - 12		Oh, really who cares
									

This year the first team to reach this illustrious game is the Eastern Michigan Eagles from the Mid American Conference (MAC). It was really close call for the MAC because at one point there were three MAC teams that did not have a win. I thought there might be an all MAC playoff but I forgot the teams played each other during the season. The Eagles managed to make history this year but I had thought they had turned corner since their 1-11 start in 2006 because in 2007 they were 3-9 and in 2008 they were 4-8. Their season was really bad because in 4 games the opposition scored over 45 points. However, I won't be to harsh on on their 0 and 4 nonconference record and that is because the entire MAC conference was 14 and 34 in all nonconference games which was second only to the SunBelt Conference at 8 and 28. Although eagles are thought to soar and be noble birds, these eagles got their feathers plucked and became flightless birds who just crashed and burned all season long.

The Western Kentucky Hilltoppers from the SunBelt Conference became the final team to make this playoff. It was really touch and go for them because in their last game of the season they were winning 17-3 at halftime. They even lost to a Division I AA nonconference opponent, Central Arkansas. In 5 games their opponents scored over 38 points and one opponent scored 68 and that team was within their own conference. So you ask why haven't I heard about this team. Well, they were part of the SunBelt Conference but mostly played Division I AA teams in football but starting in 2006 a decision was made to join the conference play in football. The two proceeding years they played as independents and upgraded their schedule to play Division I A opponents. You can review their schedules in the archive section but needless to say they progressively got worse. So what's with the nickname of Hilltopper. Honestly, I don't know but you have seen their mascot, Big Red, on ESPN commercials and their logo is a red towel with the letters WKU on their football helmet. No matter what a Hilltopper is their entire season was just one big wet red rag.

There you have it for the 2009 Toilet Bowl, the Eastern Michigan Eagles versus the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers. Maybe the eagle will fly into the towel or hit Big Red or maybe Western Kentucky will just throw in the towel on this game.

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