

2017 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	Oregon State 	1 - 11	PAC 12	vs UTEP 	0 - 12	Conference USA 	

It's becoming a yearly issue who gets the disadvantage of being in this game. It's easy when you loose every game but when you only win 1 game, how do you choose, Well there is no easy logic. Several teams had only 1 win; Baylor, Kansas, Oregon State, Rice, Charlotte. Now you can use statistics or various ranking services who base their determination on myriad of bits of data. I take a different tact and look at who they won against and how did that team fared. I will always rank the win over a FBS team higher than a win over a FCS team So hear goes; Baylor beat Kansas, Kansas beat SE Missouri State (3 - 8 in FCS), Oregon State beat Portland State (0 - 11 in FCS), Rice beat UTEP, Charlotte beat UAB.

My choice is Oregon State in the PAC 12. Listen when your only win is against an FCS team that went 0 - 11 for the season, your team is really bad. In 2014 they were 5 - 7, in 2015 they were 2 - 10, and in 2016 they were 4 - 8. Their coach was recently fired as a possible result from the roll-coaster seasons. So next season will be a fresh start for the new coach as well as the team. The Oregon State Beavers can become very busy and build a new dam and framework to get themselves out of this messy up and down season win/loss structure.

UTEP (University of Texas El Paso) from Conference USA enters as the only team that lost all of its games this year. In 2015 they were 5 - 7 and in 2016 they were 4 - 8. So the team is on a downward spiral and as a result their coach was fired before the end of the season. They have reached the bottom of the mine shaft. Oh, did I forget to mention that their mascot and nickname are the Miners. They haven't found a gold or silver vein (winning record) in the last 3 years. Hopefully, the athletic director can find a suitable new coach who can pick axe his way through a new start for this group of players.

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