

2021-22 MIAC Men's Basketball Preview

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BLOOMINGTON, Minn. - After a condensed season last winter, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) men's basketball teams are ready to return to the court for an anticipated full slate of games this year.

The 2021-22 season officially gets underway this weekend with five non-conference contests set to be played. Just 32 total games were played during the entire 2020-21 season due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The 2021-22 season will also see the MIAC debut of The College of St. Scholastica, which joined the conference on July 1, 2021 as the University of St. Thomas transitioned to NCAA Division I.

Non-conference action begins on Friday, November 5, 2021, and the first conference game of the year is set for Wednesday, November 17, 2021, with regular-season league play scheduled to run through Saturday, February 19, 2022.

The top six teams in the conference standings at the end of the regular season will move on to the MIAC Playoffs. The 2022 MIAC Men's Basketball Playoffs will begin with two quarterfinal contests on Tuesday, February 22, followed by a pair of semifinal games on Thursday, February 24. The 2022 MIAC Men's Basketball Playoff Championship is set for Saturday, February 26, with the winner securing the conference's automatic qualifier to the NCAA Tournament. The 2022 Final Four is scheduled to be played on March 18-19, 2022 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Throughout the 2021-22 season, the MIAC will also honor outstanding individual performances each week with the announcement of the men's basketball Athletes of the Week. Weekly selections will begin on Monday, November 8, and continue on each subsequent Monday through the end of the regular season.

As health and safety guidelines are likely to remain in place for some time and may change throughout the season, fans are encouraged to review the MIAC COVID-19 Winter Competition Plan and refer to each campus' protocols prior to attending events this winter.



2019-20 REWIND

2019-20 Regular Season Champions: Saint John's and St. Thomas

2019-20 Playoff Champion: Saint John's

2019-20 MIAC Playoff Berths: Saint John's, St. Thomas, Augsburg, Bethel, Saint Mary's, St. Olaf

2019-20 NCAA Tournament Berths: Saint John's, St. Thomas

2019-20 Co-Player of the Year: Booker Coplin | G | Augsburg

2019-20 Co-Player of the Year: Jubie Alade | W | Saint John's

2019-20 Sixth Man of the Year: Elijah Hannah | F | St. Thomas

2019-20 Coach of the Year: Johnny Tauer | St. Thomas

LOOKING AHEAD

D3hoops.com Preseason Top 25 Poll: RV Saint John's, RV Saint Mary's

First Non-Conference Date: Friday, November 5

First Conference Date: Wednesday, November 17

Playoff Dates: February 22 (QF), February 24 (SF), February 26 (Championship)

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