SCOREBOARD

LOCAL SCHEDULE

Thursday

COLLEGE INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
- Eastern Oregon at NAIA Indoor Championships, Brookings, South Dakota, all day

PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL
- Portland Christian vs. Union, Class 2A state quarterfinals, Pendleton High School, 8:15 p.m.

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL
- Joseph vs. Triad, Class 1A state quarterfinals, Baker High School, 8:15 p.m.

Friday

COLLEGE INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
- Eastern Oregon at NAIA Indoor Championships, Brookings, South Dakota, all day

MEN'S COLLEGE WRESTLING
- Eastern Oregon at NAIA National Championships, Wichita, Kansas, all day

COLLEGE SOFTBALL
- British Columbia at Eastern Oregon (2), 1 p.m.

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL
Joseph vs. Prairie City or Crosshill Christian, Class 1A state tournament, Baker High School, 9:45 a.m. or 6 p.m.
- La Grande at Marist, Class 4A state playoffs, first round, 7 p.m.

PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL
- Union vs. Monroe or Central Linn, Class 2A state tournament, Pendleton Convention Center, 9:45 a.m. or 3:15 p.m.
- Joseph vs. Crane, Class 1A state tournament semifinals, Baker High School, noon
- Cascade at La Grande, Class 4A state playoffs, first round, 6 p.m.

Saturday

COLLEGE INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
- Eastern Oregon at NAIA Indoor Championships, Brookings, South Dakota, all day

MEN'S COLLEGE WRESTLING
- Eastern Oregon at NAIA National Championships, Wichita, Kansas, all day

COLLEGE SOFTBALL
- British Columbia at Eastern Oregon (2), 11 a.m.

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL
Joseph vs. TBD, Class 1A state tournament, Baker High School, time TBD

PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL
Joseph vs. TBD, Class 1A state tournament, Baker High School, time TBD
Union vs. TBD, Class 2A state tournament, Pendleton Convention Center, time TBD

— Subject to change

BASKETBALL

NBA Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	43	18	.705	—
Boston	42	19	.689	1
Philadelphia	37	25	.597	6½
Brooklyn	27	34	.443	16
New York	19	43	.306	24½

Southeast Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	40	22	.645	—
Orlando	27	35	.435	13
Washington	22	38	.367	17
Charlotte	21	40	.344	18½
Atlanta	19	44	.302	21½

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Milwaukee	53	9	.855	—
Indiana	37	25	.597	16
Chicago	21	40	.344	31½
Detroit	20	43	.317	33½
Cleveland	17	45	.274	36

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	39	21	.650	—
Dallas	37	25	.597	3
Memphis	31	31	.500	9
San Antonio	26	34	.433	13
New Orleans	26	35	.426	13½

Northwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	41	20	.672	—
Utah	39	22	.639	2
Oklahoma City	38	24	.613	3½
Portland	27	35	.435	14½
Minnesota	18	42	.300	22½

Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	47	13	.783	—
L.A. Clippers	42	19	.689	5½
Sacramento	27	34	.443	20½
Phoenix	24	38	.387	24
Golden State	14	48	.226	34

x-clinched playoff spot

All Times PST

Sunday's Games
Milwaukee 93, Charlotte 85
Dallas 111, Minnesota 91
L.A. Clippers 136, Philadelphia 130
Sacramento 106, Detroit 100
Denver 133, Toronto 118
L.A. Lakers 122, New Orleans 114
Washington 124, Golden State 110

Monday's Games
Utah 126, Cleveland 113
Portland 130, Orlando 107
New York 125, Houston 123
Miami 105, Milwaukee 89
Memphis 127, Atlanta 88
Chicago 109, Dallas 107
Indiana 116, San Antonio 111

Tuesday's Games
San Antonio 104, Charlotte 103
Brooklyn 129, Boston 120, OT
Minnesota 139, New Orleans 134
L.A. Clippers 109, Oklahoma City 94
Golden State 116, Denver 100
Toronto 123, Phoenix 114
Sacramento 133, Washington 126
L.A. Lakers 120, Philadelphia 107

Wednesday's Games
Milwaukee 119, Indiana 100
Oklahoma City 114, Detroit 107
Boston 112, Cleveland 106
Memphis 118, Brooklyn 79
Utah 112, New York 104
Miami 116, Orlando 113
Chicago at Minnesota, late
New Orleans at Dallas, late
Washington at Portland, late

Thursday's Games
Denver at Charlotte, 4 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Houston, 5 p.m.
Philadelphia at Sacramento, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Golden State, 7:30 p.m.

Friday's Games
Atlanta at Washington, 4 p.m.
Oklahoma City at New York, 4:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Brooklyn, 4:30 p.m.
Indiana at Chicago, 5 p.m.
Miami at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
Orlando at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
Utah at Boston, 5 p.m.
Memphis at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 6 p.m.
Milwaukee at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.

NCAA Men's College Basketball

AP Top 25
March 2

Team	Record	Pts	Pv
1. Kansas (64)	26-3	1,600	1
2. Gonzaga	29-2	1,514	3
3. Dayton	27-2	1,453	4
4. Baylor	25-3	1,395	2
5. San Diego St.	28-1	1,375	5
6. Kentucky	24-5	1,253	8
7. Florida St.	24-5	1,164	6
8. Seton Hall	21-7	1,145	13
9. Maryland	23-6	1,041	9
10. Louisville	24-6	948	11
11. Creighton	22-7	843	10
12. Duke	23-6	809	7
13. Oregon	22-7	802	14
14. Villanova	22-7	779	12
15. BYU	24-7	756	17
16. Michigan St.	20-9	726	24
17. Auburn	24-5	575	15
18. Iowa	20-9	492	18
19. Ohio St.	20-9	489	23
20. Penn St.	21-8	367	16
21. Houston	22-7	265	25
22. Virginia	21-7	219	-
23. Illinois	20-9	208	-
24. Wisconsin	19-10	179	-
25. Michigan	18-11	94	19

Others receiving votes: Butler 68, UCLA 54, Stephen F Austin 47, ETSU 31, West Virginia 22, Providence 17, Colorado 13, Marquette 12, Arizona 9, Texas Tech 9, N Iowa 4, Oklahoma 4, Stanford 4, Arizona St 4, Wichita St. 2, Saint Mary's (Cal) 2, LSU 2, New Mexico St. 2, Southern Cal 1, Belmont 1, Vermont 1.

NCAA Women's College Basketball

AP Top 25
March 2

Team	Record	Pts	Pv
1. S. Carolina (27)	29-1	747	1
2. Baylor (2)	27-1	713	2
3. Oregon (1)	28-2	700	3
4. Louisville	27-3	641	5
5. UConn	25-3	618	6
6. Maryland	25-4	615	7
7. Stanford	25-5	550	4
8. UCLA	25-4	541	9
9. Mississippi St.	25-5	489	10
10. NC State	25-4	459	8
11. Northwestern	26-3	450	14
12. Gonzaga	28-2	447	11
13. Arizona	23-6	372	13
14. Oregon St.	22-8	331	17
15. Texas A&M	22-7	293	12
16. Kentucky	21-7	259	15
17. South Dakota	27-2	254	20
18. DePaul	25-5	247	16
19. Iowa	23-6	232	18
20. Indiana	23-7	211	22
21. Princeton	24-1	153	23
22. Florida St.	22-7	142	19
23. Missouri St.	24-4	104	21
24. Arizona St.	20-10	75	24
25. Arkansas	22-7	44	-

Others receiving votes: Duke 16, Rutgers 10, Old Dominion 7, Cent Michigan 7, TCU 6, Virginia Tech 4, Marquette 4, James Madison 2, Tennessee 2, Texas 2, LSU 2, Florida Gulf Coast 1.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New York	1	0	0	3	3	2
Atlanta	1	0	0	3	2	1
Montreal	1	0	0	3	2	1
Columbus	1	0	0	3	1	0
Toronto FC	0	0	1	1	2	2
Orlando City	0	0	1	1	0	0
Cincinnati	0	1	0	0	2	3
Chicago	0	1	0	0	1	2
D.C. United	0	1	0	0	1	2
New England	0	1	0	0	1	2
Inter Miami CF	0	1	0	0	0	1
New York City FC	0	1	0	0	0	1
Philadelphia	0	1	0	0	0	2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Minnesota United	1	0	0	3	3	1
Sporting KC	1	0	0	3	3	1
FC Dallas	1	0	0	3	2	0
Colorado	1	0	0	3	2	1
Seattle	1	0	0	3	2	1
Los Angeles FC	1	0	0	3	1	0
San Jose	0	0	1	1	2	2
Houston	0	0	1	1	1	1
LA Galaxy	0	0	1	1	1	1
Real Salt Lake	0	0	1	1	0	0
Nashville SC	0	1	0	0	1	2
Portland	0	1	0	0	1	3
Vancouver	0	1	0	0	1	3

All Times PST

Saturday, February 29
Colorado 2, D.C. United 1
Montreal 2, New England 1
LA Galaxy 1, Houston 1, tie
Toronto FC 2, San Jose 2, tie
Real Salt Lake 0, Orlando City 0, tie
FC Dallas 2, Philadelphia 0
Atlanta 2, Nashville 1
Sporting Kansas City 3, Vancouver 1

Sunday, March 1
Columbus 1, New York City FC 0
New York 3, Cincinnati 2
Seattle 2, Chicago 1
Los Angeles FC 1, Miami 0
Minnesota 3, Portland 1

Saturday, March 7
Chicago at New England, 10:30 a.m.
New York at Real Salt Lake, 11 a.m.
Montreal at FC Dallas, noon
Miami at D.C. United, 12:30 p.m.
New York City FC at Toronto FC, 2 p.m.
Cincinnati at Atlanta, 4 p.m.
Minnesota at San Jose, 5 p.m.
Houston at Sporting Kansas City, 5:30 p.m.
Orlando City at Colorado, 6 p.m.
Vancouver at LA Galaxy, 7 p.m.
Columbus at Seattle, 7 p.m.

Sunday, March 8
Nashville at Portland, 4 p.m.
Philadelphia at Los Angeles FC, 7:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

NHL Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	67	42	13	12	96	220	168
Tampa Bay	66	41	20	5	87	231	185
Toronto	67	35	24	8	78	235	223
Florida	66	33	26	7	73	224	224
Montreal	68	31	28	9	71	209	209
Buffalo	66	29	29	8	66	189	208
Ottawa	67	23	32	12	58	181	231
Detroit	68	15	48	5	35	136	257

Metropolitan Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	66	40	20	6	86	228	204
Philadelphia	66	39	20	7	85	225	192
Pittsburgh	65	38	21	6	82	211	181
N.Y. Islanders	65	35	22	8	78	183	181
Columbus	67	32	21	14	78	175	179
Carolina	64	35	24	5	75	207	183
N.Y. Rangers	66	35	27	4	74	218	206
New Jersey	66	26	28	12	64	177	219

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	67	40	17	10	90	216	185
Colorado	65	40	18	7	87	223	173
Dallas	66	37	21	8	82	178	170
Winnipeg	68	34	28	6	74	204	199
Minnesota	66	33	26	7	73	209	207
Nashville	66	32	26	8	72	208	215
Chicago	66	30	28	8	68	201	209

Pacific Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vegas	68	37	23	8	82	219	202
Edmonton	67	36	23	8	80	214	205
Calgary	67	34	26	7	75	201	206
Vancouver	65	34	25	6	74	214	204
Arizona	67	32	27	8	72	187	178
San Jose	66	29	33	4	62	174	211
Anaheim	66	26	32	8	60	170	211
Los Angeles	66	25	35	6	56	164	206

All Times PST

Sunday's Games
Philadelphia 5, N.Y. Rangers 3
Calgary 3, Florida 0
Columbus 5, Vancouver 3
New Jersey 3, Anaheim 0
Washington 4, Minnesota 3
Los Angeles 4, Vegas 1

Monday's Games
Colorado 2, Detroit 1
Edmonton 8, Nashville 3

Tuesday's Games
St. Louis 3, N.Y. Rangers 1
Montreal 6, N.Y. Islanders 2
Pittsburgh 7, Ottawa 3
Boston 2, Tampa Bay 1
Winnipeg 3, Buffalo 1
Minnesota 3, Nashville 1
Chicago 6, Anaheim 2
Edmonton 2, Dallas 1, OT
Vegas 3, New Jersey 0
San Jose 5, Toronto 2

Wednesday's Games
Philadelphia 5, Washington 2
Columbus at Calgary, late
Anaheim at Colorado, late
Arizona at Vancouver, late

Thursday's Games
Boston at Florida, 4 p.m.
Carolina at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
Montreal at Tampa Bay, 4 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 4 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 4 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Ottawa, 4:30 p.m.
Dallas at Nashville, 5 p.m.
Edmonton at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
Minnesota at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.

Friday's Games
St. Louis at New Jersey, 4 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.
Vegas at Winnipeg, 5 p.m.
Arizona at Calgary, 6 p.m.
Colorado at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Anaheim, 7 p.m.

LOCAL STANDINGS

College Softball

Cascade Collegiate Conference

Team	CCC	All
Southern Oregon	6-0	19-3
Corban	5-1	9-5
College of Idaho	4-2	10-6
Warner Pacific	3-3	11-6
Carroll	3-3	8-7
British Columbia	2-1	3-7
Oregon Tech	2-4	8-9
Eastern Oregon	**2-4**	**3-15**
Providence	1-2	1-7
Northwest Christian	1-5	3-14
Northwest	1-5	3-16

Observer file photo

Callie Glenn, right, and the Union Bobcats begin the state tournamentThursday in Pendleton against Portland Christian.

BOBCATS

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The Bobcats, the regular-season and tournament champions of the Blue Mountain Conference, have the third-ranked defense of the eight teams remaining in the state tourney, allowing a scant 30.3 points per game, and Union has not lost this season when holding teams to less than 45 points. Only one team has managed to reach 50 on the Bobcats, and that was Central Linn — the last team to beat Union and a possible semifinal opponent — 50-27 in early January.

Portland Christian is no defensive slouch either, as the Royals, who tied for the Northwest League title, are giving up just 32 points per game. They have won each game in which they limited teams to 40 points or fewer, which they have done 22 times.

The winner meets the winner of the quarterfinal matchup between Central Linn and Monroe Friday at 3:15 in the semifinals at the Pendleton Convention Center.

Joseph boys meet Triad Thursday in Baker

The Joseph boys basketball team survived a stout battle against South Wasco County Saturday in the second round of the state playoffs to secure the Eagles' return trip to the 1A state tournament at Baker High School.

An even tougher opponent lurks Thursday night when the Eagles square off with second-ranked Triad Thursday in the state quarterfinals.

The Timberwolves enter at 24-4 overall and bring with them the second-best defense of the eight teams to reach Baker, allowing only 38.2 points per game. Triad was the regular-season champion of the Mountain Valley League and went undefeated in league until a loss to Trinity Lutheran in the MVL title game. The only other losses to 1A schools for Triad, which at one point this season won 20 games in a row, are to Damascus Christian and Crosshill Christian, both also in the tournament in Baker. Triad routed Crane 71-43 to reach the quarterfinals.

The Eagles, who are the No. 2 seed from the Old Oregon League at 22-7, have won 12 games in a row against teams aside from defending state champion Nixyaawii, the OOL-North champion and league tournament champion. The Eagles, who have won 20 games for the first time since 2006, have held teams defensively to just 45 points a night.

The winner of the 8:15 p.m. contest meets either Prairie City or Crosshill Christian Friday evening in the state semifinals.

TIGERS

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Each of those losses, though, came during a stretch where the Cougars lost seven times in nine games.

The winner of the 6 p.m. contest will play at 3:15 p.m. March 12 in the state quarterfinals in Forest Grove against either Junction City or Astoria.

LHS boys to battle top-ranked Marist

The La Grande boys basketball team came out of nowhere to win a share of the Greater Oregon League title and the GOL tournament, taking nine of its last 11 games after a 1-10 start.

The Tigers will need to pull off a similar stunner to get to the Class 4A state tournament. They hit the road to face top-ranked Marist in Eugene Friday at 7 p.m.

The Spartans (21-3 overall), who won the Sky Em League with a perfect 10-0 record, enter on a 12-game winning streak and have won 13 in a row at home. Marist, which is averaging 58.8 points per game and allowing 45.2, boasts the best record in 4A and has wins over Seaside, Gladstone, Henley, Hidden Valley, Marshfield and Cascade — all teams in the playoffs — on its resume.

The Tigers (10-12 overall) have the tightest point differential of all but one team in the final 16 with an average offensive output of 53.3 points per game and a defense that allows 52.0. But La Grande has held its last six opponents to 50 points or fewer — all teams it defeated — and is 10-1 when it holds teams to 52 points or less on the season.

La Grande is seeking its first state tournament berth since 2018, while the Spartans are hoping to go for the second year in a row after placing sixth last year.

The winner meets either Seaside or Gladstone at 1:30 p.m. March 12 in Forest Grove.

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