

Big Ten announces future postseason sites

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The Big Ten made a pair of announcements Thursday regarding the future of both its championship game in football and its basketball tournament.

On the football side of things, Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis will remain the site of the Big Ten Championship Game through 2021. It has been the lone site used for the game since it was first established by the conference in 2011.

As for hoops, the Big Ten men's basketball tournament will go back to rotating between the United Center in Chicago and Bankers Life Fieldhouse between 2019-2022. This announcement comes one month after the Verizon Center in Washington, D.C. was named the site for the 2017 Big Ten Tournament. Chicago, which will host next year's tourney, will have it in 2019 and 2021, while Indianapolis reclaims it in 2016, 2020 and 2022.

"These two cities have been tremendous hosts and partners with first-class facilities and an outstanding base of Big Ten alumni and fans who support conference events," Big Ten commissioner Jim Delany said in a statement released by the conference Thursday. "We are proud of the history that we have developed with these two great cities and look forward to maintaining a significant presence in both locations."

Not included in the Big Ten's release was mention of the 2018 Big Ten Tournament, but [according to The Chicago Tribune's Teddy Greenstein, there's a chance it could be held at Madison Square Garden in New York City](#). If this were to happen, it would be the first Big Ten tourney played in The Big Apple.