

# 32 Team College Football Playoff System 2005

**1st Round**

**2nd Round**

**Region  
Championship**

**Final Four**

**National  
Championship**

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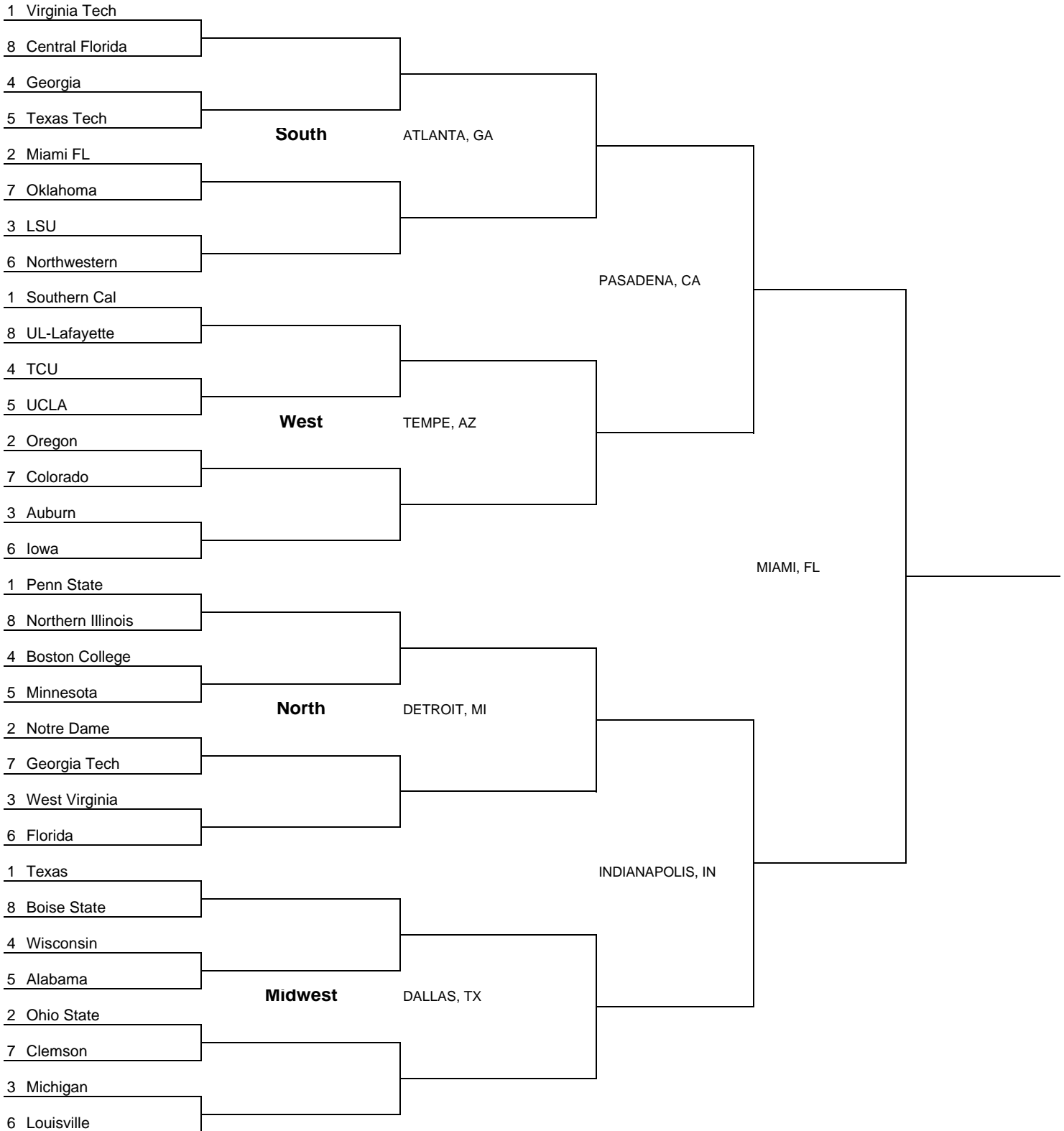
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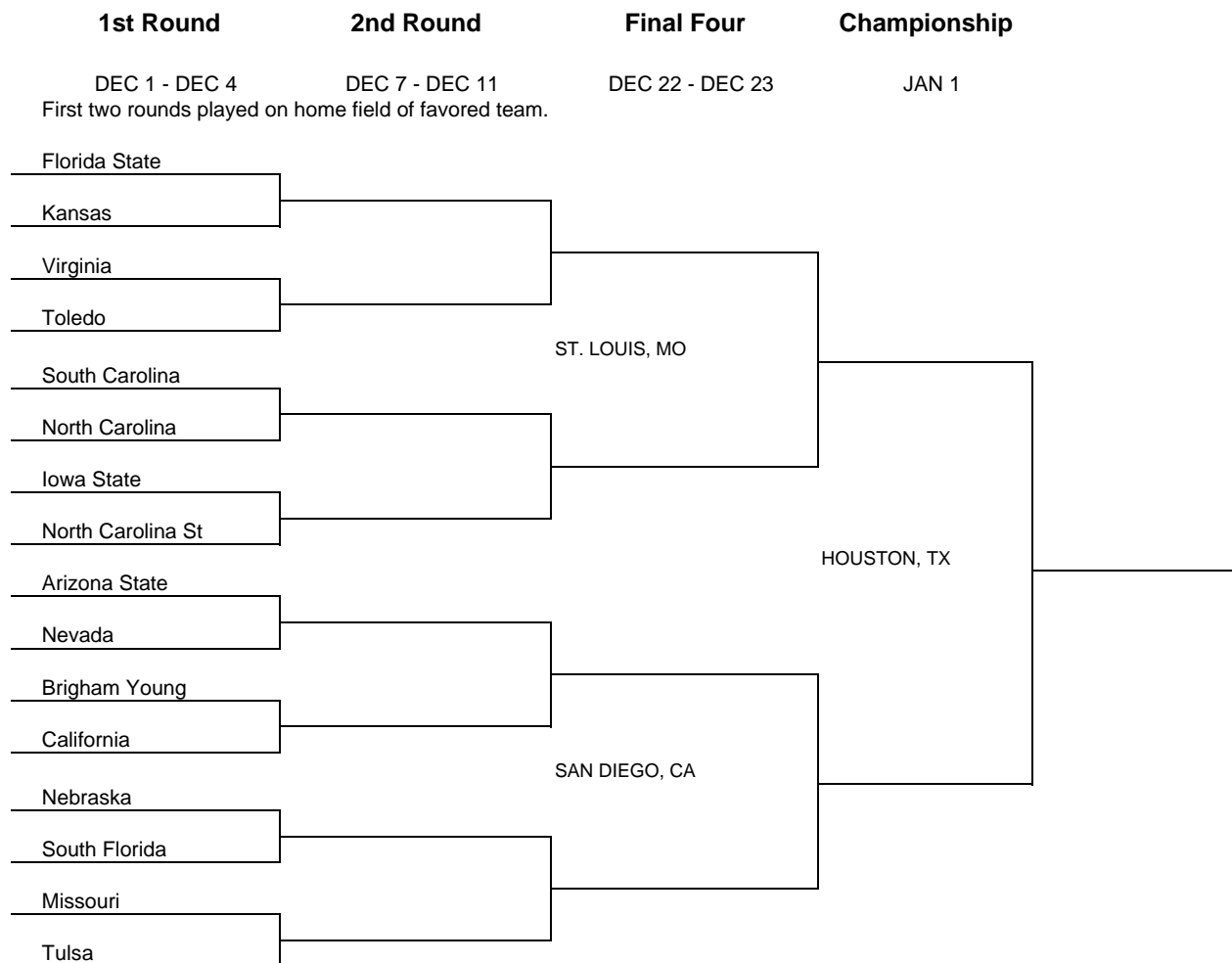
JAN 1

JAN 8

First two rounds played on home field of favored team.  
One full week off after 2nd Round for final exams.



# 16 Team NIT Playoff



All teams are limited to 11 regular season games every year, no exceptions

No conference championship games.

No preseason games.

Regular season ends Thanksgiving weekend.

Similar to basketball, a committee meets to select the 32 teams, seeds, and pairings.

All conference champions get an automatic bid.

Selection committee will use voting and computer polls to select teams and pairings but will be given leeway to make its own decisions on bubble teams.

Selection committee will make it a priority to place teams in geographical regions to limit travel but avoid first round rematches

First two rounds are held on home team's field. Final 8 and on will be at neutral site (7 games).

NIT will be selected in a similar way but with less emphasis will be on fairness and more on creating exciting matchups and sold out stadiums.

Compared to old system

- Less total games

- Less post season travel

- 1/4 the number of teams playing past Dec. 12

- Significantly more revenue to share

- Max number of games for a team: 16 compared to 15 in old system

- More fair and more exciting for fans and athletes