



2026 MINNESOTA GOLDEN GOPHERS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Big Ten Conference - All times Eastern

Updated: July 20, 2026 (Big Ten Championship Game added)

WK	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (ET)	TV
1	Thu, Sep 3	vs Eastern Illinois Panthers	8:00 PM	Peacock
2	Sat, Sep 12	vs Mississippi State Bulldogs	3:30 PM	CBS
3	Sat, Sep 19	vs Akron Zips	12:00 PM	BTN
4	Sat, Sep 26	@ Washington Huskies	TBD	TBD
5	Sat, Oct 3	vs Michigan Wolverines	TBD	TBD
6	Sat, Oct 10	@ Purdue Boilermakers	TBD	TBD
BYE	Sat, Oct 17	Open Date - Bye Week	-	-
8	Sat, Oct 24	vs Iowa Hawkeyes	TBD	TBD
9	Sat, Oct 31	@ Indiana Hoosiers	TBD	TBD
10	Sat, Nov 7	vs UCLA Bruins	TBD	TBD
11	Sat, Nov 14	@ Penn State Nittany Lions	TBD	TBD
12	Sat, Nov 21	vs Northwestern Wildcats	TBD	TBD
13	Fri, Nov 27	@ Wisconsin Badgers	7:30 PM	NBC
CCG	Sat, Dec 5	Big Ten Championship (if qualified)	TBD	FOX

Bold = ESPN-confirmed time/TV. Window games (Early = Noon-1 PM, Afternoon = 3:30-4:30 PM, Night = 6-8 PM, Flex = Afternoon or Night) have a set TV window; exact kickoff and network are announced about six days before each game.

Big Ten Championship Game: Saturday, December 5, 2026 at Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis - team plays only if it finishes top two in the Big Ten.