

# MEDIA INFORMATION

## 2007-08 VANDERBILT BASKETBALL



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# COVERING THE COMMODORES



## GAMEDAY MEDIA POLICIES

### Credentials

The Vanderbilt Media Relations office issues season media credentials to authorized full-time or specified representatives of media outlets who cover Vanderbilt basketball on a regular basis. Single-game credentials also will be available for media who cover the team less frequently, should space allow. Please e-mail or fax credential requests on company letterhead to the attention of men's basketball contact, Andy Boggs.

### Credential Pick-Up

Credentials are available for pick-up at "Media Will Call" located near the playing floor at Memorial Gymnasium. Those media wishing to access "Media Will Call" should enter the service tunnel located at the end of Lot 71 behind the outfield wall of Vanderbilt's Hawkins Field baseball stadium. Proceed through the tunnel until you arrive at the "Media Will Call" table. If enough advance notice is given, credentials can be mailed or sent via next-day carrier at the expense of the media organization making the request.

### Media Parking

Media parking is located inside the 25th Avenue parking garage located at the corner of 25th Avenue and Jess Neely Drive. After parking, please enter Memorial Gymnasium through the service tunnel entrance located at the end of Lot 71 behind the outfield wall of Vanderbilt's Hawkins Field baseball stadium. Vehicles parked in Lot 71 without the proper parking pass will be towed.

### Media Seating

Media covering Vanderbilt basketball games are seated at various locations inside Memorial Gymnasium. 1.) A select number of seats are available on the floor, usually reserved for Nashville beatwriters and radio crews from both schools. 2.) An additional 20 seats are available inside Suite 5 located on the northside concourse, reserved for media following the visiting team and Nashville radio and television media. 3.) More than 40 seats are available in the third-level pressbox for additional media seating needs.

### Media Workroom

Memorial Gymnasium's media workroom is located in the northeast corner of the facility, nearest the opponents' bench. This room will serve as a place for pregame meals as well as an area for the media to work after the game. The room is equipped with both telephone and data ports.

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(615 Area Code)

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### Student Athletics Administration

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Associate Vice Chancellor, Patricia Mariett ..... 322-4831  
Assistant Vice Chancellor, Mona Hicks ..... 343-0494  
Assistant Vice Chancellor & Director of Sports Operations,  
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Director of Sports Operations, Lori Alexander  
(W-Basketball, M/W-Tennis, W-Soccer)..... 322-4118  
Director of Sports Operations, Kevin Colon  
(Baseball, W-Track/Cross Country) ..... 343-4937  
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(Football, W-Bowling, W-Lacrosse)..... 343-6372  
Executive Director National Commodore Club,  
Jeff Ulmer..... 343-3109  
Director of Compliance &  
Senior Women's Administrator, Candice Storey ..... 322-7992  
Director of Academic Support, Elizabeth Wright..... 322-0795  
Director of Marketing & Promotions, Eric Nichols..... 343-6113  
Director of Media Relations, Rod Williamson ..... 322-4121  
Director of Operations & Facilities, Jay Lowe ..... 343-8525

### General Department Phone Numbers

Academics ..... 343-0444  
Business Office ..... 343-1712  
Baseball Office ..... 322-3716  
Basketball Office (Men)..... 322-6530  
Basketball Office (Women)..... 343-8482  
Bookstore (Rand Hall) ..... 322-2994  
Bowling Office ..... 343-5538  
Cheerleading ..... 343-4411  
Compliance ..... 322-7992  
Football Office ..... 322-3565  
Golf Office (Men)..... 343-5342  
Golf Office (Women) ..... 322-4542  
Hendrix Room ..... 343-8303  
Media Relations..... 322-4121  
National Commodore Club ..... 322-4114  
Soccer (Women) ..... 322-4121  
Tennis Office..... 322-6068  
Ticket Office ..... 322-4653  
Track & Field Office (Women)..... 343-2897  
Lacrosse Office (Women) ..... 343-8526

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### General Communications Possibilities

Media sitting in any location inside Memorial Gymnasium have access to the Internet via wireless connection. If you do not have capabilities for such access, please contact Andy Boggs days prior to your arrival at Memorial Gymnasium. A select number of data lines are available.

A limited number of phones are available for local and calling card calls. Please contact a member of the media relations staff if you need your own phone. A fax machine is also available on press row.

### Postgame Interview Format

The Vanderbilt locker room is closed to media following the game. After a 10-minute cooling off period, Coach Stallings will hold a press conference in the postgame media interview room located behind the Vanderbilt locker room in the northwest section of the building. After Coach Stallings, requested Vanderbilt players will be brought to the media interview room. Please make your player requests to the Vanderbilt Media Relations Office. At the visiting SID's discretion, the visiting head coach and players may hold a press conference in the media room following the interview session with Vanderbilt players. Otherwise, the visiting coach and players will be available outside the visitor locker room located near the media workroom in the northeast corner of the facility.

### Road Interview Policy

Vanderbilt's locker room will be closed to the media at road venues. Following a cooling off period, Coach Stallings and selected Commodore players will be available outside of the Vanderbilt locker room or in a formal postgame press conference at the discretion of the home SID.

### Radio

ISDN and telephone lines are provided for visiting broadcasts. A limited number of telephone lines are available at the various media seating locations throughout the gymnasium.



The Vanderbilt Media Relations Office would like to thank a special group that has given countless hours assuring local and traveling media enjoy their visit to Memorial Gymnasium. Joanna Fitzpatrick (left), Irene Womack, Carolyn Cate and Dick Cate, serve as hospitality volunteers in the pregame media room.  
(Not Pictured: Julie Popp)

# COVERING THE COMMODORES

## GENERAL MEDIA POLICIES

### Interviewing the Commodores

Please coordinate all requests for player and coach interviews through Vanderbilt men's basketball media relations director Andre Foushee at least 24 hours in advance. Media should not contact a player or coach directly.

### Practice Coverage

Vanderbilt players and coaches are available for interviews prior to practices on designated days. Practice schedules are sent via e-mail to media multiple times each week during the season to help facilitate coverage. Contact Andy Boggs if you wish to receive these updates. Player interviews typically begin 45 minutes before practice at Memorial Gymnasium. Interviews with Coach Kevin Stallings follow. Media are typically allowed to attend practices. Gameday walk-throughs are closed to the media at both Memorial Gymnasium and all road venues.

### Weekly Teleconference

The Southeastern Conference will conduct a men's basketball coaches teleconference twice each week during the league schedule. The teleconferences take place on Mondays and Thursdays, starting Jan. 7, and conclude March 10. Please contact either the Vanderbilt or SEC Media Relations offices for the teleconference phone number.

#### Schedule (All Times CT)

<b>Kevin Stallings (Vanderbilt)</b> .....	<b>10 a.m.</b>
Billy Donovan (Florida) .....	10:07 a.m.
Dave Odom (South Carolina) .....	10:14 a.m.
Dennis Felton (Georgia) .....	10:21 a.m.
John Brady (LSU) .....	10:28 a.m.
Billy Gillispie (Kentucky) .....	10:35 a.m.
Bruce Pearl (Tennessee) .....	10:42 a.m.
John Pelphrey (Arkansas) .....	10:49 a.m.
Mark Gottfried (Alabama) .....	10:56 a.m.
Jeff Lebo (Auburn) .....	11:03 a.m.
Andy Kennedy (Ole Miss) .....	11:10 a.m.
Rick Stansbury (Miss. State) .....	11:17 a.m.

### www.VUCommodores.com

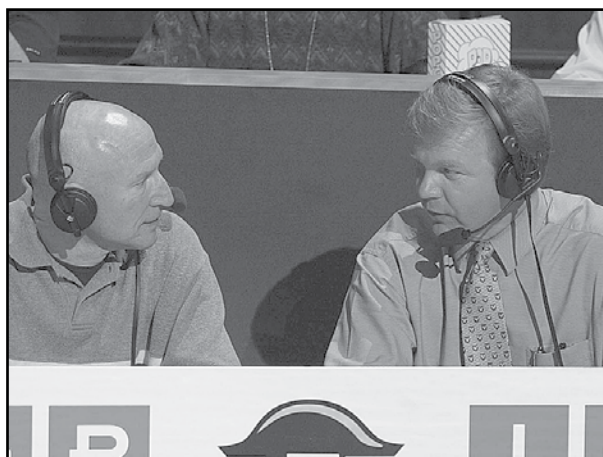
The official web site of Vanderbilt Student Athletics has all of your information needs. Pregame notes, including updated statistics, can be easily downloaded in PDF format. Following each contest is a game summary, boxscore, and postgame notes and quotes.

### Satellite Feeds

Vanderbilt will provide postgame highlight feeds of non-televised SEC contests at Memorial Gymnasium during the 2007-08 campaign. Please contact Andy Boggs for satellite coordinates and schedule information.

### Photography

All photographers are restricted to the designated areas along the baseline opposite the home and visitor benches. Strobe lights may not be installed in Memorial Gymnasium without permission from the Vanderbilt Media Relations office. When using photo images provided by the Vanderbilt Media Relations office, please credit: Vanderbilt Photography.



### Fisher, Thompson Courtside to Call Action on Vanderbilt-ISP Sports Network

Joe Fisher and Tim Thompson are back courtside this season, describing the action of every Commodore game to Vanderbilt followers throughout the Southeast.

Fisher, the Voice of the Commodores, will anchor Vanderbilt play-by-play for the ninth consecutive year. A Nashville native, Fisher also handles the play-by-play broadcasting duties for Commodore football and a selected number of baseball games. He also serves as the Director of Broadcasting for Vanderbilt Student Athletics.

Prior to working for Vanderbilt, Fisher served as a television sports anchor in the Nashville market (1987-1996), with stints at WSMV-4 and WKRN-2. He also worked in the public relations field for two years.

Thompson, who is in his seventh year providing color commentary, played for Vanderbilt from 1975-79, receiving the Outstanding Leader and Civitan Sportsmanship Awards. He currently works with Nike College Sports Marketing.

Broadcast Engineer Bob Horner is in his 27th year courtside producing broadcasts of Commodore basketball. During his tenure, Horner has worked more than 750 games for Vanderbilt.

The broadcasts are produced by International Sports Properties (ISP), the exclusive multi-media rights holder for Vanderbilt. Stacy Hall is the general manager.



### COMMODORE RADIO BROADCAST AFFILIATES

**Ashland City**  
(WQSV-790AM);  
**Benton, Ky.**  
(WCBL-102.3FM);  
**Chattanooga**  
(WDOD-1310AM);  
**Clarksville**  
(WJZM-1400AM);  
**Fayetteville**  
(WEKR-1240AM);  
**Manchester**  
(WMSR-1320AM);  
**Memphis**  
(KWAM-990AM);  
**Nashville**  
(104.5 FM, WGFX);  
**Winchester**  
(WCDT-1340AM)

# DIRECTIONS To MEMORIAL GYM

## DIRECTIONS

### FROM THE SOUTH

Take I-65 North to I-40 West to Exit 209A (Broadway-West End). Turn left to go west on Broadway. When Broadway splits, stay to the right to enter West End Ave. Take West End past the University on the left and turn left on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

### FROM THE NORTH

Take I-65 South to I-40 East to Exit 209B (Broadway-West End). Turn right on Broadway. When Broadway splits, stay to the right to enter West End Ave. Take West End past the University on the left and turn left on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

### FROM THE EAST (AIRPORT)

Take I-40 West to Exit 209A (Broadway-West End). Turn left to go west on Broadway. When Broadway splits, stay to the right to enter West End Ave. Take West End past the University on the left and turn left on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

### FROM THE WEST

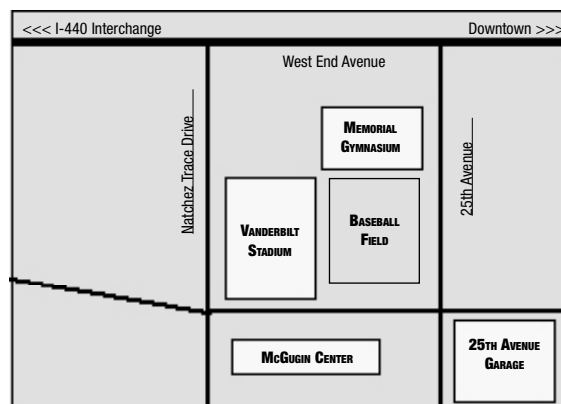
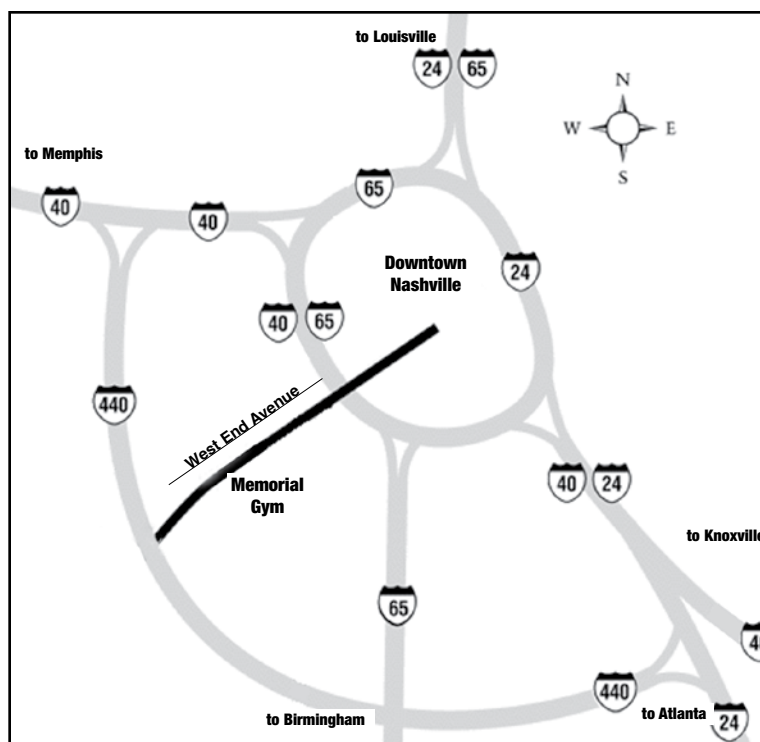
Take I-40 East to I-440 East. Take the West End Exit heading east toward downtown. The Vanderbilt campus will be on your right. Turn right on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

### FROM CHATTANOOGA

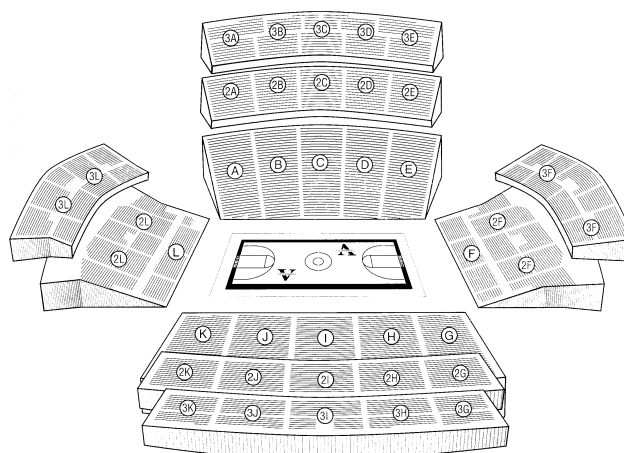
Take I-24 West to I-440 West. Take Exit 1 (West End). Turn right off the exit onto West End Ave. The Vanderbilt campus will be on your right. Turn right on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

## DISTANCES

Athens, Ga. ....	315 miles
Atlanta, Ga. ....	246 miles
Auburn, Ala. ....	299 miles
Baton Rouge, La. ....	452 miles
Birmingham, Ala. ....	188 miles
Chattanooga, Tenn. ....	128 miles
Columbia, S.C. ....	437 miles
Fayetteville, Ark. ....	541 miles
Gainesville, Fla. ....	577 miles
Knoxville, Tenn. ....	178 miles
Lexington, Ky. ....	243 miles
Memphis, Tenn. ....	210 miles
Oxford, Miss. ....	257 miles
Starkville, Miss. ....	330 miles
Tuscaloosa, Ala. ....	247 miles



## MEMORIAL GYM SEATING DIAGRAM





# MEDIA INFORMATION

## AREA MEDIA OUTLETS



### VANDERBILT'S FLAGSHIP: WGFX FM 104.5 "THE ZONE"

Vanderbilt, through its multi-media rights holder ISP Sports, is in its third season with Nashville's 104.5 FM "The Zone" (WGFX) as the Commodores' flagship radio station.

The top-ranked Nashville sports station will air all Vanderbilt men's basketball games, as well as the weekly Commodore Call-In Show with Head Coach Kevin Stallings.

## NEWSPAPERS

### The Tennessean (Nashville AM)

Maurice Patton, beat writer  
David Climer, Joe Biddle, columnists  
1100 Broadway, Nashville, 37202  
Phone: 615-259-8010; Fax: 259-8826

### The Nashville City Paper (M-F)

Brett Hait, beat writer  
P.O. Box 158434, Nashville, 37215  
Phone: 615-298-9833 #254; Fax: 298-2780

### Murfreesboro Daily News Journal (PM)

Greg Pogue, Sports Editor  
224 N. Walnut St., Murfreesboro, 37130  
Phone: 615-278-5167; Fax: 893-4186

### Columbia Daily Herald (PM)

Marion Wilhoite, Sports Editor  
P.O. Box 1425, Columbia, 38401  
Phone: 931-388-6464; Fax: 388-1003

### Nashville Scene (Weekly)

Randy Horick, sports writer  
2120 8th Avenue South, Nashville, 37204  
Phone: 615-244-7989; Fax: 254-4743

### Memphis Commercial-Appeal (AM)

Ron Higgins, SEC beat writer  
495 Union Avenue, Memphis, 38101  
Phone: 901-529-2366; Fax: 529-2362

### Chattanooga Times-Free Press (AM)

Mark Wiedmer, columnist  
P.O. Box 951, Chattanooga, 37401  
Phone: 423-756-1234; Fax: 752-3364

### Vanderbilt Hustler (Student Newspaper)

Box 1504, Station B, Nashville, 37221  
Phone: 615-322-2424; Fax: 322-3762

## WIRE SERVICES

### Associated Press

Teresa Walker, beat writer  
215 Centerville Dr., Brentwood, 37027  
Phone: (615) 373-9988; Fax: 376-0947

## RADIO

### WGFX, 104.5-FM (Flagship)

Mark Howard, Kevin Ingram &  
Frank Wycheck (AM drive time)  
George Plaster, Willy Daunic &  
Darren McFarland (PM drive time)  
506 2nd Avenue South, Nashville, 37015  
Phone: 615-244-9533; Fax: 615-259-1271

### WNSR, AM-560

Greg Pogue & David Coleman (AM)  
Don West (early afternoon)  
Bill King (PM drive time)  
435 37th Avenue North, Nashville, 37209  
Phone: 615-844-1039; Fax: 777-2284

### WLAC, AM-1510

Brent Dougherty, Duncan Stewart &  
Conn Hamlett (evenings)  
55 Music Square West, Nashville, 37203  
Phone: 615-664-2400; Fax: 744-4743

### THE FAN, 106.7-FM

Bob Bell, Jonathan Shaffer &  
Boots Donnelly (evenings)  
10 Music Circle East, Nashville, 37203  
Phone: 615-321-1067; Fax: 291-7268

## TELEVISION

### WKRN-TV, ABC, Channel 2

Gary Stout, Sports Director  
Brandon Fisher, Joe Dubin, reporters  
441 Murfreesboro Road, Nashville, 37210  
Phone: 615-369-7240; Fax: 248-7239

### WSMV-TV, NBC, Channel 4

Rudy Kalis, Steve Wrigley, reporters  
PO Box 4, Nashville, 37202  
Phone: 615-353-2407; Fax: 353-2343

### WTVF-TV, CBS, Channel 5

Hope Hines, Sports Director  
Eric Yutzy, Cami Carmann reporters  
474 J. Robertson Pkwy., Nashville, 37219  
Phone: 615-248-5285; Fax: 244-9883

### WZTV-TV, FOX, Channel 17

Paul Jones, Sports Director  
Amy Fadool, Dan Phillips reporters  
621 Mainstream, Nashville, 37228  
Phone: 615-369-5561; Fax: 369-3299

## TRAVEL, HOTEL AND RESTAURANT INFORMATION

### Airlines

American .....	800-433-7300
Continental .....	800-523-FARE
Corporate .....	888-555-6565
Northwest .....	800-225-2525
Southwest .....	800-435-9792
Trans World .....	800-221-2000
United .....	800-241-6522
US Airways .....	900-256-8267

### Auto Rentals (615)

Armada Vans .....	256-8267
Avis .....	361-1212
Budget .....	366-0822
Enterprise .....	872-7722
National .....	361-7467
Thrifty .....	275-4257

### Bus Lines (615)

Gray Lines Tours .....	275-1180
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### TaxiCabs (615)

Allied Cabs .....	244-7433
American Rivergate .....	865-4100
Music City Taxi .....	262-0451
Yellow Cab .....	256-0101

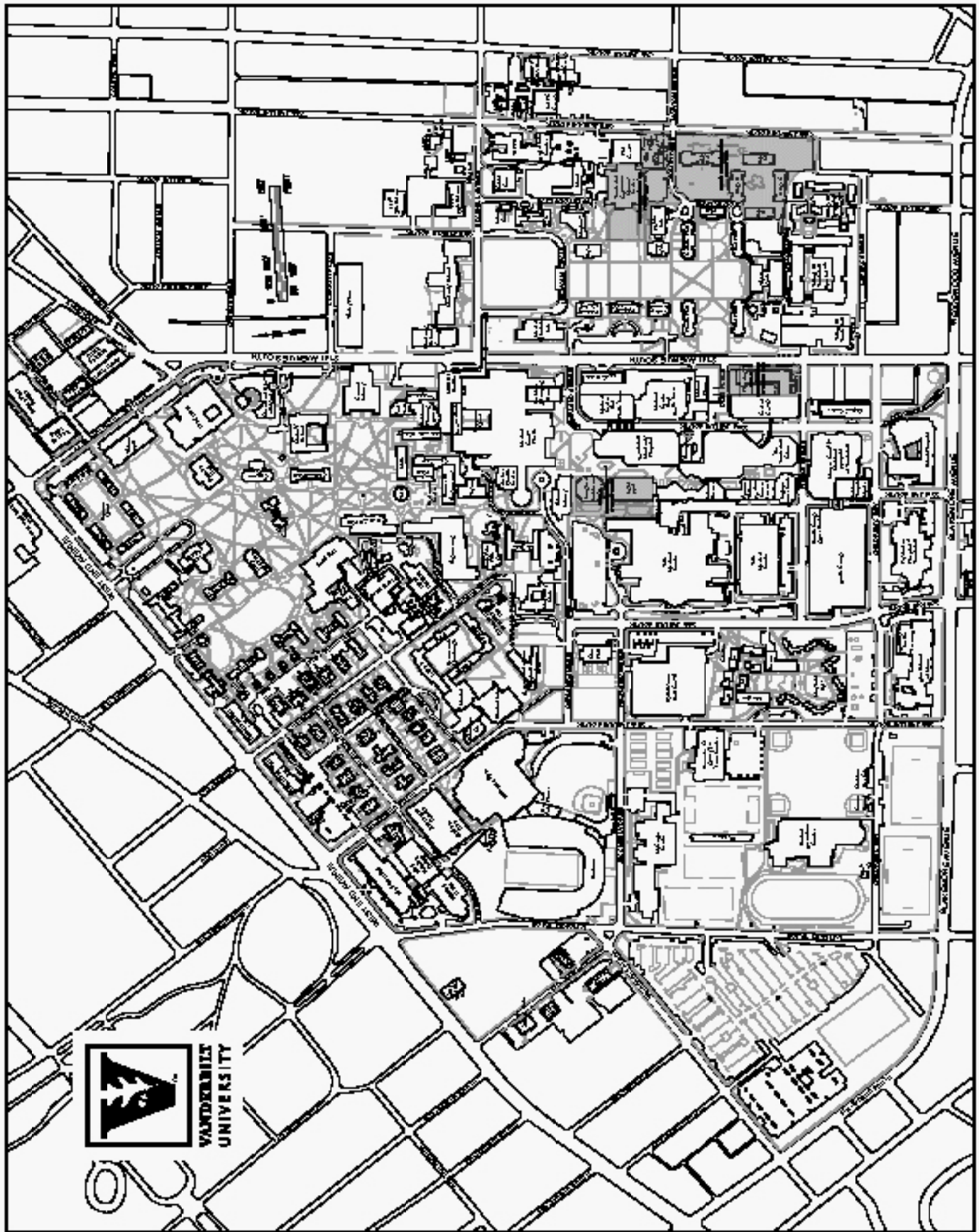
### Hotels (615)

Courtyard by Marriott .....	327-990
1901 West End Avenue	
Hampton Inn & Suites .....	320-6060
2330 Elliston Place	
Hampton Inn .....	329-1144
1919 West End Ave.	
Holiday Inn Select .....	327-5707
2613 West End Ave.	
Vanderbilt Marriott .....	321-1300
2555 West End Ave.	
Loews Vanderbilt Plaza .....	320-1700
2100 West End Ave.	

### Local Restaurants (615)

Blackstone's (Brewery/Pub Fare) .....	327-9969
1918 West End Ave.	
Chili's (American Grill) .....	327-1588
2322 West End Ave.	
Ham & Goody's (Deli) .....	329-0193
2829 West End Ave.	
Logan's Roadhouse (Steak/Casual) ...	320-1161
2400 Elliston Place	
Outback Steakhouse .....	385-3440
3212 West End Ave.	
PF Chang's (Chinese) .....	329-8901
2525 West End Ave.	
Pancake Pantry (American) .....	383-9333
1796 21st Ave. South	
Rotiers (American) .....	327-9892
2413 Elliston Place	
Ted's Montana Grille (American) .....	329-3415
2817 West End	

# CAMPUS MAP



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# COMPLIANCE

## Vanderbilt Mission Statement on NCAA Compliance

It is the goal of Vanderbilt University Athletic Department's Compliance Program to assist coaches and staff by developing and maintaining a compliance program that will educate, monitor and provide interpretations of NCAA and SEC rules. Staff members, student-athletes and supporters of Vanderbilt Athletics are encouraged to consult with the compliance staff when clarification is needed.

## Institutional Control & Compliance

Institutional control of athletics is a fundamental requirement of NCAA legislation. Specifically, the NCAA constitution provides that each institution should be responsible for:

- Controlling its intercollegiate athletics program in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Association.
- Monitoring its programs to ensure compliance, identifying and reporting to the Association instances in which compliance has not been achieved and taking appropriate corrective actions.
- Insuring that members of the institution's staff, student-athletes and other individuals or groups representing the institution's athletics interests comply with all applicable Association rules.

## Representatives of Athletics Interests (Boosters)

*"A Representative of the Institution's Athletics Interest"* (Booster) is an individual who is known (or should be known) by a member or members of the institution's executive or athletic administration to:

- Participate in or have been a member of a sport support group or booster club.
- Provide or have helped arrange employment for student-athletes.
- Have been involved, in any way, with the promotion of the Vanderbilt University athletic program
- **NOTE:** Once a person is identified as a "Representative of the Institution's Athletics Interests," the person retains that identity **FOREVER**.

## Recruiting

Recruitment of prospective student-athletes is the sole responsibility of Vanderbilt coaches. Do not become involved in the process.

## Extra Benefits

Vanderbilt University's athletics interests (boosters) cannot provide an "extra benefit" or special arrangement to a prospect or to an enrolled student-athlete.

An extra benefit would include provision of any transportation, meals, clothes, entertainment, loans, or other benefits offered to a student-athlete or a student-athlete's relatives or friends unavailable to the general student population.

Examples of extra benefits that you cannot provide an athlete include, but are not limited to:

- Signing or cosigning a note with an outside agency to arrange a loan.
- Giving gifts of any kind (e.g., clothing, airline tickets, or holiday cards/gifts) or services (e.g., car repair, dental, free round of golf).
- Providing special discounts for goods and services.

## Consequences to Boosters for NCAA Violations

Institutions are required by the NCAA to notify boosters of consequences regarding rules violations. Boosters found in violation of NCAA rules are subject to losing benefits and privileges, including season tickets.

The NCAA Committee on Infractions has processed cases in which penalties have included both the disassociation of boosters with the institution and the loss of season ticket privileges.

## Remember: Ask Before You Act

Should you have any questions regarding NCAA rules and regulations, please contact the Vanderbilt University Compliance Office at (615) 322-4727, or check on the official website at [www.vucommODOres.com/compliance](http://www.vucommODOres.com/compliance).

