



VANDERBILT

BOWLING

2025-26



NCAA Bowling Championship



APRIL 10-11



PARMA HEIGHTS, OHIO

Yorktown Lanes

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DORE NOTES

UP NEXT

- Vanderbilt bowling, seeded second nationally, will continue the Commodores' quest for the program's fourth national championship on Friday at the National Collegiate Bowling Championship at Yorktown Lanes in Parma Heights, Ohio
- The Dores will face of with No. 3 seed Arkansas State in a mega-match on Friday at 8 a.m. CT
- Other teams competing for the national championship include No. 1 seed Jacksonville State and Wichita State

THE LAST TIME OUT

- After defeating Maryville in the 2026 Rochester Regional final, the Commodores claimed the program's third regional championship and secured Vanderbilt's 11th Final Four Appearance
- Vanderbilt's lineup of Natalie Kent, Alyssa Ballard, Avery Domaguin, Dannielle Henderson and Katelyn Abigania bowled the school's eighth-ever 300 Baker game in the opening round vs. Dominican (N.Y.)
- The Dores won both Day 1 mega-matches vs. Dominican (N.Y.) and Sam Houston State to clinch a spot in the regional final
- Maryville won the mega-match in the championship match, but Vanderbilt swept the Saints in the if necessary best-of-seven Baker match to win the regional

POSTSEASON AWARDS ROLLING IN

- Freshman Abigania was named to the All-Conference USA Second Team
- She also earned a spot on the CUSA and NTCA All-Rookie teams
- Henderson was an All-Conference USA third-team selection

VETERAN EXPERIENCE IN THE LINEUP

- Seniors Ballard and Victoria Varano bring a wealth of high-level experience to the Dores' roster, as both student-athletes were members of the 2023 NCAA championship team
- Varano is a three-time All-American and two-time All-Conference USA honoree
- Ballard was a third-team All-America and all-region selection and named the Southland Bowling League Rookie of the Year in 2022-23
- Henderson, who transferred to Vandy for the 2025-26 season, was named a second-team All-American in 2024-25, anchoring Jacksonville State in the NCAA championship match, where Gamecocks were national runners-up
- Junior Haley Lindley was an All-America honorable mention in 2023-24 and was named to the NTCA All-Rookie first team her freshman year

FRESHMEN ON FIRE

- Abigania and Domaguin have made an immediate impact for Vandy
- Domaguin was named to the Storm Flyer Classic all-tournament team and co-MVP
- Abigania has earned a spot on three all-tournament teams in her debut season
- Abigania swept Conference USA's January awards, being named both bowler and freshman of the month and earning a spot on the league's performers of the month team

2025-26 BOWLING SCHEDULE

Oct. 17-19	Chelsea Gilliam Penguin Classic	Youngstown, Ohio	9-4 (Fifth)
Oct. 26-26	Destination Orlando	Orlando, Fla.	10-3 (Third)
Nov. 7-9	Bulldog Classic	Fort Worth, Texas	11-2 (Third)
Nov. 21-23	Colonial Lanes Classic	Harahan, La.	9-4 (Second)
Jan. 16-18	Northeast Classic	New Castle, Del.	11-2 (Second)
Jan. 23-25	Prairie View A&M Invitational	Arlington, Texas	CANCELED
Feb. 6-8	Storm Flyer Classic	Chicago, Ill.	11-2 (Second)
Feb. 20-22	Big Red Invitational	Lincoln, Neb.	6-7 (Fifth)
March 6-8	Music City Classic	Smyrna, Tenn.	10-3 (Third)
March 17-22	Conference USA Championship	Harahan, La.	1-2
April 3-4	NCAA Regional	Rochester, N.Y.	3-1 (First)
April 10-11	NCAA Championships	Parma Heights, Ohio	

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DORES IN THE RANKINGS

- Vanderbilt is ranked at No. 2 in both the March NTCA coaches poll and NCAA Rating Percentage Index
- The Commodores earned the No. 2 national seed for the NCAA Bowling Tournament

PASSING THE BATON

- The architect of a self-made dynasty that won Vanderbilt's first national championship and recently became the university's first three-time national champion, bowling head coach John Williamson will transition from coaching after 22 seasons
- A four-time NTCA Coach of the Year, Williamson led teams to NCAA championships in 2007, 2018 and 2023 and reached the championship match on three more occasions among 10 Final Four appearances
- At the conclusion of the 2025-26 season, Vanderbilt bowling alumna and current associate head coach Josie Barnes will take over as the program's head coach
- Barnes has been a part of all three of Vandy's national titles as either a student-athlete or coach
- One of the nation's top professional bowlers, Barnes has also won six PWBA titles, including two major crowns, and was named a member of Team USA nine times

EXTENDING THE STREAK

- Vanderbilt bowling has made 19 consecutive NCAA tournament berths, excluding the 2020 season, and looks to extend the streak to 20 this spring. It is the second-longest streak in the sport

ALL-AROUND EXCELLENCE

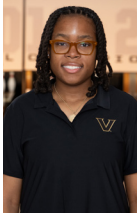
- Eight Vanderbilt bowling student-athletes were named to the Conference USA Commissioner's Honor Roll
- Sydney Bohn and Varano earned the CUSA Commissioner's Academic Medal for achieving a GPA of 3.75 or better
- The bowling team compiled a 3.457 GPA for the 2025 fall semester



#1 Katelyn Abigania | Freshman • San Diego, Calif.

Season Highlights
 >> All-Conference USA Second Team
 >> Conference USA All-Rookie Team
 >> Conference USA Bowler and Freshman of the Month (January)
 >> CUSA Performers of the Month Team (October, January)
 >> Part of the Dores' 300 Baker game at NCAA Regionals
 >> Music City Classic All-Tournament Team
 >> Northeast Classic all-tournament first team
 >> Destination Orlando all-tournament second team
 >> 2026 Team USA and Junior Team USA

Career Honors
 >> 2025 U.S. Amateur Champion
 >> Two-time Team USA
 >> Five-time Junior Team USA



#2 Danielle Henderson | Junior • St. Louis, Mo.

Season Highlights
 >> All-Conference USA Third Team
 >> Part of the Dores' 300 Baker game at NCAA Regionals
 >> Northeast Classic all-tournament first team
 >> Bulldog Classic all-tournament team
 >> 2026 Junior Team USA

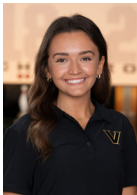
Career Honors (Before Vanderbilt)
 >> 2025 second-team All-American
 >> 2025 USBC Intercollegiate Team champion
 >> 2025 NCAA runner-up with Jacksonville State
 >> 2024 NCAA champion with Jacksonville State
 >> 2025 Team USA



#3 Victoria Varano | Senior • Stony Point, N.Y.

Season Highlights
 >> Northeast Classic all-tournament second team
 >> Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Student-Athlete Involvement Chair

Career Honors
 >> 2023 NCAA champion
 >> Three-time All-American
 >> 2023-24 NTCA All-Region honorable mention
 >> Two-time All-CUSA
 >> Four career all-tournament teams



#8 Haley Lindley | Junior • Greenwood, S.C.

Season Highlights
 >> Member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

Career Honors
 >> All-America honorable mention
 >> NTCA All-Rookie first team
 >> 2023-24 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll
 >> Two career all-tournament teams



#12 Natalie Kent | Junior • Newark, N.Y.

Season Highlights
 >> Part of the Dores' 300 Baker game at NCAA Regionals

Career Honors
 >> Part of the school record 1,237-pin traditional game at the Ladyjack Classic
 >> 2023-24 USBC Intercollegiate Singles semifinalist



#16 Sydney Bohn | Sophomore • Jackson, N.J.

Season Highlights
 >> 2026 Junior Team USA

Career Honors
 >> NTCA First-Team All-Rookie
 >> CUSA All-Rookie Team
 >> Two-time Junior Team USA
 >> CUSA Co-Newcomer of the Month - February 2025



#17 Alyssa Ballard | Senior • Fort Worth, Texas

Season Highlights
 >> Part of the Dores' 300 Baker game at NCAA Regionals
 >> Northeast Classic all-tournament second team

Career Honors
 >> 2023 NCAA champion
 >> 2022-23 third-team All-American
 >> 2022-23 NTCA All-Region
 >> 2022-23 SBL Newcomer of the Year
 >> SBL Bowler of the Month (November 2022)
 >> SBL Newcomer of the Month (November 2022, January and February 2023)
 >> Two tournament MVP awards, six all-tournament teams



#18 Avery Domaguin | Freshman • San Diego, Calif.

Season Highlights
 >> Part of the Dores' 300 Baker game at NCAA Regionals
 >> Storm Flyer Classic co-MVP and all-tournament team
 >> 2026 Team USA and Junior Team USA
 >> Third at the 2026 U.S. Amateur

Career Honors
 >> Three-time Junior Team USA



24. Saphyre Nofuente | Sophomore • Rocklin, Calif.

Season Highlights
 >> Conference USA Performers of the Month Team (February)
 >> Storm Flyer Classic all-tournament first team
 >> Northeast Classic all-tournament second team
 >> 2026 Junior Team USA

Career Honors
 >> Ranked No. 7 in school history for high individual game (289 pins)



#32 Tamia Yeager | Freshman • Tacoma, Wash.

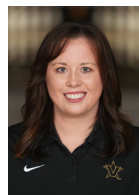
Season Highlights
 >> Saw game action at the Colonial Lanes Classic

Career Honors
 >> Three-time Dexter High School All-American



John Williamson | Head Coach • 22nd season

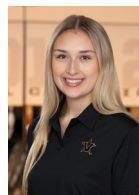
Coaching Highlights
 >> Three NCAA titles
 >> Three NCAA runner-up finishes
 >> Four Southland Bowling League championships
 >> Four-time NTCA Coach of the Year
 >> 52 tournament titles
 >> Four NTCA Players of the Year
 >> Seven NTCA Rookies of the Year
 >> 18 first-team All-America selections
 >> 64 total All-America selections



Josie Barnes | Associate Head Coach • 15th season

Coaching Highlights
 >> Two NCAA titles
 >> Three NCAA runner-up finishes
 >> Four Southland Bowling League championships
 >> Two NTCA Players of the Year
 >> Four NTCA Rookies of the Year
 >> 11 first-team All-America selections
 >> 47 total All-America selections

Career Highlights
 >> Six-time PWBA champion
 >> Nine-time member of Team USA, five-time member of Junior Team USA



Isabel Allen | Assistant Coach • 1st season

Vanderbilt bowling alumna and four-time All-American Isabel Allen was hired as an assistant coach in August 2025.

Career Highlights
 >> Two-time NCAA champion
 >> Four-time All-American
 >> Three-time all-conference selection