Blue Raiders ready for NCAA Louisville Regional to begin

Team will face Vandy on Friday in first round

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - The Blue Raiders will begin postseason play on Friday, May 29 at 2 p.m. when it faces Vanderbilt in the Louisville Regional.

- **Video:** Coach Peterson Interview

Middle Tennessee won the Sun Belt tournament with a 3-1 win over ULM to earn the automatic bid to the NCAAs. It has been a big week for the Blue Raiders who first learned their fate in postseason action on Monday and then traveled to Louisville, Ky., on Wednesday afternoon in preparation for the weekend. It is the 14th overall appearance for Middle Tennessee in the NCAA tournament and it is the first time a squad has ever received a two seed. The last time the Blue Raiders went to the NCAA tournament was in 2004. The Blue Raiders will face Vanderbilt for the third time this season after splitting the two game series earlier in the year. **National Recognition**

Sophomore Bryce Brentz continued to be awarded for his outstanding sophomore campaign as he was named a Golden Spikes semi-finalist and Louisville Slugger First Team All-American earlier this week. **Listen to all the action**

Middle Tennessee's games will be on 88.3 FM in Murfreesboro throughout the regional as well as on the internet linked through goblueraiders.com. Coach's Grill on Broad Street in Murfreesboro will host listening parties for all Blue Raider games at the Louisville Regional. The Blue Raider Network broadcast will be piped through the in-house sound system and will offer a place for Middle Tennessee fans to gather and listen to the game together. The game will be broadcast on WMTS-

FM (88.3). Audio and video webcast links are available on GoBlueRaiders.com. **Parking and Directions to Patterson Stadium**

Due to multiple events hosted by both the University of Louisville and the city of Louisville fans are asked to use the following parking and driving directions for the weekend, specifically on Saturday, May 30. Parking will be available for free behind the Speed School off Third Street, near the corner of Eastern Parkway and Third Street. A free shuttle will transport fans to and from Jim Patterson Stadium. Limited parking for baseball is also available in the lot opposite Patterson Stadium at the corner of Second Street and Central Avenue near Wagner's Pharmacy. Digital Trimarc signs on the interstates will note the appropriate exits and signage will be available on the surface roads directing patrons to the parking lots. Fans are advised to use the following exits for the specific event they are attending to experience the best possible traffic flow to their respective parking areas. **Traveling I-65 Northbound**

NCAA Track/Field Exit 133A NCAA Baseball Exit 133A Concert I-264 West to PJCS Traveling 264 East

NCAA Track/Field Use I-65 North, Exit 133A NCAA Baseball Exit 10 Concert Exit 11 to PJCS

Traveling 264 West

NCAA Track/Field Use I-65 North, Exit 133A NCAA Baseball Exit 10 Concert Exit 11 to PJCS

Traveling 65 Southbound, 64 West, 64 East and 71 South

NCAA Track/Field Use I-65 South, Exit 134 NCAA Baseball Use I-65 South, Exit 133 Concert Use I-65 South, Exit 132 Complete parking information is available at www.UofLsports.com. There will be one short stretch of road closed: the access road adjacent to I-65 and the Track and Soccer Stadium between Brandeis and the Eastern Parkway off ramp will be closed from midnight Thursday until midnight Saturday.

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