

# Staff Predictions: Conference Champs, College Football Playoff and Heisman Trophy



In the recent Football Preview issue of Buckeye Sports Bulletin, our staff compiled our predictions for the Big Ten Conference, including team records, award winners and division champions.

We decided to take a crack at predicting the conference champions from each FBS conference, as well as who we expect to win the Heisman Trophy, which teams will make it to the College Football Playoff and who will be crowned national champions.

There is quite a bit of variety in the selections from our staff, which means some (or all) of us will be wrong, which is always fun.

## **WYATT CROSHER, BSB**

**Big Ten East: Ohio State**

Big Ten West: Northwestern

**Big Ten Champion: Ohio State**

AAC: Memphis

ACC: Clemson

Big 12: Texas

Conference USA: North Texas

MAC: Ohio

Mountain West: Boise State

Pac-12: Oregon

SEC: Alabama (but with a loss)

Sun Belt: Appalachian State

**Heisman Trophy:** Tua Tagovailoa, Alabama

**College Football Playoff:**

Clemson (13-0)

Alabama (12-1)

**Ohio State (12-1)**

Texas (12-1)

**National Champion:** Clemson over Alabama

## **JOE DEMPSEY, BSB**

ACC: Clemson

AAC: UCF

PAC-12: Washington

**Big Ten: Ohio State**

Big 12: Oklahoma

MAC: Toledo

Mountain West: Fresno State

C-USA: Southern Miss

Sun Belt: Appalachian State

**Heisman Trophy:**

**Winner: Tua Tagovailoa, Alabama**

Trevor Lawrence, Clemson

Jalen Hurts, Oklahoma

**Justin Fields, Ohio State**

**College Football Playoff:**

No. 1 Clemson defeats No. 4 Oklahoma

**No. 2 Alabama defeats No. 3 Ohio State**

No. 1 Clemson defeats No. 2 Alabama

**National Champion:** Clemson

**ANDREW LIND, BSB**

ACC: Clemson over Virginia

American: Memphis over UCF

**B1G: Ohio State over Purdue**

Big XII: Oklahoma over Texas

C-USA: North Texas over Marshall

MAC: Ohio over Western Michigan

Mountain West: Utah State over Hawaii

Pac-12: Utah over Washington

SEC: Georgia over Alabama

Sun Belt: Appalachian State over Arkansas State

**Heisman Trophy:** Trevor Lawrence, Clemson

**College Football Playoff:**

**Ohio State over Georgia (Fiesta Bowl)**

Clemson over Oklahoma (Peach Bowl),

**Clemson over Ohio State (national championship)**

**National Champion:** Clemson

## **PATRICK MAYHORN, BSB**

ACC: Clemson

**Big Ten: Ohio State**

Big 12: Oklahoma

Pac-12: Utah

SEC: Alabama

AAC: UCF

C-USA: North Texas

MAC: Ohio

MWC: Fresno State

SBC: Appalachian State

**Heisman: Trophy:** Tua Tagovailoa, Alabama

### **College Football Playoff:**

Clemson defeats Oklahoma

Alabama defeats Utah

Clemson defeats Alabama

**National Champion:** Clemson

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