Penn State Nittany Lions
Big Ten

Last NCAA Tournament Appearance: 2023

Current Status: Bubble
Projected JNG Seed: 14

Head Coach: Mike Rhoades
School: 49-53 (4 seasons)
Career: 225-166

Record		H/R/N/B		NET/WAB/SOS		Resume		Predictive		KenPom	
Overall	5-1	Home	5-0	NET	1	KPI	1	BPI	84	AdjO	75
vs D1	5-1	Road	0-0	WAB	1	SOR	94	T-R	100	AdjD	143
Conference	0-0	Neutral	0-1	N/C WAB	1	JNG	90	KenPom	97	Tempo	105
vs Tier 1-2	0-1	vs Board	0-0	SOS	1	AVG	61.7	AVG	93.7	Luck	159
vs Tier 1-3	0-1			N/C SOS	1	OAR: 88 (54.0 avg)*				Streak	W3

Average JNG Win: 231.2

Wins Tier 1 1-30/1-50/1-75

JNG	Date	Opponent	Score

Wins Tier 2 31-75/51-100/76-135

JNG	Date	Opponent	Score

Wins Tier 3 76-160/101-200/136-240

JNG	Date	Opponent	Score

Wins Tier 4 161+/201+/241+

JNG	Date	Opponent	Score
196	11/18	IU Indy	81-74
209	11/05	Chattanooga	97-93
227	11/02	Canisius	97-57
236	11/15	New Haven	86-52
288	11/12	Mercyhurst	72-57

Average JNG Loss: 25.0

Loss Tier 1 1-30/1-50/1-75

JNG	Date	Opponent	Score
25	*11/08*	*vs Pittsburgh*	*82-76*

Loss Tier 2 31-75/51-100/76-135

JNG	Date	Opponent	Score

Loss Tier 3 76-160/101-200/136-240

JNG	Date	Opponent	Score

Loss Tier 4 161+/201+/241+

JNG	Date	Opponent	Score

REMAINING SCHEDULE

Date	JNG	Opponent
11/25	50	vs Memphis*
11/27	--	vs Miss State/Wake Forest*
12/01	257	Albany*
12/08	16	Nebraska
12/12	6	@ Illinois
12/16	167	Tennessee-Martin*
12/19	291	Lafayette*
12/22	87	vs St. Joseph's*
01/02	80	Oregon
01/06	24	@ Minnesota
01/10	137	Northwestern
01/13	77	@ Wisconsin
01/17	70	@ Ohio State
01/20	73	Purdue
01/23	58	@ Iowa
01/26	13	@ Michigan State
01/30	106	Maryland
02/02	22	Indiana
02/06	70	Ohio State
02/12	16	@ Nebraska
02/17	95	Washington
02/20	112	@ Rutgers
02/23	54	Michigan
02/27	7	@ UCLA
03/02	11	@ USC
03/07	112	Rutgers

Glossary:

NET: NCAA NET Metric
WAB: Wins Above Bubble (NCAA Metric)
KPI: kpisports.net / Kevin Pauga
SOR: espn.com Strength of Record
JNG: hoopshd.com / Joby Fortson
BPI: espn.com BPI Ratings
T-R: barttorvik.com / Torvik Rankings
KenPom: kenpom.com / Ken Pomeroy
AdjO: Adjusted Offensive Efficiency per kenpom.com
AdjD: Adjusted Defensive Efficiency per kenpom.com
Tempo: Adjusted Tempo per kenpom.com
Luck: Luck Ranking per kenpom.com

OAR: Overall Average Ranking (average of NET, KPI, SOR, WAB, POM, BPI and T-R ranked 1-365)
Projected JNG Seed: NCAA Tournament Seed per the JNG Rating if this team qualifies for the NCAA Tournament
* Games marked with an * are non-conference games

Penn State DEFCON Game Ratings for Wednesday, November 25, 2026

DEFCON 1

Time (ET)	Matchup	Broadcast	Desired Winner
5:00 PM	Memphis vs Penn State	ESPNU	Penn State

DEFCON 3

Time (ET)	Matchup	Broadcast	Desired Winner
6:00 PM	Albany at Syracuse	accextra	Albany
10:00 PM	Washington vs VCU	ESPN2	VCU

DEFCON 4

Time (ET)	Matchup	Broadcast	Desired Winner
7:00 PM	Longwood at George Mason	espn+	Longwood
7:00 PM	Northeastern at Wisconsin	BTN	Northeastern
7:00 PM	St. Thomas at UNC-Wilmington	flohoops	St. Thomas
12:00 AM	Stanford vs Saint Louis	ESPN2	Saint Louis

DEFCON 5

Time (ET)	Matchup	Broadcast	Desired Winner
12:00 PM	Marquette vs Virginia	ESPN	Virginia
2:00 PM	St. Peter's at Columbia	espn+	St. Peter's
3:00 PM	Jackson State at Oklahoma State	espn+	Jackson State
4:30 PM	South Carolina vs USC	CBS-SN	South Carolina
6:00 PM	Kennesaw State vs College of Charleston	flohoops	Kennesaw State
7:30 PM	Mississippi State vs Wake Forest	ESPN2	Mississippi State
10:30 PM	Jacksonville State vs Pacific	flohoops	Jacksonville State
12:00 AM	Clemson vs Colorado State	CBS-SN	Colorado State