

Georgia tops preseason media poll to win SEC championship in 2026

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TAMPA, Fla. — Georgia was the preseason pick to win the Southeastern Conference championship, according to voters attending the league’s annual media days event in Tampa.

The Bulldogs received 88 of 164 votes to reach the title game at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta in early December. Texas was the second choice, with 57 votes, and Mississippi a distant third with six. Texas A&M, Alabama,

Oklahoma, LSU and Kentucky also received votes.

Only 10 times since 1992 has the media’s preseason predicted champion proceeded to win the SEC title game.

Media also voted on preseason All-SEC teams, with Ole Miss’ Trinidad Chambliss edging Texas’ Arch Manning for first-team quarterback.

PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH

1. Georgia, 2,510 points
2. Texas, 2,449
3. Mississippi, 2,004

4. Texas A&M, 1,967
5. LSU, 1,961
6. Alabama, 1,930
7. Oklahoma, 1,914
8. Tennessee, 1,320
9. Florida, 1,217
10. Missouri, 1,105
11. South Carolina, 956
12. Auburn, 936
13. Vanderbilt, 751
14. Kentucky, 546
15. Mississippi State, 467
16. Arkansas, 262

FIRST-TEAM OFFENSE

QB: Trinidad Chambliss, Mississippi

RB: Kewan Lacy, Mississippi

Mississippi; Ahmad Hardy, Missouri

WR: Cam Coleman, Texas; Ryan Coleman-Williams, Alabama

TE: Trey’Dez Green, LSU

OG/OT: Trevor Goosby, Texas; Cayden Green, Missouri; Jordan Seaton, LSU; Earnest Greene III, Georgia

C: Drew Bobo, Georgia

All-purpose: Mario Craver, Texas A&M

FIRST-TEAM DEFENSE

DL: Colin Simmons, Texas; Will Echoles, Mississippi

Mississippi; Dylan Stewart, South Carolina; Princewill Umanmielen, LSU

LB: Whit Weeks, LSU; Xavier Atkins, Auburn; Rasheem Biles, Texas

DB: KJ Bolden, Georgia; Zabien Brown, Alabama; Bray Hubbard, Alabama; Ellis Robinson IV, Georgia

FIRST-TEAM SPECIALISTS

PK: Tate Sandell, Oklahoma

P: Grant Chadwick, LSU

Return specialist: Ryan Niblett, Texas

Kickoff specialist: Tate Sandell, Oklahoma

Long snapper: Ben Anderson, Oklahoma

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the favorite to start Week 1. McCarthy was the Vikings’ first-round pick in 2024 and could even end up No. 3 behind veteran Carson Wentz.

Deshaun Watson has a shot to start in Cleveland after tearing his right Achilles tendon twice in a span of three months and sitting out the 2025 season. Watson is in the final year of a five-year, fully guaranteed \$230 million contract.

Sheduer Sanders, who was 3-4 as a starter as a rookie, showed glimpses of his

potential and will get an opportunity to win the job.

HOW MANY FIRST-TEAM REPS WILL FERNANDO MENDOZA GET IN CAMP AND PRESEASON?

Kirk Cousins is expected to start in Las Vegas but Mendoza could end up starting sooner than later. It’ll be interesting to see how many first-team snaps rookie coach Clint Kubiak gives Mendoza, the Heisman Trophy winner, national champion and No. 1 overall

pick.

HOW DOES SEAN MANNION CHANGE THE EAGLES’ OFFENSE?

The 2024 Super Bowl champs won 11 games last season despite an inconsistent offense that cost Kevin Patullo his job as offensive coordinator. Sean Mannion took over after coaching Green Bay’s QBs last season. He was a journeyman quarterback in the NFL

between 2015-23 and brings a new system that’s rooted in Sean McVay and Kyle Shanahan’s philosophies of pre-snap motion, under-center plays and use of play-action.

He’ll be the sixth OC in seven seasons for Jalen Hurts, who won’t have A.J. Brown as his primary receiver this season.



LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 65A.080(2), Pennyryle Allied Community Services, Inc. has available for public review the adopted budget, financial statements and most recent audit. These items may be viewed at 1100 Liberty St., Hopkinsville, KY 42220 during regular business hours, 7:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday - Thursday.



LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE

CHRISTIAN CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 26-CI-00835 DIVISION I PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC – PLAINTIFF V. NATHANIEL EDWIN SAMS, ESTATE OF GAIGE LOUIS GILBERT (DECEASED), BY AND THROUGH ADMINISTRATRIX CHARISSE DANIELLE BALIUS, UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GAIGE LOUISE GILBERT, ET AL. – DEFENDANTS TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS/DE- VISEES/LEGATEES/BENEFICIARIES OF GAIGE LOUIS GILBERT: You are hereby notified that a legal action has been filed against you in the above-named Court in an eminent domain proceeding filed by Planet Home Lending, LLC, for a Judgment against the interests in and to the real property addressed as 205 Arkansas Avenue, Oak Grove, Kentucky. Unless a written defense is made by you or an attorney on your behalf within 20 days following the date of this publication, judgment by default may be taken against you for the relief demanded in this Complaint. Please contact the appointed Warning Order Attorney, James “Chip” Adams II, 29 E. Center St., Madisonville, KY 42431; (270) 825-1450.



LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Abandonment

Notice is hereby given that the following property; SCCY CPS2 9mm Pistol with box and magazine: VL: \$197.00, was seized from Chelsea Lynn Douglas in Hopkinsville, KY, on 4/21/22 and is available for return. The property should be claimed within 30 days from 1st publication at DEA, 457 McNally Drive, Nashville, TN 37211, 571-362-5004. Otherwise, it will be deemed abandoned and disposed of in accordance with 41 C.F.R. 128.48.

July 25, August 1 and August 8, 2026



LEGAL NOTICE

The next Extension District Board Meeting is scheduled for 12:00 pm, on Tuesday, July 28th, in the Christian County Extension Meeting Room.



LEGAL NOTICE

County Taxpayer's Notice

The 2025 County tax bills are now due and payable. If you do not receive your bill in the next few days, please contact the Christian County Sheriff's Office. When mailing in your payment, please include your copy of the tax bill or place the bill number on your check. If you wish for a paid receipt returned to you, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. The following are the collections dates:

2% Discount	August 1 – August 31, 2026
Face Amount	Sept. 1 – Sept. 30, 2026
5% Penalty	October 1 – October 30, 2026
21% Penalty	October 31 – November 15, 2026

Christian County Sheriff Department
701 West 7th St
Hopkinsville, KY 42240
Tax Hours 8:00am to 4:00pm
270-887-4141



LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Jones Bros Towing, 1995 Bradshaw Rd., Hopkinsville, KY 42240 will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, the following described abandoned vehicles:

2019 Dodge Challenger, VIN 2C3DZJG7KH557329, Owned by Victor Branch-Lein holder: USSA

2006 Pontiac Vibe, VIN 5Y2SL65856Z413974- Owned by Heather Moore

2002 Ford F150, VIN 1FTRW08L62KB68818- Owned by Robert Lafon

1996 Dodge Ram 1500, VIN 3B7HC13Y9TM136310- Owned by Kara Lee Estrada

2014 Chevrolet Malibu, VIN 1G11C5SL1EU163135- Owned by Qilong Wei

2007 Chevrolet HHR, VIN 3GNDA23D37S587247- Owned by Redmond Chevrolet

2015 Chevrolet Cruze, VIN 1G1PG5SB9F7239965- Owned by Brooklyn Dabney

The owners and any lien holders has the right to reclaim this vehicle within 10 days after the date of this notice upon payment of all towing, preservation, and storage charges. The failure to exercise this right to reclaim the vehicle within the time provided shall be deemed a waiver of all rights, title and interest in the vehicle and consent to sale of the vehicle at public auction.



LEGAL NOTICE

Special Called Meeting Notice

In accordance with KRS 424, notice is hereby given that the Hopkinsville Surface and Stormwater Utility will hold a Special Called Meeting in the offices of the Utility located at 711 South Main Street, Hopkinsville, Kentucky on Thursday, July 30th, 2026, at 3:00 PM CST/ 4:00PM EST. The purpose of the Special Called Meeting is as follows:

AGENDA

- Call to Order
- Prayer
- Roll Call
- Public Comment
- Approval of Minutes
A. June 30, 2026
- Financials
A. June 2026 Financial Statement
- Old Business
A. Complaint Update
B. Remedial Project
C. Log Jams
D. Public Works Report
E. Project Report and Action
- New Business
A. KLC Insurance Update
B. Buyout Update
C. Drainage Basin Repair Updates
D. Contracts
- Closed Session (Personnel) KRS 61.810(1)(f)
- Other Business
- Adjournment



LEGAL NOTICE

Invitation to Bid: Oak Grove Surface Paving 2026

The City of Oak Grove, KY invites sealed bid proposals for surface paving priced per ton. Bid proposals will be accepted until **9:00 AM CST on August 14, 2026.**

PAVING SPECIFICATIONS

Roads requiring 2" thick paving with milling:

- Cooper Dr. Width 24', Length 910'
- Arrow Ct. Width 24', Length 850'
- Linda Dr. Width 24', Length 1100'

Roads to be resurfaced at 2" thickness with Edge Keys along city streets:

- Carneal Rd. Width 19', Length 7900'
- Bumpus Mills Rd. Width 19', Length 6000'
- Good Hope Cem. Rd. Width 19', Length 5000'
- Hugh Hunter Rd. Width 19', Length 7000'
- Hugh Hunter Rd. will need to include striping to match current striping.
- The city will mark start and stop points on any partial paving.

FORM OF PROPOSALS

All proposals must be legible and submitted either typed or written in ink. Any alterations, including erasures, white-outs, strikeouts, or overwriting, must be initialized by the authorized signatory. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of the proposal.

Each proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed using one of the following methods:

- By Mail: Proposals sent via postal service must be postmarked prior to the submission deadline. Eight (8) copies of the proposal must be included. Address to:

City of Oak Grove
Attn: City Clerk – Paving Proposal
P.O. Box 250 Oak Grove, KY 42262

- By Hand Delivery: Proposals may be delivered in person no later than 9:00 AM CST on August 14, 2026, to:

Oak Grove City Hall
Attn: City Clerk- Paving Proposal
8505 Pembroke Oak Grove Rd
Oak Grove, KY 42262

Note: Proposals submitted via email or fax will not be accepted. However, adjustments to previously submitted proposals may be made by email to fisherl@oakgroveky.org or brian.ahart@oakgroveky.org

It is the sole responsibility of the proposer to seek clarification on any aspect of this RFP before submission. The City of Oak Grove assumes no responsibility for oral instructions or guidance.

Invoices will be paid with grant money. Some payments by the city may be staggered.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

All proposed pricing must be inclusive of all applicable sales taxes, permits, licenses, fees, and any other associated costs. Pricing should be all-encompassing and clearly stated.

NOT A TENDER

This is a request for Proposal (RFP) and not a tender call. No contractual, tort, or other legal obligations are created or imposed on the City of Oak Grove, or any other individual, officer, or employee of the City of Oak Grove by the Request for Proposal documentation by submission or consideration of any proposal by the City.

COST OF PREPARATION OF A PROPOSAL

Proponents shall be solely responsible for their own expenses in preparation and submission of a proposal and in subsequent negotiations or clarifications with the City.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids. All proposals will be evaluated for suitability and completeness. The City of Oak Grove will notify the awarded company once a selection has been finalized.

For inquiries, please contact City Hall at 270-439-4646 and ask for Brian Ahart or Lorelynn Fisher.



LEGAL NOTICE

COMMISSIONER'S SALE

KENTUCKY HOUSING CORPORATION, Plaintiff, Against Jared Banks, et al., Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO. 26-CI-00003

BY VIRTUE of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Christian Circuit Court, rendered on June 17, 2026 in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the **OFFICE OF THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY MASTER COMMISSIONER, LEE M. HARTON, at 1606 SOUTH MAIN STREET**, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, to the highest bidder at **PUBLIC AUCTION** on Monday, July 27, 2026, at or about the hour of 11:00 a.m., upon a credit of 10% of the sale price on day of sale, balance in 30 days, the real estate located at 1710 Clarence Drive, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and described with particularity in Deed Book 804, Page 208, Office of the Christian County Clerk.

The judgment in this case is for approximately \$ 145,000.00 for the balance of the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing interest at 6.50 % per annum from the date of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. This sale is subject to all ad valorem taxes for 2026, et seq.

Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Septimious Taylor
Owensboro, KY.
Counsel for Plaintiff

LEE M HARTON
MASTER COMMISSIONER
www.christiancountymastercommissioner.com
Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Sale was this day served by United States mail, postage prepaid, to all parties not in default for failure to appear in accordance with CR 53.02 and 53.02(1).

Dated this ____ day of ____, 2026.

/s/ Lee M. Harton
LEE M. HARTON



LEGAL NOTICE

COMMISSIONER'S SALE

CITY OF HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, a Municipal Corporation of the Home Rule Class, Plaintiff, Against AZR Financial, Inc, et al., Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO. 26-CI-00112

BY VIRTUE of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Christian Circuit Court, rendered on June 9, 2026 in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the **OFFICE OF THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY MASTER COMMISSIONER, LEE M. HARTON, at 1606 SOUTH MAIN STREET**, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, to the highest bidder at **PUBLIC AUCTION** on Monday, July 27, 2026, at or about the hour of 11:00 a.m., upon a credit of 10% of the sale price on day of sale, balance in 30 days, the real estate located at 512 Hillcliff Drive, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and described with particularity in Deed Book 727, Page 349, Office of the Christian County Clerk.

The judgment in this case is for approximately \$ 3,300.00 for the balance of the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing interest at 6% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. This sale is subject to all ad valorem taxes for 2026, et seq.

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H. Douglas Willen
Hopkinsville, KY.
Counsel for Plaintiff

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/s/ Lee M. Harton
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