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Alabama quarterback Ty Simpson (15) warms up before the Rose Bowl College Football Playoff quarterfinal game against Indiana on Jan. 1 in Pasadena, Calif.

Alabama QB Simpson declares for NFL draft

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Ty Simpson declared for the NFL draft on Wednesday, leaving Alabama after one season as the Crimson Tide’s starting quarterback.
The 6-foot-2, 208-pound Simpson could be one of the top quarterbacks drafted in April. Indiana’s Fernando Mendoza is seen as the likely No. 1 selection.
“I’ll cherish all of it as I take the next step for preparing for the NFL draft,” Simpson said in a video posted on social media.
Simpson said he was tempted to

take an easier path while he spent three seasons waiting for his turn after being recruited by Nick Saban. Simpson said “you just are Alabama or you’re not.”
He cracked a rib in Alabama’s 38-3 loss in the Rose Bowl to top-ranked Indiana and Mendoza. Simpson threw for 67 yards before that injury late in the first half, which knocked him out of the game. Alabama finished 11-4.
Simpson threw for 3,567 yards and completed 64.5% of his passes. He threw for 28 touchdowns with five interceptions, and he ran for two scores.

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SCOREBOARD

SPORTS ON TV

SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND/OR BLACKOUTS
THURSDAY, JAN. 8
COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)
5:30 P.M.
BTN — Northwestern at Michigan St.
6 P.M.
CBSSN — Liberty at Louisiana Tech
7:30 P.M.
BTN — Rutgers at Illinois
8 P.M.
CBSSN — MTSU at UTEP
9:30 P.M.
BTN — Ohio St. at Oregon
10 P.M.
CBSSN — San Francisco at Loyola Marymount
10:30 P.M.
ESPN2 — Santa Clara at Gonzaga
COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)
7 P.M.
TRUTV — Creighton at Marquette
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
6:30 P.M.
ACCN — Vrbo Fiesta Bowl: Miami vs. Mississippi, CFP Semifinal, Glendale, Ariz. (Field Pass)
ESPN — Vrbo Fiesta Bowl: Miami vs. Mississippi, CFP Semifinal, Glendale, Ariz.
ESPN2 — Vrbo Fiesta Bowl: Miami vs. Mississippi, CFP Semifinal, Glendale, Ariz. (Field Pass with The Pat McAfee Show)
ESPNEWS — Vrbo Fiesta Bowl: Miami vs. Mississippi, CFP Semifinal, Glendale, Ariz. (Command Center)
ESPN — Vrbo Fiesta Bowl: Miami vs. Mississippi, CFP Semifinal, Glendale, Ariz. (SkyCast)
SECN — Vrbo Fiesta Bowl: Miami vs. Mississippi, CFP Semifinal, Glendale, Ariz. (Hometown Call)

FIGURE SKATING
5 P.M.
USA — 2026 U.S. Winter Olympic Trials: U.S. Figure Skating Championships, St. Louis
7 P.M.
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NBA BASKETBALL
7 P.M.
NBATV — Miami at Chicago
NBL BASKETBALL
2:30 A.M.
NBATV — Illawarra Hawks vs. South East Melbourne Phoenix

SOCCER (MEN'S)
8:40 P.M.
FS2 — Saudi Pro League: Al-Hazem at Al-Hilal
11:15 A.M.
FS2 — Saudi Pro League: Al Qadsiah at Al Nassr

TENNIS
5 A.M.
TENNIS — United Cup — Day 7 Quarterfinal 3: Brisbane-ATP/WTA, Auckland-WTA & Hong Kong-ATP Early Rounds
4:30 P.M.
TENNIS — United Cup — Day 8 Quarterfinal 4: Brisbane-ATP/WTA, Auckland-WTA & Hong Kong-ATP Quarterfinals

5 A.M. (FRIDAY)
TENNIS — United Cup — Day 8 Quarterfinal 4: Brisbane-ATP/WTA, Auckland-WTA & Hong Kong-ATP Quarterfinals

PRO FOOTBALL

ALL TIMES EST
WILD-CARD PLAYOFFS
SATURDAY, JAN. 10
L.A. Rams at Carolina, 4:30 p.m. (FOX)
Green Bay at Chicago, 8:00 p.m. (AMAZON PRIME VIDEO)
SUNDAY, JAN. 11
Buffalo at Jacksonville, 1:00 p.m. (CBS)
San Francisco at Philadelphia, 4:30 p.m. (FOX)
L.A. Chargers at New England, 8:00 p.m. (NBC/Peacock)
MONDAY, JAN. 12
Houston at Pittsburgh, 8:00 p.m. (ESPN/ABC)
DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS
SATURDAY, JAN. 17 AND SUNDAY, JAN. 18
AFC lowest remaining seed at Denver, TBD
NFC lowest remaining seed at Seattle, TBD

AFC two remaining seeds at higher seed, TBD
NFC two remaining seeds at higher seed, TBD
CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS
SUNDAY, JAN. 25
AFC
AFC lowest remaining seed at AFC highest remaining seed
NFC
NFC lowest remaining seed at NFC highest remaining seed
SUPER BOWL LIX
SUNDAY, FEB. 8
AT SANTA CLARA.
Conference Championships winners, 6:30 p.m. (NBC/Peacock)
NFL INJURY REPORT
The National Football League injury report, as provided by the league (OUT: Player will not play; QUESTIONABLE: Player is unlikely to play; DNP: did not practice; LIMITED: limited participation; FULL: Full participation);
WILD CARD
SATURDAY
LOS ANGELES RAMS at CAROLINA PANTHERS — LOS ANGELES: DNP: OL Kevin Dotson (ankle), WR Jordan Whittington (knee), TE Terrance Ferguson (hamstring), CB Josh Wallace (ankle). LIMITED: DE Braden Fiske (ankle), TE Tyler Higbee (ankle). FULL: WR Davante Adams (hamstring), S Quentin Lake (elbow). CAROLINA: DNP: DT Derrick Brown (NIR-rest). FULL: DT Bobby Brown (concussion), LB Claudin Chereilus (calf/ankle), G Rob Hunt (biceps), CB Robert Rochell (concussion), DT Turk Wharton (hamstring), G Chandler Zavala (calf). GREEN BAY PACKERS at CHICAGO BEARS — GREEN BAY: LIMITED: DL Warren Brinson (foot), S Javon Bullard (knee), LB Nick Niemann (pectoral), OL Zach Tom (back/knee), WR Dontayvion Wicks (concussion), QB Malik Willis (right shoulder/hamstring). FULL: LB Edgerrin Cooper (shoulder), WR Matthew Golden (Achilles), DL Lukas Van Ness (foot). CHICAGO: DNP: DB C.J. Gardner-Johnson (concussion), DL Grady Jarrett (NIR-rest), LB Tremaine Edmunds (concussion), LB Jon Tryon-Shoyinka (concussion). LIMITED: DB Kyle Gordon (groin), DB Jaylon Jones (ankle), WR D.J. Moore (knee), WR Rome Odunze (foot), OL Ozzy Trapilo (quadriceps). FULL: OL Braxton Jones (knee), DB Nick McCloud (illness), WR Jahan Dotson (illness). Sunday

BUFFALO BILLS at JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — BUFFALO: DNP: LB Terrell Bernard (calf), CB Maxwell Hairston (ankle), RB Ty Johnson (ankle), LB Matt Milano (illness), WR Joshua Palmer (ankle), K Matt Prater (right quadriceps). LIMITED: S Damar Hamlin (pectoral), DT DaQuan Jones (calf), DE Dalton Kincaid (knee), S Jordan Poyer (hamstring), LB Shaq Thompson (neck). FULL: QB Josh Allen (foot), S Cole Bishop (ribs), DE Joey Bosa (hamstring), DB Cam Lewis (toe). JACKSONVILLE: DNP: OL Cole Van Lanen (knee), CB Jarrian Jones (illness). LIMITED: OL Patrick Mekari (back), DE Danny Strigow (elbow/ankle), CB Montaric Brown (neck), CB Greg Newsome II (shoulder). SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS at PHILADELPHIA EAGLES — SAN FRANCISCO: DNP: RB Christian McCaffrey, WR Ricky Pearsall, DE Keion White, T Trent Williams, LB Dee Winters. LIMITED: DT Jordan Elliott, LB Luke Gifford, DE Yetur Gross-Matos, TE George Kittle. PHILADELPHIA: DNP: TE Grant Calcaterra (ankle), OL Brett Toth (concussion). LIMITED: DT Jalen Carter (hip), LB Nakobe Dean (hamstring), S Marcus Epps (concussion), TE Dallas Goedert (knee), T Lane Johnson (foot). FULL: OLB Azeez Ojulari (hamstring), OLB Jaelan Phillips (ankle). LOS ANGELES CHARGERS at NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — LOS ANGELES: DNP: WR Keenan Allen (NIR-rest), T Austin Deculus (oblique), OLB Bud Dupree (hamstring), RB Omarion Hampton (ankle), WR KeAndre Lambert-Smith (hamstring), OLB Khalil Mack (NIR-rest), LB DelShawn Phillips (hamstring), S Kendall Williamson (ankle). LIMITED: CB Dante Jackson (ankle), DB Elijah Molden (hamstring), OL Jamaree Salyer (hamstring). FULL: TE Tucker Fisk, QB Justin Herbert (left hand). NEW ENGLAND: DNP: C Garrett Bradbury (illness), LB Anfernee Jennings (illness), OT Vederian Lowe (illness), OT Morgan Moses (illness), DL Khyiris Tonga (foot). LIMITED: CB Alex Austin (wrist), LB Jack Gibbens (elbow), TE Hunter Henry (NIR-rest), LB Harold Landry (knee), OT Thayer Munford Jr. (knee), LB Robert Spillane (ankle), G Jared Wilson (concussion protocol).

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EASTERN CONFERENCE
ATLANTIC DIVISION
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New York 24 13 .649 —
Boston 23 13 .639 ½
Toronto 23 15 .605 1½
Philadelphia 20 15 .571 3
Brooklyn 11 22 .333 11
SOUTHEAST DIVISION
W L PCT GB
Orlando 20 17 .541 —
Miami 20 17 .541 —
Atlanta 18 21 .462 3
Charlotte 13 24 .351 7
Washington 10 26 .278 9½
CENTRAL DIVISION
W L PCT GB
Detroit 28 9 .757 —
Cleveland 21 17 .553 7½
Chicago 17 20 .459 11
Milwaukee 16 20 .444 11½
Indiana 6 31 .162 22

WESTERN CONFERENCE
SOUTHWEST DIVISION
W L PCT GB
San Antonio 25 11 .694 —
Houston 22 11 .667 1½
Memphis 16 20 .444 9
Dallas 14 23 .378 11½
New Orleans 8 31 .205 18½
NORTHWEST DIVISION
W L PCT GB
Oklahoma City 30 7 .811 —
Denver 25 12 .676 5
Minnesota 24 13 .649 6
Portland 17 20 .459 13
Utah 12 23 .343 17
PACIFIC DIVISION
W L PCT GB
L.A. Lakers 23 11 .676 —
Phoenix 21 15 .583 3
Golden State 19 18 .514 5½
L.A. Clippers 13 23 .361 11
Sacramento 8 29 .216 16½

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Washington 120, Orlando 112
Cleveland 120, Indiana 116
Memphis 106, San Antonio 105
Minnesota 122, Miami 94
L.A. Lakers 111, New Orleans 103
Dallas 100, Sacramento 98
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Detroit 108, Chicago 93
Philadelphia 131, Washington 110
Toronto 97, Charlotte 96
Denver 114, Boston 110
New York 123, L.A. Clippers 111
Atlanta 117, New Orleans 100
Orlando at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Memphis, 7 p.m.
Utah at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 9 p.m.
Milwaukee at Golden State, 9 p.m.

THURSDAY'S GAMES
Philadelphia at Washington, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando, 6 p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 6 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Memphis, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Denver, 8 p.m.
New York at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 9 p.m.
Sacramento at Golden State, 9 p.m.
Milwaukee at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Minnesota at Cleveland, noon
Miami at Indiana, 6 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Chicago, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Boston, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Utah, 8:30 p.m.

DEALS

BASEBALL
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Claimed OF Marco Luciano off waivers from Pittsburgh. Designated OF Jhonkensy Noel for assignment. Sent LHP Josh Walker outright to Norfolk (IL).
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Claimed OF Wade Meckler off waivers.
National League
CHICAGO CUBS — Claimed LHP Ryan Rolison off waivers from the Chicago White Sox. Acquired RHP Edward Cabrera from Miami in exchange for OF Owen Caissie and INFs Cristian Hernandez and Edgardo De Leon.

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BID FOR GENERAL CONTRACTOR

The Livingston County Cooperative Extension Office in Smithland, KY is accepting bids for a General Contractor to assess work needed and to determine costs of each job individually. Bids will be accepted until Friday, February 13, 2026.

Scope of Work:
Project DescriptionThe Livingston County Extension Office will be doing work to all public spaces, as well as office areas;
• Electrical - replacing light fixtures, upgrade to LED
• Ceiling Grid/Tile- replacing all ceiling tiles in building
• Drywall/Paint- Repair cracks in drywall and paint all public areas, repair damage in meeting space.
• Flooring- Repair/replace cracked floor tiles
• General Construction- Add chair rail molding and repair walls in meeting space.
This project will need to be bid by cost of each of area of work to determine order in which we will complete these items.

General Requirements:
• Contractor holds all licenses required to conduct business in jurisdictions of the site location.
• Contractor is able to pull all necessary permits
• Contractor is able to meet project timelines
• Contractor is able to provide all materials necessary to complete the work outlined.

Jobs can be seen/assessed on-sight at the Livingston County Cooperative Extension Office located at 803 U.S. 60 East, Smithland, KY 42081 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday through

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Friday.

Job must be started within 30-60 days of the time the bid is accepted and agreed upon by both parties.

Detailed, itemized bids should be delivered in-person or by mail (Livingston County Extension District Board, P.O. Box 189, Smithland, KY 42081) no later than February 13, 2026 by 4:30 p.m. For questions, please call 270-928-2168 or email Sharee Schoonover at sharee.schoonover@uky.edu.

City of Metropolis Police Department is hiring full time dispatchers. Candidates must meet the following criteria:
• 21 years of age
• US Citizen
• Work under stressful conditions
• Be able to deal with people under different stressful circumstances
• Pass drug test
• Pass criminal background test
• Pass IL State Police LEADS testing.
• Pass EMD and other required certifications
• High School Diploma or GED
• Be able to type approx. 50 words per minute
• Be able to multi task under stressful situations
• Be able to work different shifts and holidays
• Excellent starting pay and benefits

You may pick up an application and job description at City Hall or the Metropolis Police Department. The City of Metropolis is an equal opportunity employer. The City of Metropolis will recruit, hire, train and promote into all job levels the most qualified individuals without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry,

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marital status, status with regard to public assistance, disability, age, sexual orientation or affectional preference, military status, or status as a special disabled or Vietnam era veteran except where sex is a bona fide occupational qualification. The City of Metropolis will prohibit harassment against any applicant or employee who is a member of one of these groups.

Applications will be accepted until close of business on Monday, February 9, 2026

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