The Cleveland Cavaliers Basketball Communications Team welcomes you to the 2022-23 NBA season. It is our goal to provide a professional and productive working environment. To assist in your coverage of the Cavaliers, please note the following:

**Media access:** Media access protocols for practices at Cleveland Clinic Courts and home game coverage have changed across the NBA. All Cavaliers media availability – including practice, shootaround, pregame and postgame activities with players and coaches – will only be conducted with in-person media in attendance. Zoom will only be used if circumstances dictate.

In accordance with the NBA, media will be credentialed for games under the same process as in previous seasons, except a Tier 1 level has been created for qualifying outlets. Tier 1 credentials will grant access to pre- and post-game locker room media availabilities at Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse. These credentials will be limited, and available to media outlets that regularly cover the team either by traveling consistently or attending most of a team’s games and practices. Additionally, national media who cover the league on a consistent basis and select international media and broadcast partners will be eligible for Tier 1 credentials.

In order to qualify for Tier 1, media outlets must create original news content and have a standard editorial process in place to govern credentialed reporters. A media member must also be fully up to date on his or her COVID-19 vaccinations to be eligible for Tier 1 access or produce a negative result from a point-of-care test (e.g., Cue, Accula, antigen) or a “not detected” result from a lab-based PCR test collected within seven days of the game.

Media who do not fit the Tier 1 requirements will be given access to all other media areas, including the Fred McLeod TV Studio and Media Workroom and the visiting team interview room located across from the visiting team locker room (Green Room).

The Cavaliers Basketball Communications Team will distribute via email daily availability times for all practice and shootaround media availability sessions.

**Cavaliers Media Website:** To assist with your coverage throughout the 2022-23 season, the Cavaliers Basketball Communications Team has an interactive Cavaliers Media Website on https://www.NBAOMG.com (select the Cleveland Cavaliers logo). This site will virtually house pertinent media materials including the Cavaliers Media Guide, game notes, current and historical statistical data, live game tracker and player updates, Cavaliers PR & team Twitter feeds, postgame notes, credential request forms and more. Previously printed materials such as game notes, out-of-town scores, recaps and NBA rankings will no longer be available in the media workroom, as all information can now be found on the Cavaliers Media Website. If you do not have an account already established and need access, please email CavaliersPR@cavs.com for login information.
Credentials: You must have a Cavaliers credential (full season or single-game) to be admitted to Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse, and your credential must be visibly worn at all times. Credentials should be requested through the Cavaliers media website at HoopsOMG.com.

Your credential does not guarantee a seat. Please contact the Basketball Communications Team no later than 48 hours before a game to reserve a seat in the press seating areas. Single-game credentials can be picked up at the media entrance, located on the east side of Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse (off of East 6th street, adjacent to the Cavaliers Team Shop and facing the Gateway East parking garage). Photo ID is required to obtain your credential.

Season and single-game credentials are non-transferable and any unauthorized use will subject the bearer to ejection from Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse and the forfeiture of the credential. No autographs are allowed during media access periods.

Media members who are approved for credentials must adhere to any alterations to the Health and Safety Protocols as well as the zoning rules established by the Cavaliers and the NBA. If you are not feeling well or experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19, you will be required to remain at home and cover the game via the broadcast and the Cavaliers Media Website.

Please note that single-game credentials may be limited due to the available media workspace. A member of the Cavaliers Basketball Communications Team will respond and indicate if a spot is available for the game requested.

Media Entrance: All media members must enter Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse through the media entrance, which is located on the east side of the arena (across from Gateway East Garage) and opens two and a half hours prior to game time. If you are coming out of the Gateway East parking garage, crossing East 6th Street, you will see the Cavaliers Team Shop. The media gate is located just to the left (south) of the Team Shop. Several available options for parking are in close proximity to Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse.

Fred McLeod TV Studio & Media Workroom: This season, all media members will have access to the Fred McLeod TV Studio and Media Workroom. Seating will be assigned and reserved within this area as space permits, and all seats in the workroom will be equipped with electrical power and RFMH WiFi accessibility.

Media will be able to use the designated Media Elevator in the Three-Bank Elevator Lobby (located directly behind the media section, M104) on the main concourse to travel to and from the media section and Fred McLeod TV Studio and Media Workroom.

Media members who are not given a seat in the Media Workroom will be able to work from their seat in Section M104.

Seating: There will be reserved media seats located in Section M104 and will be assigned by the Cavaliers Basketball Communications Team. All seats will be equipped with electrical power and access to RFMH WiFi.

TV and Radio: Visiting television broadcast positions will be courtside, adjacent to the visitors' bench. Radio broadcast positions will be in the “Joe Tait Perch” (radio booth) in Section C108. If statisticians are desired, please make arrangements with the Cavaliers Basketball Communications Team at least 24 hours before game time. All requests for pregame or postgame interviews should be directed to the Cavaliers Basketball Communications Team.

Photographers: Still photographers will be able to shoot from the baseline locations this season and will be assigned a floor spot. Photographers are asked to keep off the side courts and to be considerate of the ticket holders seated directly behind them. Also, photographers are asked to wear rubber-soled shoes to protect the basketball floor and must have rubber lens shades for their cameras. All photographers that are assigned a floor photo lane will be required to wear a photo vest distributed by the Basketball Communications team and face masks. Floor positions will be given to outlets based on priority as designated by the NBA. Additional elevated photo space will be made available on a case-by-case basis or as space allows.

Parking: Full-season parking passes via SeatGeek will be distributed by the Cavaliers Basketball Communications Team on a limited basis. For those media members who receive full season parking privileges, the media parking area will be located in the Gateway East Garage.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Cavaliers Basketball Communications Team at (216) 420-2464 or CavaliersPR@cavs.com.
Radio Fred McLeod TV Studio & Media Workroom

The Cavaliers organization named the combined television studio and media workroom space at Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse the “Fred McLeod TV Studio & Media Workroom” on September 18, 2019 in honor of the team’s beloved 14-year play-by-play television announcer, who passed away unexpectedly on September 9, 2019. Given the indelible impact and legacy of Fred McLeod, and how he touched so many across the media and fan community, as well as the team he loved, the Fred McLeod TV Studio & Media Workroom serves as a lasting tribute to someone that was universally admired, respected and appreciated as a fellow media member and willing mentor to a countless number across the industry.

Before and after every Cavaliers home game, home and visiting team media members gather in the television studio and media workroom space on the event level of Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse to hear from, and interview, the Cavaliers head coach. The space is also used for many other media events and reporting elements throughout the year by attending media covering games and events for newspapers, magazines, television, radio, websites and other digital platforms, as they write and file their respective stories and coverage inside the walls of this important area.

A Strongsville, Ohio native, Fred served as the television voice of the Cavs since joining the team and FOX Sports Ohio in 2006. His NBA broadcasting career spanned 36 seasons, having spent 22 seasons with the Detroit Pistons, in addition to 14 overall with the Cavs (1979-80; 2006-19). The multi-regional Emmy Award winner called more than 1,000 games during his time with the Wine and Gold. His diverse and extensive sports broadcasting career also included time in the NFL (Detroit Lions) and MLB (Cleveland Indians and Detroit Tigers), as well as local television sports reporting and anchoring in multiple cities, including Cleveland and Detroit.

Fred was one of the most accomplished and respected announcers in the NBA and all of sports and was known for his love, passion and enthusiasm for his hometown Cavs and Cleveland. He was friendly and welcoming to all his fellow media colleagues, regardless of experience or outlet they represented, including up-and-comers who sought advice from him and appreciated his willingness to spend time supporting them. Fred made a lasting impression, so it is fitting that he will have this permanent space dedicated to his memory.

In connection with the Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse transformation project, the state-of-the-art TV studio and media workroom space was recently re-designed, expanded and updated for optimal use, media support, technology and efficiency.
2022-23 Cleveland Cavaliers AudioVerse

Cleveland Cavalier fans can follow the team all season long on the 31-station, Cavaliers AudioVerse. All 82 regular season games, as well as four preseason games and all potential playoff games will be aired live. Fans can also listen online at NBA.com and sign up for NBA Audio League Pass through TuneIn Radio, or on any mobile device by downloading the Cavs App.

The flagship stations for Cavs basketball are the 50,000-watt News Radio WTAM 1100 AM and 106.9 FM and 100.7 FM WMMS, Cleveland’s Rock Station. Returning as the Akron outlet for the 30th season is 1590 AM WAKR.

In his fourth season, play-by-play announcer Tim Alcorn will be joined in the booth by Cavalier Legend Jim Chones, who will be back for his 13th season as color analyst. Returning for his 31st year is studio host Mike Snyder, who will anchor all pregame, halftime and postgame shows. Former OSU great and NBA player Brad Sellers is back for his 12th year as postgame studio analyst.

Each broadcast on the Cavaliers AudioVerse begins with the Huntington Tip-Off Show, an inside look at the upcoming game. Hosted by Mike Snyder, the show airs 30 minutes prior to game time. It is a comprehensive look at what is happening around the NBA, including interviews, highlights, game reports, injury updates and a preview of the Cavs game with Tim Alcorn while Jim Chones provides his Keys to the Game.

Following each game Mike Snyder will host the Zoom Postgame Show. Jim Chones and Brad Sellers will join Snyder to provide postgame analysis, review stats and highlights. Fans will hear comments from players in both locker rooms, Coach Bickerstaff’s postgame press conference and news from other games around the league.

Every Monday through Friday morning at 8:25 a.m., fans can listen to host Bill Wills and Mike Snyder on WTAM 1100 AM for the daily Cavs Update. Wills and Snyder will be joined every Monday and Thursday by Tim Alcorn while Jim Chones will appear every Tuesday and Friday. On Wednesdays, members of the front office, broadcast crew along with other Cavalier Legends will appear with Wills and Snyder. Alcorn will also host an afternoon drive Cavs Update on the Cavaliers AudioVerse that will feature the latest Cavs news, including game recaps, previews and other NBA news.

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John Michael enters his fourth season as the Cavaliers’ television play-by-play broadcaster on Bally Sports Ohio after spending the previous eight seasons as the team’s audio play-by-play broadcaster.

In just his first two years of eligibility, Michael won back-to-back individual Emmy Awards for Top Play-By-Play Broadcaster / Analyst by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Lower Great Lakes Chapter in both 2021 and 2022. In 2022, Michael also won a third Emmy Award for Outstanding Live Sporting Event/Game, capping a tremendous two-year span.

In summer 2019, Michael was inducted into Western Pennsylvania’s Beaver County Sports Hall of Fame. Michael’s fellow inductees include the NBA’s Pete Maravich and Brad Davis, along with Cleveland Guardians’ skipper Terry Francona and his late father, Tito.

In 2015, Michael represented the Cavaliers’ organization by moderating the esteemed Cuyahoga Community College Presidential Luncheon alongside Magic Johnson. In addition, Michael made numerous SportsCenter appearances and made regular appearances on various national television networks during the Cavs’ playoff runs from 2015-18.

Michael has nearly two decades of professional sports play-by-play experience. He previously worked with the NHL’s Columbus Blue Jackets on Bally Sports Ohio as the television game host, in-game reporter, and contributor to the pregame and postgame shows. Prior to joining the Jackets, Michael was the inaugural play-by-play “Voice of the Lake Erie Monsters” here in Cleveland. Earlier in his career, Michael gained valuable play-by-play experience with the MSA Sports Network in Pennsylvania, hosting sports talk shows and calling a variety of sports, including baseball, football, hockey, basketball, and soccer.

Prior to heading to Cleveland, Michael spent two seasons as the radio voice of the AHL’s Springfield Falcons and two seasons with the ECHL’s Johnstown Chiefs. Following his final campaign with the Chiefs, the Aliquippa, Pennsylvania native was named the 2005 ECHL Broadcaster of the Year. The honor highlighted a tremendous campaign for Michael during which he had been chosen to broadcast the 2005 ECHL All-Star Game for NHL Radio.

Michael has also served as a radio broadcaster for baseball’s Hagerstown Suns, a then-minor league affiliate of the San Francisco Giants. Additionally, he has taught as an Adjunct Professor of Broadcasting at Springfield College in Massachusetts, where the game of basketball was invented.

Michael is a regular contributor to Cavaliers Live pregame and postgame shows on Bally Sports Ohio.

Prior to embarking on his broadcasting career, Michael earned a law degree, an MBA degree, and a mechanical engineering degree from the University of Notre Dame, all with cum laude honors, in an eight-year span. Following graduation from law school, he joined the prestigious Pittsburgh law firm of Kirkpatrick & Lockhart (now K&L Gates). There, he practiced law full time as a trial attorney specializing in construction law for over four years before embarking upon his broadcasting career.
“Mr. Cavalier” Austin Carr begins his 25th season as a TV color analyst for the Cleveland Cavaliers on Bally Sports Ohio, as well as becoming an ambassador for the organization. Carr will join play-by-play broadcaster John Michael to provide insight and analysis during 40 Cavs games this season.

After a standout career with the Cleveland Cavaliers from 1971-80, Carr rejoined the team in the front office in June 1991 as the Director of Community and Business Development. He was responsible for generating new business from Northeast Ohio corporations with a particular focus on smaller companies and minority organizations. Beginning in 1997, Carr became the full-time color analyst for the team’s telecasts on WUAB and the Cavaliers Television Network.

Carr played the first nine of 10 seasons in the NBA with Cleveland before stints with Washington and Dallas. He ranks second among the Cavaliers’ all-time leaders in field goals made (4,272) and field goals attempted (9,480). Carr is fourth on the Cavaliers’ all-time list in scoring (10,265), sixth in games played (635) and sixth in minutes played (19,003).

The 2021-22 NBA season marked the 50th anniversary since Carr put on a Wine & Gold uniform. He was the first player chosen in the 1971 NBA Draft following a brilliant college career at Notre Dame, where he averaged a school-record 34.6 points per game and was a two-time All-American. The 1971 National Player of the Year currently holds the record for most points in an NCAA tournament game (61), NCAA tournament points per game average (41.3) and was elected to the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame class of 2007. After being inducted into the Irish’s Ring of Honor, the lower concourse of the Notre Dame’s Purcell Pavilion was renamed the Austin Carr Concourse in 2011.

Carr was named to the NBA All-Rookie Team in 1972 and later represented Cleveland in the 1974 NBA All-Star Game. He was further honored when his number (34) was retired by the Cavaliers on January 3, 1981. In addition, Carr was selected to the Cavaliers’ All-Time Starting Five as voted on by 32 members of the media in Northeast Ohio and the Cavaliers’ All-Time Team as selected by the fans. The All-Time Starting Five and All-Time Team were selected in conjunction with the Cavaliers 30th Anniversary season of 1999-2000.

Always active in community affairs, Carr won the Walter Kennedy Citizenship Award after the 1979-80 season, an award which recognizes an NBA player or coach who makes substantial contributions to his community. He continues his charitable activities with the Alzheimer’s Association of Cleveland, the March of Dimes and the Center for Prevention of Domestic Violence. He is a board member of Y.O.U. (Youth Opportunity Unlimited) and hosts a golf tournament to assist fundraising efforts for the organization, in addition to making numerous speaking engagements to youth groups. Carr is also a regular contributor to Cavs HQ, making numerous public appearances where he talks with Cavs fans all over the community.

Carr just celebrated 40 years of service as a member of the Cavaliers and has added the title of ambassador to his storied life and career. A single-digit handicap golfer, Carr is the proud parent of Jason and Ashley, and grandfather to Austin, Aubre and Alexavier.
Serena Winters begins her second season as the sideline reporter for Bally Sports Ohio’s Cavaliers Telecasts. She joined the Cavaliers broadcast team in January of 2021 from Philadelphia where she was the 76ers sideline reporter for two seasons. During her time there, she filled in as color analyst and play-by-play announcer on 76ers telecasts as well as wrote features, hosted pregame shows, and filled in on Phillies broadcasts.

Winters also produced and hosted Locked on 76ers, a daily podcast offering news, stats and analysis of the Philadelphia 76ers and NBA.

Winters has covered the NBA for over a decade and hosted her own daily, primetime sports and culture show, ‘The Bridge,’ on NBC Sports Northwest, where she also contributed to the coverage of the Portland Trail Blazers.

Prior to joining NBC Sports, she covered the Lakers for six seasons as host and analyst for the Lakers TV network and for LakersNation.com.

Winters’ career in sports journalism started in Santa Barbara where she anchored sports updates and called both play-by-play and color commentary for the men’s and women’s UC Santa Barbara basketball teams. She graduated with a bachelor's degree from the University of California, Santa Barbara, Magna Cum Laude.
Cayleigh Griffin
Bally Sports Ohio Pre and Post-Game Host of Cavaliers Live

Cayleigh Griffin returns to Cleveland as the Pre and Post-Game Host of Cavaliers Live. She spent the last three seasons in Houston as the courtside reporter for the Houston Rockets. She also hosted their pre and post-game coverage, their weekly magazine show, “Rockets All-Access,” and served as a fill-in host and field reporter on AT&T SportsNet’s Houston Astros coverage.

She worked as a digital host and reporter for the Cavs and Fox Sports Ohio during the 2018-19 season, in a variety of roles. She also contributed to the Cavs Radio Network, Cleveland Monsters Hockey coverage, and Charge coverage.

She spent two years as a reporter for the San Antonio Spurs, covering the team both linearly and digitally. She was a fill-in host for Spurs Live, and sideline reporter on all Spurs home games. She also extensively covered the Austin Spurs and San Antonio Stars. Her career started at the BIG East Conference, where she worked as an on-air correspondent and digital assistant.

Cayleigh grew up in Stamford, CT and graduated from Providence College with a Bachelor of Arts in Humanities, and a Minor in Film.

M. Campy Russell
Television Pregame & Postgame Analyst
Director of Alumni Relations

Campy Russell begins his 16th season providing analysis on the pregame and postgame show “Cavaliers Live” on Bally Sports Ohio. He is also the Cavaliers’ Director of Alumni Relations, helping connect former Cavs players and legends with the organization and fans. Because of his efforts, alumni are active in the community and at Cavaliers home games, where they visit with fans, make special presentations, and are involved in charitable fundraising. Russell was also inducted into the Cavaliers Wall of Honor for the Class of 2022 with Gordon Gund, Lenny Wilkens and World B. Free.

Russell played 10 years in the NBA, including seven with the Cavs (1974-75 to 1979-80 and 1984-85), where he was an NBA All-Star in 1979. He played three seasons with the New York Knicks from 1980-83 and led the league in three-point field goal percentage (.439) in 1981-82. Russell was named to the Cavaliers’ All-Time Team and remains in the Cavs’ all-time Top 10 in six categories. He entered the 1974 NBA Draft as junior under the hardship clause and was the eighth pick of the first round.

In 2002, Russell rejoined the Cavaliers as the team’s outer market events specialist, a position involving sales, community relations and youth basketball programs. In 2004, he championed the Cavaliers’ annual Black Heritage Celebration, one of the most comprehensive cultural celebrations in the NBA. He was inducted into the Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame in 2014. He also received the Lifetime Achievement Award by Black Professionals Association Charitable Foundation (BPACF) in 2019.

Russell is an alumnus of the University of Michigan, graduating with a bachelor’s degree in Sports Management and Communications. In 2002 he was inducted into the university’s Hall of Honor for men’s basketball. He and his wife (Robyn) have four daughters, Allex, Mandisa, Oyin, Saki, one son, Michael II, and is the proud grandfather of 14 grandchildren.
Brad Daugherty
Bally Sports Ohio TV Analyst
JTG Daugherty Racing Co-owner

Brad Daugherty continues his duties as an analyst for Bally Sports Ohio, a role he has coveted since 2020. He will join John Michael for a number of games throughout the 2022-23 regular season on a rotational basis, along with Cavaliers legend Austin Carr and former head coach Mike Fratello.

Daugherty also played for the Cleveland Cavaliers for eight NBA seasons and was taken as the first overall pick by Cleveland in the 1986 NBA draft out of the University of North Carolina. A 1986–87 All-Rookie team selection, Daugherty averaged nineteen points and ten rebounds per game over his NBA career and retired as the Cavaliers all-time leading scorer (10,389 points) and rebounder (5,227). Daugherty’s all-time leading scorer record stood until March 21, 2008, when LeBron James broke the point record against the Toronto Raptors. His leading rebounder record stood until December 9, 2008, when Zydrunas Ilgauskas broke the rebound record, again against the Raptors.

He played in 41 postseason games and led the Cavaliers as far as the Eastern Conference Finals in 1992. Daugherty was a five-time All-Star (1988, 1989, 1991, 1992, 1993). As part of the Cavaliers’ 30th anniversary in 1999–2000, Daugherty was a unanimous selection to the All-Time Cleveland Cavaliers team.

Daugherty announced his retirement after the 1995–96 season. His #43 jersey, a number he picked as a tribute to NASCAR legend Richard Petty who fueled his interest in racing, was retired by the Cavaliers on March 1, 1997.

In 2019, Daugherty was inducted to the Cavaliers Wall of Honor for individuals who played a critical role in shaping the franchise’s history.

Daugherty is part-owner of JTG Daugherty Racing alongside Tad and Jodi Geschickter and Gordon Smith with NASCAR Cup Series driver Ricky Stenhouse Jr. The five-time NBA All-Star also joined NBC Sports as an analyst for pre-race and post-race NASCAR Cup Series coverage. A fixture not only on television, Daugherty has also regularly hosted shows on SiriusXM NASCAR Radio and SiriusXM NBA Radio.

In 1985, Daugherty tried his hand at owning a Late Model race team with his close friend and driver Robert Pressley. They won races and championships and climbed the ladder to the NASCAR Xfinity Series where they won their first race in the division during 1989. Daugherty also co-owned a NASCAR Truck Series team before partnering with JTG Daugherty Racing and progressing to the pinnacle of the sport.

After years of hard work in the NASCAR Cup Series, Daugherty’s ownership dreams were finally realized when his team made the NASCAR Cup Series coveted 10-race Chase for the championship with a huge victory at Watkins Glen International in August 2014. That day, Daugherty was on air talent for the race broadcast and there was no way to control his excitement on air. He began jumping up and down, with a huge grin as he hugged fellow analyst Rusty Wallace and then he took off for Victory Lane. Instead of hoisting the trophy, he hoisted his driver (AJ Allmendinger) at the time off the ground as a big celebration got underway.

Today, the Black Mountain, NC-native continues his leadership role for JTG Daugherty Racing and his affiliation with BAM (Brand Activation Maximizer) in addition to his role as an NBC analyst for NASCAR. When he’s not at the race track or on air, he’s also has duties as the Chairman of the Cleveland Cavaliers Team Board and the NASCAR Diversity Board.
Mike Fratello
Bally Sports Ohio TV Analyst

Veteran NBA coach Mike Fratello is one of the winningest head coaches in NBA history, ranking 22nd in both all-time regular season wins (667) and games coached (1,215). During his illustrious career, Fratello has coached at every level—from kids camps and high school to college, the pros and national teams representing Ukraine and USA. Along the way, Fratello undertook another important role on the sidelines as an NBA commentator and teamed up with some of the best in the business, including legendary play-by-play announcers Marv Albert and the “Birdman” Ian Eagle. Coach Fratello currently brings his wealth of basketball experience to the booth as an Los Angeles Clippers in-game analyst and a guest analyst for Bally Sports Ohio’s Cavaliers Live pregame and postgame shows.

Born and raised in Hackensack, New Jersey, Fratello (whose father won the 1939 Golden Gloves middleweight title) proved to be a tough and talented young athlete. Fratello was captain of his football, basketball and baseball teams at Hackensack High School, and he attended Montclair State College (now Montclair State University) on a football scholarship. After graduation, he returned to his high school alma mater as an assistant coach for both the football and basketball teams. Fratello’s strong work ethic, high sports IQ and gift for teaching quickly became apparent, and soon he was recruited to join Tom Carmody’s coaching staff at the University of Rhode Island (1970-72). Fratello gained more valuable experience coaching at the collegiate level alongside Lou Campanelli at Madison College, now James Madison University (1972-75), and Rollie Massimino at Villanova University (1975-78).

Coach Fratello caught his NBA break when longtime friend and mentor Hubie Brown hired him as an assistant coach for the Atlanta Hawks in 1978. Fratello manned the sidelines with Brown for three years and with Kevin Loughery for one year before joining Brown on the New York Knicks’ bench in 1982. Fratello returned to Atlanta to take over the reins when he was named head coach of the Hawks at the start of the 1983-84 season. Fiery and exacting, Coach Fratello spent seven seasons at the helm and steered the Hawks to five playoff berths, earning NBA Coach of the Year honors after leading them to a 50-32 record in 1986. He also captured the Central Division Title in 1987 with 57 wins, and he coached the East to a 138-133 victory in the 1988 All-Star Game.

In 1993 Fratello landed the head coaching position in Cleveland. Coach Fratello’s Cavaliers made it to the playoffs four out of six seasons and finished with a winning 248-212 record overall. Known for their grit and grinding defense, the Cavs set the NBA record in 1995-96 for fewest points allowed per game (88.5) since 1954 (when the league first implemented the 24-second shot clock), and then topped their own record the following year, giving up just 85.6 ppg. In December of 2004, Coach Fratello inherited the 5-11 Memphis Grizzlies and turned the team around, seizing 45 hard-fought regular season wins. He built on that record the next year to capture 49 games and advance to the playoffs for a second consecutive season. During Coach Fratello’s 15-year tenure as an NBA head coach, he compiled a 667-548 regular season record (a .549 winning percentage).

Capitalizing on his communication skills, Coach Fratello also carved out a successful career as a sportscaster, landing opportunities with NBC and TNT, as well as local networks covering the Pistons, Clippers, Heat and Nets games. Fratello got his start in this role when he was paired with “the voice of basketball” Marv Albert in the 1990-91 NBA season to form the main announcing team for the NBA on NBC. Albert dubbed Coach Fratello “The Czar of the Telestrator” for his creative way of diagramming basketball plays on screen and for his ability to break down offensive and defensive strategies with in-depth analysis. During his three-year stint with NBC Sports, Fratello also joined Bob Costas for NBC’s coverage of the 1992 Summer Olympic Games in Barcelona. “The Czar” went on to work as an NBA analyst for Turner Sports and covered the playoffs from 1994-96, the regular season from 1999-2004, and the 2007 playoffs. From 2009-2013 Fratello again worked alongside Marv Albert, as well as Steve Kerr, Dick Stockton, Kevin Harlan and Reggie Miller, for TNT’s exclusive Thursday night NBA coverage. He also made regular appearances on NBA TV before joining its NBA GameTime Live crew 2014-2019 to deliver game analysis and cover breaking news around the league.

In October of 2008, YES Network brought Coach Fratello aboard as a color commentator for the Nets, pairing him with play-by-play virtuosos Marv Albert and Ian Eagle as well as rising star Ryan Ruocco for nine seasons before Fratello moved to the studio for the 2017-18 NBA season to cohost with Chris Shearn, Nancy Newman and Bob Lorenz. In 2014, Fast Break with Fratello aired on FOX 8 News in the Morning, during which Coach Fratello previewed and reviewed the biggest Cavs games. Since 2016, Fratello has joined select FOX Sports Ohio (now Bally Sports Ohio) Cavaliers Live pregame and postgame shows as a guest analyst to provide commentary, break down the action and offer a coach’s perspective. After having served as the lead color analyst for the Los Angeles Clippers from 1990 to 1992, Coach Fratello returned to their organization for the 2018 season as a rotating analyst. A respected basketball authority, Fratello continues to serve in this role with the Clippers, engaging and entertaining
hoops fans with his sharp game analysis, unique insights and playful banter.

Over the course of his commentating career spanning three decades, Fratello has garnered a number of accolades, including New York Emmy Award nominations in 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 for his work on YES. In 2014, Fratello was a member of YES’s Nets broadcast team that won a New York Emmy for Best Live Sports Series. In 2015 Fratello took home the New York Emmy for Best Sports Analyst. And Fratello was a member of the Fox Sports Ohio broadcast team that won a Lower Great Lakes Emmy award for the Cavaliers Live pregame show, 2017 Playoffs & NBA Finals. Fratello was honored by his peers in 2022 when the National Basketball Coaches Association named him the 17th recipient of the Chuck Daly Lifetime Achievement Award.

Despite achieving success as a television personality, coaching was never far behind for Fratello. In 2011 his former Hawks player Alexander “Sasha” Volkov, then president of the Basketball Federation of Ukraine, invited Coach Fratello to head up their men’s national basketball team at the 2011 FIBA European Championship. In 2012 Fratello returned to coach Ukraine in the EuroBasket 2013 Qualification Tournament and clinched a spot to compete in Slovenia the following year. At the 2013 FIBA European Championship, Coach Fratello led Ukraine to a 6-5 record, good for a sixth place finish, and earned an automatic bid to compete in the FIBA Basketball World Cup for the first time in Ukraine’s history. Fratello coached the Ukraine National Team in the 2014 FIBA Basketball World Cup in Spain and helped Ukraine establish itself as a formidable competitor on the global stage.

Seizing on Fratello’s international experience and success, USA Basketball named him head coach of the USA Basketball Men’s National Team that went undefeated in the February 2020 and November 2020 FIBA AmeriCup qualifying tournaments to secure a berth in the AmeriCup 2022. Coach Fratello was honored to represent his country and to be an ambassador for basketball in an arena that showcased the power of sports to transcend borders and inspire future generations of athletes and fans.

Tim Alcorn
Audio Play-By-Play Broadcaster

Tim Alcorn begins his fourth season as the Cavaliers audio play-by-play broadcaster on the Cavaliers AudioVerse after originally joining the team in September 2019. He conducts the Cavaliers broadcasts alongside Jim Chones, who is returning as the color analyst for his 13th season in the Cavaliers audio booth. Alcorn has also recently filled in on the Guardians Radio Network and does audio play by play for the OHSSA State Final 4 Baseball Tournament annually.

Before joining the Cavaliers, Alcorn spent the previous 27 years at AM930 WEOL in Lorain/Elyria, where he was most recently the lead sports voice, sports director and station manager. He has been a sportscaster in the Northeast Ohio area since 1985, beginning his radio career at WOBL in Oberlin after graduating from Kent State University, and later joining AM930 WEOL in 1992.

During his time at WEOL, Alcorn was the host of “Countdown at The Q” and “From the Dugout,” live on-site pregame shows before home Cavs and Indians games, respectively. He was additionally the play-by-play announcer for thousands of local high school football, basketball, baseball and softball games, and hosted multiple programs promoting high school athletics.

Alcorn has been honored with several Hall of Fame inductions over his career, including the Lorain County Football Coaches Hall of Fame, the Lorain County Boys Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame, the Lorain County Girls Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame, the Elyria Area Umpires Hall of Fame and the Ohio High School Basketball Coaches Hall of Honor. He has also been a recipient of the Lorain County Athletic Administrators Citizenship Award and the OHSAA Northeast District Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity Award, and is a three-time winner of the Ohio Associated Press “Best Sports Broadcaster” award. He serves on both the Midview and Elyria Sports Hall of Fame committees and is an inductee of the “Make a Difference” Hall of Honor at his alma mater, Midview High School.

Alcorn and his wife, Diane, are the proud parents of four children – daughters Kara and Alyssa, and sons Shawn and Ryan.
Jim Chones
Audio Color and Postgame Analyst

Jim Chones returns for his 13th season as the color analyst on the Cavaliers AudioVerse, providing in-game commentary for all Cavs games as well as postgame analysis following all home games. Jim also appears every Wednesday morning at 8:25 a.m. on WTAM 1100 with Bill Wills and Mike Snyder for the daily Cavs Update and is very active in the community as part of the Cavaliers Legends program.

Chones played with the Cavaliers for five seasons, including the “Miracle of Richfield” season in 1975-76 when he averaged a career-high 15.8 points per game while contributing 9.0 rebounds per contest. The former center is seventh on the list of all-time Cavaliers rebounders with 3,790 boards and is eighth with 2,750 defensive rebounds. In April 1991, Chones was chosen by Cavs fans as the center for the “Classic Cavs Team” covering the first 20 years of the Cleveland Cavaliers’ history.

Before joining the Cavaliers for the 1974-75 season, Chones played for two years in the American Basketball Association for the New York Nets and the Carolina Cougars. He earned an NBA Championship ring with the Los Angeles Lakers in 1980 and after two years with the Lakers, he completed his NBA career with the Washington Bullets.

Chones played three seasons with the Marquette Warriors before turning pro. He was a starter on the United States squad in the 1972 Pan American Games.

Following his playing career, Chones spent 10 seasons as the color analyst for Cavaliers games on SportsChannel Ohio and the Cavs Television Network. He also served as a color analyst for college games on ESPN and for the NBA’s Milwaukee Bucks on Fox Sports Wisconsin.

Jim and his wife, Elores reside in Beachwood and are the parents of daughters Kareeda and Kaayla, and of triplet sons Kameron, Kyle and Kendall. His family is the only family in NCAA Division I history to have six family members play Division I sports.

Mike Snyder
Cavaliers AudioVerse Studio Host

Mike Snyder returns as the Cavaliers AudioVerse Studio Host for the 2022-23 season, his 31st straight year in the position. Snyder begins each Cavaliers broadcast with the 30-minute “Huntington Tip-Off Show,” a comprehensive look at what’s happening around the NBA, featuring interviews, game reports, injury updates and a preview of the Cavaliers game with Head Coach J.B. Bickerstaff and audio play-by-play announcer Tim Alcorn.

Following every game, Snyder also hosts the postgame show with Jim Chones and/or Brad Sellers. The postgame show features Head Coach J.B. Bickerstaff’s postgame press conference and players’ comments from both locker rooms. Snyder also serves as an occasional co-host of “Cavs HQ,” which airs on the Cavs AudioVerse.

Snyder is currently the Sports Director at WTAM 1100, where he is co-host of the Wills & Snyder show on mornings 5 a.m. to 9 a.m. He has also hosted pregame and postgame shows for the Cleveland Browns radio network.

Throughout his career, Snyder has done play-by-play announcing for Browns preseason games, the University of Akron, Kent State, Cleveland State basketball, Cleveland Force soccer and Canton-Akron Indians baseball. Snyder was inducted into the Ohio Broadcasters Hall of Fame in 2000 and was named the 2014 recipient of the Excellence in Radio Broadcasting Award by the Cleveland Association of Broadcasters. In 2018, he was inducted into the Press Club of Cleveland’s Hall of Fame.

On December 15th, 2021, Snyder celebrated his milestone 2,500th game behind the microphone on the Cavaliers Radio Network.

Snyder and his wife, Janice, reside in Lakewood and are the proud parents of three adult children and grandparents of two granddaughters.
Brad Sellers
Cavs Audio Studio Analyst

Brad Sellers begins his 13th season as the Cavaliers AudioVerse studio analyst. Following all road games, he teams with host Mike Snyder on the Cavaliers Postgame Show to recap the game and offer commentary.

Sellers played six seasons in the NBA after being drafted by the Chicago Bulls as the ninth overall pick in the 1986 NBA Draft. He appeared in 398 NBA games and finished his career with averages of 6.3 points and 2.7 rebounds per game. After finishing his NBA career, Sellers played professionally in Greece, France, Spain and Israel before retiring in 2000. He is an alumnus of The Ohio State University, where he played basketball for two seasons after transferring from the University of Wisconsin, where he also played for two years.

A local high school product, Sellers is one of the most decorated athletes to play in the Greater Cleveland Area. He led Warrensville Heights to an 88-14 record during his high school career.

Sellers is currently serving in third term as the mayor of the City of Warrensville Heights. He is the seventh mayor of the city and the first native resident of Warrensville Heights to be elected to the office. He was sworn in as mayor on January 1, 2012. Along with his duties as mayor, Sellers also serves as the Chair of the Cuyahoga County Convention Facilities Development Corporation and Chair of the First Suburbs Consortium. He also serves on the Boards of the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission, DOPWIC, and Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corp.

Rafael Hernández Brito
Bilingual Audio Announcer, Cleveland Cavaliers

Rafa Hernandez-Brito is returning for his 9th season as the Bilingual voice of Los Cavs en Español. He brings his high-energy style of play-by-play to each game broadcast airing on Power 89.1 FM.

Hernandez-Brito, known as Rafa “El Alcalde” (The Mayor) is the first Hispanic sportscaster to have called finals in all three major sports and the NCAA Final Four in the U.S. He is a syndicated sportscaster in the US and Latin America with the ability to call all major sports, showcasing an extensive career in sports radio and television in the Hispanic market. His road to the microphone is an American dream, a testament of his hard work, dedication, and transparency, which are the pillars to his success.

Rafa was the voice of the New Jersey Nets 1997-2001 and also called the basketball games for St. John’s University Men’s basketball during the same period. He was the first Spanish voice of the Brooklyn Nets in 2010-2012. In 2016 Rafa became the Public Address Announcer and the voice of legendary Azteca Stadium in Mexico City for the annual edition of NFL Mexico games and continues to serve as the Hispanic voice of the NCAA Final Four Tournaments.

During his outstanding career at Univision, he served as the voice of NFL for the Spanish broadcasts of Univision Radio Network from 2005 to 2013 including Pro Bowls and Super Bowls and was the play-by-play in Spanish for the Miami Dolphins. Rafa served as Director of Sports for Univision Radio Network in 2005-2013, and the creator/host/Executive Producer of “Locura Deportiva” the most successful sports program on Univision Radio, presiding frank colorful discussions and often comical takes about the issues of the day. He was also the creator and host of “El Garage de AutoZone,” a morning automotive show, perhaps best described as a Spanish version of the immensely popular NPR program “Car Talk”.

Rafa is a charismatic individual, passionate about his work, always prepared, and knowledgeable on all sports. Throughout his extensive career he has also called Major and Little League Baseball, Mixed Martial Arts, UFC, and Boxing, in addition to having covered the Mexican League, five World Cups, and served as the executive producer of the popular podcast “Road Trippin’ with RJ and Channing, Hosted by Allie Clifton”. Today Rafa has a daily syndicated radio sports show airing in the US and Latin America.

Rafa finished high school in Locust Valley, New York. He went on to earn a degree in Mechanical Engineering at Boston University, followed by a flourishing career in sales and Marketing with Coors Brewing Co. Although successful; one day he decided to change course and follow his passion for sports broadcasting and has worked diligently to bring excellent content to his audience ever since.
Kurt McLaughlin serves as the Producer of the Cavaliers AudioVerse. In a position he has held for the past 11 years, he is responsible for overall game broadcast content which includes providing information, interviews and other support to studio host and play-by-play announcers while also handling all general production for in-house and client needs. McLaughlin also serves as Associate Producer for Cavs Spanish radio, Charge and Monsters broadcasts as well as producing Cavs HQ, the team’s official weekly radio show.

From 2003 to 2010, McLaughlin was the studio producer for the Mike Trivisonno and Bob Frantz shows at the Cavaliers flagship station WTAM 1100, while serving as an on-air sidekick for both programs. McLaughlin also was a board operator for Cavaliers, Browns and Indians radio broadcasts and was a production assistant during that time as well.

Joe Gabriele heads into his 20th season as the beat writer for the Cleveland Cavaliers’ official website, Cavs.com. Gabriele is responsible for the site’s overall content including game previews, recaps and feature articles. He’s also producer and co-host of the site’s podcast “Wine and Gold Radio” along with Cavs Spanish Radio’s Rafa Hernandez-Brito.

Before joining the Cavaliers in 2003, Gabriele served as both newsdesk and team sites editor for the NBA in New York and New Jersey. Prior to working for the NBA, he was a managing editor at Professional Sports Publishing, also in New York. He has written for national and local publications such as HOOP Magazine and the Downtown Tab.

Gabriele is a graduate of Cleveland State University and enjoys painting, biking, kayaking and hanging out with his pets in his free time.
B.J. Evans
Vice President of Basketball Communications

B.J. Evans was promoted to Vice President of Basketball Communications in June of 2022. He spent the previous eight seasons as the department’s director.

Evans leads the Basketball Communications Team in promoting on- and off-court endeavors of the Cavaliers’ organization, its players, coaches and basketball front office staff, as well as facilitating the requests of the local, national and international media. Evans is responsible for all day-to-day media operations, including managing all press conferences and interviews for players, coaches and basketball front office staff, overseeing of gameday credentials, writing and editing of press releases, game notes, publications and statistics, pitching feature story ideas to local and national media outlets daily, and monitoring and approving all social media activities that originate internally before they post. He is also in charge of coordinating all individual player and team media training seminars, while executing one-on-one internal media prep sessions, and providing talking points and publicly released statements.

Additionally, Evans assists engagement with the Cavaliers Legends and alumni activities and works closely with community relations, corporate partnerships, broadcasting, social media/digital, and marketing teams to ensure appropriate representation and team and player expectations. Evans initially joined the organization in June of 2013 as Director of Basketball Communications.

Prior to becoming director of basketball communications, Evans spent nine seasons with the Charlotte Bobcats. He was most recently the team’s Vice President of Communications, where he oversaw the organization’s basketball and business publicity efforts and was the primary liaison between the team and the local, national and international media.

Evans, who initially joined the Bobcats as Public Relations Manager in March 2004, was named Director of Media Services in May 2006 and took over the department, which was later changed to Basketball Communications, in December of that year. Prior to joining the Bobcats, Evans served as Assistant Director of Sports Media Relations with the Miami Heat and earlier was the Media Relations Manager for the former NBA D-League affiliate Asheville Altitude during the league’s inaugural season, managing all of the team’s media relations functions.

Evans served as Assistant Commissioner for Media Relations at the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) and served as an NCAA Committee Representative for the NCAA Women’s Basketball Tournament from 1999-2001. Additionally, his experience includes stints as Sports Information Director and head of game operations at North Carolina A&T State University and at the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore. During the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta, he served as Tribune Manager at the inaugural beach volleyball venue.

A graduate of North Carolina A&T State University, Evans earned his B.A. in Public Relations. He was most recently named Vice President of the Cleveland Alumni Chapter of the N.C A&T. He and his wife, Kyle, have one daughter, Bailey.

Cherome Owens
Basketball Communications Senior Manager

Cherome Owens was promoted to Basketball Communications Senior Manager for the Cleveland Cavaliers in August 2022 after spending the previous four seasons as basketball communications manager. Owens is primarily responsible for game notes, press releases, media credentials and team publications. He also helps arrange interviews with players, coaches and front office personnel, oversees the team’s media website and official statistical Twitter account (@CavsNotes), trains the seasonal and game night assistant, tracks media coverage, and manages the day-to-day operations of the department.

Owens was also the department’s coordinator for three years (2015-2018) after spending two seasons with the team as the sports communications coordinator (2013-2015) and four seasons as a basketball communications seasonal assistant (2009-2013). Prior to his 13 years with the Cavaliers, Owens was the public relations intern for the Milwaukee Bucks during the 2008-09 season and baseball information assistant for the Cleveland Indians in 2011. He received his first position in professional sports for the Bucks in 2003-04 as a team attendant.

A native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Owens attended the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, graduating with honors in 2008 with a B.A. in print journalism and earning a minor in coaching. He lives in Middleburg Heights, Ohio with his fiancé, Erin, daughter, Flora, and his dog, Ziggy.
Sam Coombs
Basketball Communications Manager

Sam Coombs was promoted to Basketball Communications Manager for the Cleveland Cavaliers in August 2022 after serving as Coordinator during the 2021-22 season. He is primarily responsible for managing credential operations, facilitating media and internal requests for players and front office staff, writing press releases, media advisories and game notes, producing team publications, hiring and training the seasonal and game night assistant, managing the Cavaliers’ game night stat crew and maintaining the department’s official statistical Twitter account, @CavsNotes.

Coombs previously served as a Communications Intern at USA Basketball in 2021 during the Tokyo Olympics where he was in charge of men’s Olympic game notes as well as leading the PR efforts for the 2021 men’s and women’s USA U19 programs. Coombs was also a Basketball Communications Seasonal Assistant with the Cavaliers during the 2019-20 season. He also held previous internships as a Player & Media Relations intern with the Arizona Diamondbacks in 2019, a Communications Game Day Assistant with the Phoenix Mercury in 2019, a Media Relations Coordinator with USA Baseball in 2017 and a Production & Operations Assistant at Fox Sports Ohio in Cleveland from 2016-2018.

A native of Harpswell, Maine, Coombs graduated from Kent State University in 2018, earning a B.S. in Digital Media Production and also attended Southern Maine Community College. In his free time, Coombs enjoys playing the guitar and piano, traveling and shooting hoops. He lives in Middleburg Heights, Ohio.

Zack Yohman
Vice President, Corporate and Strategic Communications
Cleveland Cavaliers and Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse

Zack Yohman is the Vice President, Corporate and Strategic Communications for the Cleveland Cavaliers and Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse. In this role, he is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day communication efforts for the corporate and business side of the organization with an emphasis on driving market and industry awareness of organizational proficiency in areas such as sponsorship, technology, digital, ticket and premium sales, leadership development, marketing, analytics, and more.

In addition, Yohman’s role has expanded to include overseeing public relations and communications for Cavs Legion GC, the NBA 2K League team of the Cavs. He also provides communication support to Rock Entertainment Group, the umbrella entity of sports and entertainment properties with the Dan Gilbert Rock Family of Companies.

Yohman joined the organization in 2015 after previously serving as Digital and Social Media Director for Nagel Advertising. He serves on the Associate Board of Recovery Resources, a Cleveland nonprofit who helps people triumph over mental illness, alcoholism, drug and other addictions through outpatient programming.

Raised and still residing in Medina, OH, Yohman, 31, graduated from the University of Toledo in 2014 with a degree in communications. He and his wife, Danielle, have two sons, Lukas and Hudson.
2022-23 Key Dates

2022

June 30
Teams can begin negotiating with free agents (beginning at 6 p.m. ET)

July 2-3
California Summer League (San Francisco, CA)

July 5-7
Utah Jazz Summer League (Salt Lake City, UT)

July 6
NBA Teams may begin signing free agents to contracts (12:01 p.m. ET)

July 7-17
MGM Resorts NBA Summer League (Las Vegas, NV)

September 9-10
Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame Enshrinement Weekend (Springfield, MA)

September 23
First allowable date for players participating in preseason games outside North America to report to their teams (no earlier than 11 a.m. local time)

September 24
Training Camps open for all teams participating in preseason games outside North America

September 26
First allowable date for all other veteran players to report to their teams (no earlier than 11 a.m. local time)

September 27
NBA Training Camps open

September 30
NBA Preseason games begin

September 30 & October 2
NBA Japan Games, Golden State Warriors vs. Washington Wizards (Tokyo, Japan)

October 6 & 8
NBA Abu Dhabi Games, Atlanta Hawks vs. Milwaukee Bucks, (Abu Dhabi, UAE)

October 14
NBA Preseason ends

October 17
Rosters set for NBA Opening Day (5 p.m. ET)

October 18
Start of the 2022-23 NBA Regular Season

October 22
2022-23 NBA G League Draft

October 24
NBA G League Training Camps Open

November 3
Rosters set for NBA G League Opening Day (5 p.m. ET)

November 4
NBA G League Showcase Cup begins

December 17
NBA Mexico City Game, Miami Heat vs. San Antonio Spurs (Mexico City, Mexico)

December 19-22
NBA G League Winter Showcase and Showcase Cup Championship Game

December 27
NBA G League 32-game regular season begins
2022-23 Key Dates (continued)

2023

January 5 10-day contracts may now be signed
January 10 All Standard NBA contracts are guaranteed for the remainder of the season
January 19 NBA Paris Game, Chicago Bulls vs. Detroit Pistons, (Paris, France)
January 20 All Two-Way Contracts are guaranteed for the remainder of the season
February 9 NBA Trade Deadline (3 p.m. ET)
February 17-19 NBA All-Star 2022 (Salt Lake City, UT)
February 17-22 NBA All-Star break
March 1 Playoff Eligibility Waiver Deadline
March 25 NBA G League Regular Season ends
March 28 NBA G League Playoffs begin
April 9 Regular Season ends
April 11-14 NBA Play-In Tournament
April 10 Rosters set for NBA Playoffs 2022 (3 p.m. ET)
April 15 NBA Playoffs 2022 begin
April 23 NBA Early Entry Eligibility Deadline (11:59 p.m. ET)
May 1-2 Conference Semifinals begin (possible move up to April 29/30)
May 16-17 Conference Finals begin (possible move up to May 14-15)
May 16 NBA Draft Lottery 2023 presented by State Farm
June 1 NBA Finals 2023 Game 1
June 4 NBA Finals 2023 Game 2
June 7 NBA Finals 2023 Game 3
June 9 NBA Finals 2023 Game 4
June 12 NBA Draft Early Entry Entrant Withdrawal Deadline (5 p.m. ET)
June 12 NBA Finals 2023 Game 5 (if necessary)
June 15 NBA Finals 2023 Game 6 (if necessary)
June 18 NBA Finals 2023 Game 7 (if necessary)
June 22 NBA Draft 2023 presented by State Farm