



**2026 NCAA Men's Final Four
Local Organizing Committee (LOC)
Committee Description**

Division: Education
Committee: Professional Career Development

Division Co-Chairs:

- Claire Fiddian-Green
- Frederick Yeakey
- Dr. Latha Ramchand

Committee Members:

- Rebecca Hutton (Co-Chair)
- Doneisha Posey (Co-Chair)
- Andrew Peñalva (Co-Chair)
- Brad Rhorer (Co-Chair)

Indiana Sports Corp Staff:

- Ashleigh Newbold (Division Lead)
- Alyssa Chavez (Committee Lead)

Overview:

The Education Division will be responsible for executing educational programming, support and development opportunities for the following target markets:

- Youth K-7
- College Students
- Student-Athletes
- Teachers
- Professionals & Emerging Leaders

This committee will work to establish programs that engage professionals and emerging leaders as it relates to the Final Four.

Objectives:

1. Develop program milestones and goals from March 2025 – April 2026.
2. Develop programs that support the engagement of the Local Organizing Committee.
3. Create and execute programs that engage the business community in the Final Four through professional development opportunities, speaker series, and other opportunities that inspire community leadership.

4. Develop programs that engage young professionals and emerging leaders through storytelling around the history of the sports strategy, highlighting the current leaders, and inspiring through presenting opportunities to get involved.
5. Collaborate with LOC committees to promote opportunities to the business community to get involved or participate in the Final Four.

Expectations:

- Commitment to the committee through April 2026.
- Become an Indiana Sports Corp member – starting at \$50/year, less than \$5/month.
- Attend the first LOC Meeting in February 2025 focused on onboarding and learning about the NCAA Men’s Final Four.
- Attend monthly committee and LOC meetings starting next June 2025.
 - Meetings will be a mix of in-person and virtual.
 - Meetings may increase leading up to the event.
- Attend and lead consistent editorial meetings in collaboration with the Public Relations Committee.
- Be an advocate for the 2026 NCAA Men’s Final Four and Indiana Sports Corp through sharing opportunities within personal and professional networks.
- Be an active participant in committee and subcommittee meetings by completing assigned tasks, engaging in conversations and planning, and being a strong contributor to the team.

Benefits:

- Expand your network and build your personal brand
- Develop mentor/mentee relationships
- Be a part of the team hosting world-class sporting events
- Make an impact in the community
- Represent the city of Indianapolis
- Event and Indiana Sports Corp swag when available