2024-25 SCHEDULING FORMAT & PARAMETERS

**⯈ WBB – 18 games over 19 windows. Play 3 teams twice and 12 teams once.**

**[MBB – 20 games over TBD. Play 5 teams twice and 10 teams once.]**

**PARAMETERS (MBB and WBB)**

Conference schedules are formulated by the Conference office and generated by a computer. The Big 12 utilizes both “core” and “soft” scheduling principles. Each schedule reviewed must meet all the following core principles:

* Among the first four games, at least two will be at home and two on the road.
* Among the last four games, at least two will be at home and two on the road.
* No team will play more than two consecutive Conference road games.
* A road Big Monday game will be preceded by a home game on Saturday or Sunday *(except for nearby opponents if necessary or requested)*
* Friday-Saturday (weekend) and Monday-Thursday (midweek).
* Each institution will have a similar number of weekend home games (a minimum of four).
* Bye dates, when available, will generally be mid-week.
* At least three games/or 10 days between rematches (prefer four games and/or 15 days).
* Consecutive road games (A-A) will be minimized to the extent possible except in the case of an Away-Away trip for travel efficiency.

In addition to the core principles, the Conference office staff reviews compliance with the following soft principles, which are not mandated but are avoided when possible. In some instances, institutions may agree to allow these issues to occur. The soft principles include:

* Avoid four of five games on the road anywhere in the schedule.
* Avoid four of the first six games on the road.
* Avoid four of the last six games on the road.
* Avoid opening road/road.
* Avoid closing road/road.
* Work to balance playing teams coming off of a bye date (PABs – Plays After Byes).
* Big Monday home game is preceded by a road game.

Adjustments are made for building conflicts, television requests, and men’s and women’s games scheduled at home on the same day as generated by the computer. The Conference office will put forth its best effort to minimize same-day games (men/women).