Rules will be similar to last year (changes in bold):

* 12 games will be selected per week during the regular season and conference championships (14 weeks)
* Points will be awarded to those who select the winner of each game based upon the number of people selecting the losing team (e.g. if 12 people select team A and 18 people select team B, team A would provide 48 points [30 base points + 18 bonus] to those that selected team A if they were to win and team B would provide 42 points [30 base points + 12 bonus] to those that selected team B if they were to win)
* UM and MSU games will always be included and will be against the spread if the spread is greater than 3 points
* Non-UM/MSU games will be against the spread if the spread meets or exceeds 10 points
* A “best bet” will be selected each week by each participant and will be worth 2x if selected correctly (following the same point system as mentioned above)
* Submissions are DUE by **4pm ET** on the Thursday preceding the weekend’s games
* Bowl games **(**[**for info on the college football playoff system click here**](http://espn.go.com/college-football/story/_/id/10767521/a-primer-new-college-football-playoff)**)**
  + Regular bowl games are worth the same amount as a regular season game
  + The Fiesta, Rose, Sugar, and Peach Bowls will be worth 1.5x the points of a regular season game
  + The two semifinal games will be worth 2x the points of a regular season game **(this year – Cotton and Orange)**
  + The National Championship Game will be worth 3x the points of a regular season game – the selection of the national champion will occur with the other bowl games
* Absenteeism
  + Expulsion will occur if selections are not provided for two straight weeks – yikes, don’t do this!
  + If selections are not provided for any two weeks, that participant is on probation for the remainder of the season.  Any additional abstentions on providing picks while a participant is on probation during that season will result in expulsion.
  + The reason for this is to ensure that the point system is not compromised week-by-week by those that do not participate
  + For weeks that are not submitted, the ‘favorite’ according to odds makers will automatically be selected and no best bet will be selected