2026 TIAA BIG TEN MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Game #6 • Wednesday, March 11, 2026
United Center • Chicago, Ill.
FINAL: #14 Rutgers d. #11 Minnesota, 72-67
RECORDS: Minnesota (15-17), Rutgers (14-18)
#14 Rutgers advances to play #6 UCLA at approx. 8 p.m. CT on Thursday

GAME NOTES

MINNESOTA

- The Golden Gophers, who used six players in the game, outscored Rutgers 20-0 in fast-break points.
- Cade Tyson tallied 24 points, going 9-for-13 from the floor while playing all 40 minutes. He has scored in double-figures in all 31 games this season.
- Minnesota shot 52.1 percent from the field (25-for-48).
- Minnesota came into the game leading the nation in assist percentage (71.4) and doled out 23 assists on 25 made field goals tonight.

RUTGERS

- Tariq Francis scored 29 points, setting a Rutgers record for a Big Ten Tournament game.
- Francis surpassed 20 points in a game for the tenth time this season and for the 32nd time in his career.
- Rutgers averaged 29.2 bench points during the season (second best in the Big Ten). They won the bench battle tonight, 21-3.
- Rutgers never trailed by more than five points during the game.

MISCELLANEOUS/TOURNAMENT NOTES

- All four teams that trailed at halftime of today's second round games went on to win.
- Tonight's game marked the second meeting between Minnesota and Rutgers in 18 days. Minnesota won a home game versus Rutgers, 80-61, on Feb. 21.
- There were 12 lead changes and 10 ties in tonight's contest.