The Vanderbilt Media Relations Office welcomes your interest in the Vanderbilt women’s basketball program. We will make every effort to meet your needs throughout the season. Following is information and guidelines to help you during the season and allow our coaches and players to adhere to their schedules.

Credentials
Season credentials will be issued to media who cover Vanderbilt basketball on a regular basis. Single game credentials also will be available for media who cover the team less frequently. Please email or fax your request to the Media Relations office to the attention of the women's basketball contact. Credentials are limited to members of the working media only as defined by the NCAA and are nontransferable.

Media Parking
Media parking is located in the 25th Avenue parking garage located at the corner of 25th Avenue and Jess Neely Dr. After parking, please enter Memorial Gym through the service tunnel located in the Southwest corner of the facility behind the outfield wall of the baseball stadium.

Communication Possibilities
Media sitting in any location inside Memorial Gymnasium have access to the Internet via wireless connection. If you do not have capabilities for such access, please contact Chris Weinman prior to your arrival at Memorial Gymnasium. A select number of data lines are available.

Photographers
Credentialed photographers may work along the playing court endlines behind the restricted areas on game days. Photographers will not be allowed in the bench areas or sidelines. Flip cards and notes are available on Press Row. During practices, photographers and videographers must be accompanied by a member of the Media Relations Office. Strobe lights may not be installed in Memorial Gym without permission from the Media Relations Office. When using a Vanderbilt photo in a publication, please credit Vanderbilt Photography.

Interviews/Photo Requests and Practice Times
All interviews/photo requests should be arranged through the Media Relations Department more than 24 hours prior to the interview/photo shoot. For any interviews, and to confirm practice times and sites, contact the Media Relations office.

Media Workroom
The Press Room is located in the lower northeast corner of Memorial Gym, nearest the opponent's bench, and will open two hours prior to tipoff. This room will serve as a place for pregame meals as well as an area for the media to work after the game. The room is equipped with both telephone and data ports, and includes cable television, a copy room and food service.

The Vanderbilt Media Relations Office extends its sincere thanks to Joanna Fitzpatrick (left), Irene Womack, Carolyn Cate and Dick Cate, and Julie Popp (not pictured) who serve as hospitality volunteers in the pregame media room.
The official web site of Commodore Athletics
The latest information about Vanderbilt basketball and all Commodore teams is available on Vanderbilt’s website:

http://www.vucommodores.com

Media Interview Room
After a mandatory cooling off period, Coach Balcomb will be available in the Media Interview Room, followed by Vanderbilt players. The opposing coach and requested players may be available in the Interview Room, at the discretion of visiting SID’s. The Interview Room is located on the lower level of Memorial Gym near the media work room.

Press Row Services
Halftime box scores with play-by-play will be distributed on Press Row. Final books will be distributed in the Media Interview Room as soon as possible.

Visiting Radio
Vanderbilt provides a maximum of three courtesy lines for SEC teams and teams with a reciprocal agreement with Vanderbilt. Please contact the Media Relations office to reserve these lines or to order additional lines.

Vanderbilt Games on the Radio and Internet
Vanderbilt basketball can be heard live on WNSR-AM 560. Selected games will also be carried on networks of affiliate stations across the mid-state area.

Charlie Mattos returns for his 16th year as the voice of the Commodores. All games will be streamed and archived on the internet at the Commodores’ official web site, http://vucommodores.com.

You can also keep up with the Commodores on the internet through Gametracker live stats. Just check the front page of the website for the “live stats” link for a running box score throughout the game.

Media Outlets

Newspapers
The Tennessean (Nashville AM): Mike Organ, WBB beat writer
David Climer, Joe Biddle, columnists
1100 Broadway, Nashville, 37202
Phone: 615-259-8010; Fax: 259-8826

The Nashville City Paper (M-F): David Boclair, beat writer
P.O. Box 158434, Nashville, 37215
Phone: 615-298-9833; Fax: 298-9833

Murfreesboro Daily News Journal (PM): Greg Pogue, Sports Editor
224 N. Walnut St., Murfreesboro, 37130
Phone: 615-278-5167; Fax: 893-4186

Columbia Daily Herald (PM): Marion Wilhoite, Sports Editor
P.O. Box 1425, Columbia, 38401
Phone: 931-388-6464; Fax: 388-1003

Memphis Commercial-Appeal (AM)
495 Union Avenue, Memphis, 38101
Phone: 901-529-2366; Fax: 529-2362

Chattanooga Times-Free Press (AM)
P.O. Box 951, Chattanooga, 37401
Phone: 423-756-1234; Fax: 752-3364

Vanderbilt Hustler (Student Newspaper)
Box 1504, Station B, Nashville, 37221
Phone: 615-322-2424; Fax: 322-3762

Wire Services
Associated Press: Teresa Walker, beat writer
215 Centerville Dr., Brentwood, 37027
Phone: (615) 373-9988; Fax: 376-0947

Radio
WGFX, 104.5-FM (Flagship)
Mark Howard, Kevin Ingram & Frank Wycheck (AM drive time)
George Plaster, Willy Daunic & Darren McFarland (PM drive time)
506 2nd Avenue South, Nashville, 37205
Phone: 615-244-9533; Fax: 615-259-1271

WNSR, AM-560
Greg Pogue & David Coleman (AM)
Don West (early afternoon)
Bill King (PM drive time)
435 37th Avenue North, Nashville, 37209
Phone: 615-844-1039; Fax: 777-2284

WLAC, AM-1510
Duncan Stewart & Conn Hamlett (evenings)
55 Music Square West, Nashville, 37203
Phone: 615-664-2400; Fax: 744-4743

Television
WKRN-TV, ABC, Channel 2: Cory Curtis, Sports Director
Joe Dubin, reporter
Dawn Davenport, reporter
441 Murfreesboro Road, Nashville, 37210
Phone: 615-369-7240; Fax: 248-7249

WSMV-TV, NBC, Channel 4: Rudy Kalis, Sports Director
PO Box 4, Nashville, 37202
Phone: 615-353-2407; Fax: 353-2343

WTVF-TV, CBS, Channel 5: Hope Hines, Sports Director
Eric Yutzy, Brian McKeegan, producers
474 J. Robertson Pkwy., Nashville, 37219
Phone: 615-248-5285; Fax: 244-9883

WZTV-TV, FOX, Channel 17: Paul Jones, Sports Director
Dave Foster, Dan Phillips reporters
621 Mainstream, Nashville, 37228
Phone: 615-369-5561; Fax: 369-3299

Media Information
Directions to Memorial Gym & Media Parking

From The South
Take I-65 North to I-40 West to Exit 209A (Broadway-West End). Turn left to go west on Broadway. When Broadway splits, stay to the right to enter West End Ave. Take West End past the University on the left and turn left on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

From The North
Take I-65 South to I-40 East to Exit 209B (Broadway-West End). Turn right on Broadway. When Broadway splits, stay to the right to enter West End Ave. Take West End past the University on the left and turn left on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

From The East (Airport)
Take I-40 West to Exit 209A (Broadway-West End). Turn left to go west on Broadway. When Broadway splits, stay to the right to enter West End Ave. Take West End past the University on the left and turn left on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

From The West
Take I-40 East to I-440 East. Take the West End Exit heading east toward downtown. The Vanderbilt campus will be on your right. Turn right on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

From Chattanooga
Take I-24 West to I-440 West. Take Exit 1 (West End). Turn right off the exit onto West End Ave. The Vanderbilt campus will be on your right. Turn right on 25th Avenue. Proceed to the first stop sign where you will see the 25th Avenue Garage ahead on your left.

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<td>327-0922</td>
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<td>Hampton Suites</td>
<td>800-426-7866</td>
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<td>327-4707</td>
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<td>800-321-2211</td>
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* - Within walking distance of Memorial Gymnasium
Vanderbilt Mission Statement on NCAA Compliance

It is the goal of Vanderbilt University Athletic Department's Compliance Program to assist coaches and staff by developing and maintaining a compliance program that will educate, monitor and provide interpretations of NCAA and SEC rules. Staff members, student-athletes and supporters of Vanderbilt Athletics are encouraged to consult with the compliance staff when clarification is needed.

Institutional Control & Compliance

Institutional control of athletics is a fundamental requirement of NCAA legislation. Specifically, the NCAA constitution provides that each institution should be responsible for:

- Controlling its intercollegiate athletics program in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Association.
- Monitoring its programs to ensure compliance, identifying and reporting to the Association instances in which compliance has not be achieved and taking appropriate corrective actions.
- Insuring that members of the institution's staff, student-athletes and other individuals or groups representing the institution's athletics interests comply with all applicable Association rules.

Representatives of Athletics Interests (Boosters)

"A Representative of the Institution's Athletics Interest" (Booster) is an individual who is known (or should be known) by a member or members of the institution's executive or athletic administration to:

- Participate in or have been a member of a sport support group or booster club.
- Provide or have helped arrange employment for student-athletes.
- Have been involved, in any way, with the promotion of the Vanderbilt University athletic program.

**NOTE:** Once a person is identified as a “Representative of the Institution's Athletics Interests,” the person retains that identity

Recruiting

Recruitment of prospective student-athletes is the sole responsibility of Vanderbilt coaches. Do not become involved in the process.

Extra Benefits

Vanderbilt University's athletics interests (boosters) cannot provide an “extra benefit” or special arrangement to a prospect or to an enrolled student-athlete.

An extra benefit would include provision of any transportation, meals, clothes, entertainment, loans, or other benefits offered to a student-athlete or a student-athlete's relatives or friends unavailable to the general student population.

Examples of extra benefits that you cannot provide an athlete include, but are not limited to:

- Signing or cosigning a note with an outside agency to arrange a loan.
- Giving gifts of any kind (e.g., clothing, airline tickets, or holiday cards/gifts) or services (e.g., car repair, dental, free round of golf).
- Providing special discounts for goods and services.

Consequences to Boosters for NCAA Violations

Institutions are required by the NCAA to notify boosters of consequences regarding rules violations. Boosters found in violation of NCAA rules are subject to losing benefits and privileges, including season tickets.

The NCAA Committee on Infractions has processed cases in which penalties have included both the disassociation of boosters with the institution and the loss of season ticket privileges.

Remember: Ask Before You Act

Should you have any questions regarding NCAA rules and regulations, please contact the Vanderbilt University Compliance Office at (615) 322-4727, or check on the official website at www.vucommodores.com/compliance.
### VAN DERBILT QUICK FACTS

**Location**: Nashville, Tenn.  
**Conference**: Southeastern  
**Enrollment**: 6,532  
**Nickname**: Commodores  
**Colors**: Black & Gold  
**Home Court**: Memorial Gymnasium (14,168)  
**Chancellor**: Nicholas S. Zeppos (Wisconsin, 1976)  
**Vice Chancellor**: David Williams II (Northern Michigan, 1969)  
**Faculty Representative**: Lucius Outlaw  
**Director of Compliance/SA**: Candice Storey  
**Student Athletics Phone**: (615) 322-4653  
**Ticket Office Phone**: (615) 322-GOLD/4727  
**Website**: http://vucommodores.com

### TEAM INFORMATION

- **Program's First Year**: 1977-78  
- **Overall Record**: 674-325 (32 years)  
- **NCAA Tournament Appearances**: 22  
- **2008-09 Overall Record**: 26-9  
- **2008-09 SEC Record**: 10-4 (2nd)  
- **2008-09 Postseason**: SEC Tournament Champions (3-0), NCAA Sweet 16 (2-1)  
- **2008-09 Final Ranking (AP/USA Today)**: 14/8  
- **Starters Returning/Lost**: 8/5  
- **Newcomers**: 5

### COACHES & SUPPORT STAFF

- **Head Coach**: Melanie Balcomb (Trenton State, '84)  
- **Assistant Coach**: Vicky Picott (Rutgers, '92)  
- **Assistant Coach**: Kim Rosamond (Mississippi, '98)  
- **Assistant Coach**: Tom Garrick (Rhode Island, '89)  
- **Director of Basketball Operations/Video Coordinator**: Justin VanOrman  
- **DoBO Phone**: (615) 322-6851  
- **Certified Athletic Trainer**: Michele Loftis  
- **Strength & Conditioning Coach**: Tasha Weddle  
- **Academic Services Coordinator**: Christy Hogan  
- **Women's Basketball SID**: Chris Weinman

### GENERAL DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBERS

- **Academics**: 343-0444  
- **Business Office**: 343-1712  
- **Bookstore (Rand Hall)**: 322-2994  
- **Cheerleading**: 343-4411  
- **Compliance**: 322-7992  
- **Hendrix Room**: 343-8303  
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- **National Commodore Club**: 322-4114  
- **Tennis Office**: 322-6068  
- **Ticket Office**: 322-4653

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Writing an injured teammate’s number on your shoes.
A quick huddle before a free throw.
Wristbands.

Running suicides together for every missed free throw.
Setting a pick you’ll feel for a week.
Acknowledging a great pass.

The stale smell of bad road food.
Pre-game chants in the tunnel.
Nicknames that your fans don’t even know.

Senior night.
Carpooling to practice.
Hanging out after the game.

Summer league.
Cards on the bus.
Backside help on defense.

An encouraging word during a timeout.
A taunt from the bench.
A victory dance.

JUST DO IT.
Head Coach
Melanie Balcomb
gathers a first-rate staff
featuring current and
former players
to help instruct the
Commodore Basketball Camps
which include:

★ Skills Camp

★ Overnight Team
Challenge

★ Offensive Improvement

Skills Camp
★ For campers entering 3rd grade
to entering 12th grade
★ Fundamental skill development including
both offensive and defensive work

Overnight Team Challenge
★ For high school varsity teams and
15 and over AAU teams
★ Practice and play games with your team
working on improving your overall game

Offensive Improvement
★ For campers entering 3rd grade
to entering 12th grade
★ Develop all around offensive skills

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