NCAA DIVISION II ELITE EIGHT TOURNAMENT CAPSULE: Semifinal Game #2
March 24, 2016 at Dr. Pepper Arena, Frisco, Texas, 8:30 p.m., Central Time

#2 seed Augustana

Head Coach:	Tom Billeter (13th season)			
Overall Record:	32-2			
Conference Record:	21-1 (Northern Sun Inter. Conf.)			
vs. Top 25 Teams:	4-0			
vs. NCAA Field:	9-1			
NCAA Record:	14-15			
NCAA Appearance:	13th (1st Elite Eight)			
Last Appearance:	2015			

2016 Tournament Results (Central Regional):

Reg. Quarterfinals:	Def. Harding 100-85
Reg. Semifinals:	Def. Nebraska-Kearney 77-67
Reg. Championship:	Def. Northwest Mo. St. 80-78
Quarterfinals:	Def. Tarleton State 86-79

Probable Starters:

	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG
#11 Adam Beyer	6-6	Jr.	8.8	3.1
#23 Jordan Spencer	6-2	So.	9.4	3.9
#31 Alex Richter	6-5	Sr.	14.1	3.4
#32 Casey Schilling	6-6	Sr.	19.6	9.4
#33 Zach Huisken	6-9	Jr.	3.7	2.5

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Game Notes:

Augustana earned its first trip to the national semifinals by rallying from a 10-point deficit in the second half to beat Tarleton State Wednesday behind a career-high 32 points from Alex Richter. Prior to that, the Vikings won the Central Regional championship game over the team that eliminated it from the tournament a year ago, taking an 80-78 decision over Northwest Missouri State as Jordan Spencer hit two free throws with four seconds remaining. The Vikings, one of the five Elite Eight teams that have been ranked No. 1 this season, have gone 63-5 over the last two seasons.

Northern Sun player of the year Daniel Jansen and Casey Schilling are among the 25 players on the Bevo Francis Watch list and are the Vikings' top two scorers. Jansen is averaging 20.7 points a game and is Augustana's all-time leading scorer with 2,217 points, while Schilling also reached the 2,000-point mark in his career when he tallied 24 in the win over Northwest. Schilling is second among active Division II player (this season) with 970 career rebounds and recorded a double-double Wednesday.

Paced by Spencer, who has dished out 229 assists, the Vikings possess the nation's best assist-to-turnover ratio of 1.90-to-1. Augutana has led that category for much of the season as it ranks second in fewest turnovers with just 10.1 a game. Spencer's mark of 3.58-to-1 is the second-best assist-to-turnover mark in Division II.

The Vikings – who recorded an exhibition win in early November over Iowa – have had two double-digit winning streaks this year. After losing their season opener to Washburn, Augustana won 19 straight before losing at Northern State on Feb. 5. Since that loss, the Vikings have rattled off 13 straight wins.

#3 seed Western Oregon

Head Coach:	Jim Shaw (1st season)			
Overall Record:	31-3			
Conference Record:	18-2 (Great Northwest Ath. Conf.)			
vs. Top 25 Teams:	5-0			
vs. NCAA Field:	8-0			
NCAA Record:	4-1			
NCAA Appearance:	2nd (1st Elite Eight)			
Last Appearance:	2015			

2016 Tournament Results (South Central Regional):

Reg. Quarterfinals:	Def. Colo. School of Mines 83-61
Reg. Semifinals:	Def. Lubbock Christian 69-63
Reg. Championship:	Def. Angelo State 77-72
Quarterfinals:	Def. Saginaw Valley State 81-68

Probable Starters:

	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG
#0 Devon Alexander	6-1	Sr.	10.8	5.0
#10 Julian Nichols	6-2	Sr.	12.9	4.9
#11 Tanner Omlid	6-4	So.	10.3	5.6
#22 Jordan Wiley	6-6	Sr.	10.2	3.6
#32 Andy Avgi	6-6	Sr.	20.0	5.5

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In just its second trip to the NCAA Tournament, Western Oregon earned a spot in the Elite Eight after recording the second 30-win season in school history. The Wolves, who broke their school record with their 31st victory in Wednesday's semifinal victory over Saginaw Valley State, is the first school from the state of Oregon to reach the Division II Elite Eight.

Andy Avgi, a member of the Bevo Francis Award watch list and two-time Player of the Year in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference, is among five players in this week's tournament averaging at least 20 points per game. Avgi has posted a full stat line with 55 assists, 42 blocked shots, 42 steals, while shooting 52.9 percent from the field and over 39 percent from beyond the arc.

As a team, Western Oregon ranks sixth in Division II with just 292 turnovers, the fewest by any team in the Elite Eight; it committed only seven in Wednesday's win. The Wolves are also shooting 74.5 percent from the foul line, including a 57-of-66 performance (86.4 percent) in the three games during the West Regional and a 28-of-31 showing Wednesday.

WOU also leads the eight teams in the event with 279 steals, led by Tanner Omlid's 69 and three others with more than 40. Omlid also has 28 blocked shots, the last of which came in the final seconds to seal the victory for the Wolves in the West Regional title game against UC San Diego.