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Please contact **Kelly Shipp** at <u>kshipp@athletics.msstate.edu</u> or 402-616-3873 or **Brandon Langlois** at <u>blanglois@athletics.msstate.edu</u> or 601-405-5650 with any questions.

DWS Map | Map To Home Media Room | Map To Visiting Media Room

#### **Parking**

## Mississippi State Gameday Parking Website / Parking Map

- Media parking will be located in Lot 36, aka the Sanderson Center lot (across the street from the North Garage).
- Parking passes will be sent via email/text to media members on Thursday or Friday of each home game.
  - MSU Parking & Transit has notified us that due to increased student enrollment and the resulting need for additional residential parking spaces, the North Garage will have limited availability for the athletics department to use on football game days.
- Please be on the lookout for an email/text from blanglois@athletics.msstate.edu that contains individual parking
  passes for media. Text messages with parking passes will come from an 87593 number and allow you to send to your
  media team the parking passes you applied for.
- Please be advised, Mississippi State will NOT be providing a media shuttle this season.

# **Credential Pickup / Media Entrance**

- Media can pick up credentials, and enter Davis Wade Stadium, starting three (3) hours prior to kickoff outside
   Gate F on the northwest corner of Davis Wade Stadium.
- New in 2025, Media members are welcome to go through security screenings at any security checkpoint around Davis Wade Stadium. Media are still required to enter through Gate F to get to the press box.
- Only working staff that have been pre-approved by the Mississippi State Football Communications Office will be allowed in prior to the three-hour mark. Anyone entering early will enter through Gate C.
- All members of the media will be **required to show photo ID** to receive their credentials. Acceptable photo IDs include: Driver's Licenses, Outlet-issued press pass and student/staff IDs.
- If you have been approved for a photo/video pass with sideline access, you will also be given a photo vest at credential pickup to be worn at all times while on the sideline.
- Metal detectors will be stationed at all gates of Davis Wade Stadium and media must go through metal detector protocols before entering through Gate F.
- Once you have picked up your credentials, you must still proceed through the security checkpoint. After passing through the checkpoint, all media members will be directed to proceed up the elevators to the press box. The home team tunnel will remain off limits to non-institutional staff members at all times. Those with sideline passes can access the field through either the southeast or southwest field gates.
  - In order to access these field gates, media members should first proceed to the press box and then head down the two elevators on the southwest end of Davis Wade Stadium and walk through the concourse past the flagpole in the southwest corner.
- The clear bag policy does NOT apply to credentialed media, but all bags will be searched and tagged prior to entry.
- If you need to change the name on an already approved credential, please email Brandon Langlois & Kelly Shipp before 11 a.m. CT on Friday.
- For any questions regarding credentials on gameday:
  - o Please contact: Kelly Shipp (402) 616-3873
- **Reminder:** if you have been approved for early access into the stadium by either Kelly or Brandon, you will need to enter through Gate C.

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#### **Press Box Access & Information**

- The Robert M. Hartley Press Box is located on the 200 level of the west side of Davis Wade Stadium.
- To access the press box, enter Gate F on the northwest corner of the stadium and take the elevator to Level 3. Please be prepared for an extended wait time for elevators.
- Review the seating charts located throughout the press box to locate your assigned seat in the press box or photo workroom.
- A media meal will be provided two (2) hours prior to kickoff for each game.
- MSU will NOT provide printed materials such as game notes or stats. All of those documents are available at HailState.com/FBMedia25
- Please note: The Davis Wade Stadium press box will close 3 hours after the conclusion of Mississippi State's post
  game press conference. Members of the media are welcome to continue working down in the Golding Family
  Media Center located in the north end zone of the stadium. This will allow for an easier exit and put you closer to
  media parking lots.

#### **Postgame Interviews**

- Postgame interviews for Mississippi State will be held in the Golding Family Media Center located in the north end zone of the stadium.
- Head coach Jeff Lebby and select student-athletes will be available for postgame interviews following a brief cooling off period.
- Members of the media with photo/video credentials:
  - o Media members with a photo/video credential can access the Golding Family Media Center via the northwest tunnel, by exiting the stadium, and then walking through the Dowsing-Bell Plaza.
- Members of the media with press box credentials:
  - Media members coming from the press box can access the Golding Family Media Center by taking the
    elevator down to Field Level (FL). When you reach field level, take an immediate left through the double
    doors followed by another immediate left out of Gate F. Next, take a right at Barr Ave. and then walk
    toward the Dowsing-Bell Plaza where the Golding Family Media Center is located.
- Media members are not permitted to use the home locker room tunnel at any time.
- Visiting team postgame interviews will be held on the second level of Turman Fieldhouse located in the south end zone of the stadium.

# **Photographer / Videographer Access**

- Only members of the media with photo / video sideline credentials will have access to the sidelines pregame, ingame and postgame.
- Non-institutional photographers / videographers are prohibited from coming within 6 feet of the bench area.
- **REMINDER**: All credentialed photographers and videographers must wear vests provided at media check-in / will call (Gate F).
- **REMINDER**: There is no standing permitted in the North End Zone. Members of the media can sit or kneel in the North End Zone. If you wish to stand, you will need to do so in the South End Zone.

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### **Photo Workroom**

- A limited number of media members with photo/video sideline credentials will have access to a climate-controlled photo workroom on the southeast side of the stadium. All seats in this room are assigned prior to gameday.
- Only photographers that have been issued an assigned seat in the photo workroom may utilize this space.
- The photo workroom is located on the East Concourse in Section 22 next to the First Aid station and will feature wireless internet and hard-wired ports. This room may be accessed by first proceeding to the press box before taking the south elevators to the concourse level and crossing behind the south end zone through the southeast gate.
- Media members can access this location via the southeast tunnel of the stadium. You must have a sideline pass to access this area, and seats will be marked and reserved.
- Overflow photographer / videographer seating is available in the lobby area of the Robert M. Hartley Press Box.
- Reminder: The photo workroom is for photographers only. Videographers will have seats in the press box.