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Vote EMU.

YPSILANTI, Mich. (EMUeagles.com) -- The NCAA has launched the NCAA 6th Fan contest, an exciting nationwide online competition that will determine which Division I school has the most school pride and supportive fans. Eastern Michigan University fans can learn all the details at ncaa.com/6thfan, including how to win great fan prizes and how to help EMU be awarded over $100,000 in general scholarship contributions.

Eagle fans can begin voting now at ncaa.com/6thFan by casting votes directly. Votes can also be submitted to Facebook and Twitter through ncaa.com. Fans also can vote directly on Twitter by Tweeting or Retweeting the #6thFan and #EMICH hashtags.

To make it out of Round 1, in which all 345 Division I schools are competing, EMU must be among the top 16 schools in the fan voting between Jan. 7 and Feb. 16. If EMU makes it to the Sweet 16, it will be awarded $10,000 in general scholarship funds.

Once in the second round with other Sweet 16 schools, Eagle fans can compete head-to-head with other schools in a single-elimination bracket format between Feb. 17 and Feb. 23. In the third round, the Elite 8 schools will be matched up head-to-head from Feb. 24 to March 2. If EMU can survive to the fourth round, it would be among the Final Four schools to compete for fan votes from March 3 to March 9, with the top two schools competing in the fifth round between March 10 to March 16 for the 6th Fan National Championship. The winning school will be announced on
Selection Sunday, March 16, and be awarded $100,000 in general scholarship funds.

The contest also includes prizes for individual fans. An iPad Air will be awarded in each of the five rounds to a randomly chosen fan who votes via NCAA.com in that round. In addition, one randomly selected participant who registers and votes on NCAA.com will win an all-expense paid trip to the 2015 Men's Final Four in North Texas April 5-7.

“The NCAA recognizes the incredible value that our students and fans bring to the excitement of NCAA Basketball throughout the regular season,” said Dan Gavitt, NCAA vice president of men's basketball, “We know that there are thousands of loyal fans who demonstrate their passion for college basketball on a nightly basis from November through the Final Four, and this contest provides their schools an opportunity to benefit from having the most supportive fans. This contest also gives us another chance to show our fans that the madness of NCAA Basketball is not limited to March.