



## MARQUEE SPORTS NETWORK PREMIERES 'A BLUEPRINT FOR FOOTBALL'

*Program goes behind the scenes as Wrigley Field transforms into a football venue*

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CHICAGO – Marquee Sports Network tonight premieres *A Blueprint for Football*, a 30-minute special going behind the scenes to follow the transformation of Wrigley Field from a hallowed baseball ground to a modern football venue in preparation for last month's Big Ten football game between Northwestern and Purdue. *A Blueprint for Football* premieres tonight, December 9, at 7:30 p.m. CT.

Produced by Cubs Productions, the special includes archival footage showcasing the history of football at the Friendly Confines, as well as interviews with Cubs facilities associates responsible for the transformation this year, outlining each step of the process, including removing the mound, laying sod on the infield, installing field goal posts, removing the third base dugout and more.

"We're proud to premiere *A Blueprint for Football* on Marquee Sports Network as we continue to add original programming to our offseason lineup," said Marquee Sports Network General Manager, Mike McCarthy. "We look forward to continuing to showcase all that Wrigley Field has to offer, from Cubs games to football games to concerts and more."

Last month, Marquee Sports Network premiered *On the Marquee: Dead & Company*, the first of a planned series of shows highlighting concerts at the historic ballpark.

*A Blueprint for Football* is the latest addition to the Marquee Sports Network offseason programming lineup that features *Cubs 360* and *Bear Essentials* episodes, new *Cubs Classics* airing each week, bi-weekly episodes of *Off the Mound with Ryan Dempster*, monthly episodes of *Class is in Session with Doug Glanville*, the premiere of *On the Marquee: Dead & Company*, live college sporting events every week, and much more.

**ABOUT MARQUEE SPORTS NETWORK:** In partnership with the Chicago Cubs and Sinclair Broadcast Group (Nasdaq: SBGI), Marquee Sports Network brings together one of the most iconic sports franchises in the country with one of the largest television broadcasting companies to deliver unparalleled Cubs coverage, as well as additional local live sporting events and original programming. Marquee Sports Network is available within the Cubs home television territory in portions of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and Wisconsin, and is carried on more than 50 cable providers, as well as streaming platforms DIRECTV STREAM (formerly AT&T TV) and fuboTV. For more information, visit [marqueesportsnetwork.com/about](https://marqueesportsnetwork.com/about).

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