

## AU men's tennis team seeded sixth in Empire 8 Conference championships

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ROCHESTER, NY The Alfred University men's tennis team is the sixth seed for this weekend's Empire 8 Conference championship tournament, to be played Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23, in Rochester. Alfred (4-6, 1-5 Empire 8) will face third-seeded St. John Fisher in the tournament's first round, at 9 a.m. Saturday on Fisher's outdoor courts. In the event of inclement weather, the match will be moved to the Tennis Heaven indoor complex in Pittsford. If the Saxons defeat Fisher, they will advance to the semifinals to take on the winner of the first-round match between No. 2 Ithaca and No. 7 Utica, at 1 p.m. Saturday at St. John Fisher. If Alfred loses its first-round match, the Saxons will move into the consolation group, where they would take on the loser of the Ithaca-Utica match Saturday at 1 p.m. at RIT. The championship match will be played Sunday at 9 a.m. at Nazareth and the third place match (semifinal losers) is set for 9 a.m. at Fisher. In the event of poor weather, the championship and third place matches will be played at Tennis Heaven at 9 a.m. Sunday. The consolation final (fifth place match) will be played Sunday at 9 a.m. at RIT. Following are the pairings for the tournament's first round, to be played a 9 a.m. Saturday: No. 2 Ithaca vs. No. 7 Utica at Nazareth; No. 3 St. John Fisher vs. No. 6 Alfred at St. John Fisher; No. 4 RIT vs. No. 5 Hartwick at RIT. Top-seeded Nazareth has a first-round bye.