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SNAPDRAGON STADIUM

Snapdragon Stadium, known during its planning and early construction phases as Aztec Stadium, is an under-construction American football stadium in San Diego, California on the campus of San Diego State University at SDSU Mission Valley, a 166-acre (67 ha) non-contiguous expansion parcel of the university campus. The 35,000-seat stadium will serve as the home of the San Diego State Aztecs football team, which represents San Diego State University in collegiate football (NCAA). It will also be the home of the San Diego Wave FC of the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL), and the San Diego Legion of Major League Rugby (MLR). Snapdragon Stadium broke ground on August 17, 2020 and is scheduled to open on September 03, 2022 for the Aztecs' season opener versus the Arizona Wildcats.

Snapdragon Stadium is being built at the site of San Diego Stadium, which had been the home of the school's football program since the stadium opened in 1967. San Diego Stadium, also known as Jack Murphy Stadium, Qualcomm Stadium and SDCCU Stadium during its existence, also served as the home of the former San Diego Chargers of the National Football League (NFL) from 1967 through 2016, the San Diego Fleet of the Alliance of American Football (AAF) for four home games during the canceled 2019 season, and the San Diego Padres of Major League Baseball (MLB) from 1969 through 2003.

MASCOT CONTROVERSY

Like other mascots referencing historical tribes and cultures, the Aztec mascot has periodically been the topic of question. It was not cited as "hostile and abusive" by the NCAA in 2005. NCAA spokesman Erik Christianson said the organization "accepted the findings from SDSU that it could not find any organized tribe or group related to Aztecs. Then President Weber explained his findings in a letter written on April 27, 2005, to the NCAA's vice president for education services, Ron Stratten. "As I mentioned in my letter on January 03, 2003, the Aztecs are not a Native American or American Indian culture," Weber wrote, "However, the Aztecs are central to the cultural heritage of Mexico." However, the Aztec Warrior has drawn criticism.

Directly following the NCAA Native American mascot decision, the Native American Student Alliance (NASA) posted an official statement about the university mascot on their Facebook page. The statement said the mascot "embodies the existence of institutionalized racism. A student group leader at the time was quoted voicing concern about the impact of utilizing stereotypical Native clothes, breathing fire and using sacred objects to whip up the crowd. These concerns were also vocalized by NASA in their official statement, where they voiced concern about the impact of the mascot on campus life after a 2009 party hosted by the fraternity Sigma Alpha Epsilon, with the theme "Cowboys and Nava-hoes." Although the school placed the fraternity on probation, President Hirshman's statement about cultural appropriation drew attention to "...all of the performances of racialized stereotypes by faculty and students, baton twirlers in feathered headdresses, students dressed as imagined Indians, faux ceremonies, chants, songs, the names of the dorms, the names of the rooms of the new student union, t-shirts, and banners proclaiming "We Are Aztecs."

In May 2021, the senate of the university opted a vote for commission to replace the human depiction of the Aztec Warrior for at least two animals of the Kumeyaay heritage. The commission would be working alongside local tribe leaders for the decisions leading up to a final replacement mascot.

SAN DIEGO

San Diego is a city on the Pacific coast of California known for its beaches, parks and warm climate. Immense Balboa Park is the site of the renowned San Diego Zoo, as well as numerous art galleries, artist studios, museums and gardens. A deep harbor is home to a large active naval fleet, with the USS Midway, an aircraft-carrier-turned-museum, open to the public.

Day 1: Fri, Oct 07 – HONOLULU – SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA. Depart Honolulu to San Diego via Hawaiian Airlines flt #16 at 12:10 pm. Fly non-stop to San Diego and arrive at 8:45 pm. Motorcoach transfer to HANDLERY HOTEL SAN DIEGO (2 Nights)

Day 2: Sat, Oct 08 – SAN DIEGO. **GAME DAY!** Game time to be determined. Motorcoach transfer to Tailgate Party and Game; more information to follow. GO WARRIORS!!

Day 3: Sun, Oct 09 – SAN DIEGO – LAS VEGAS, NEVADA. Motorcoach Transfer from Southern California to Las Vegas with rest stops. Upon arrival at hotel, your Tour Manager will distribute room keys and meal coupons aboard the bus. Good Luck! CALIFORNIA HOTEL & CASINO (4 Nights) (Meal Coupons)

Day 4: Mon, Oct 10 – LAS VEGAS. Full day at leisure. (Meal Coupons)

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Day 6: Wed, Oct 12 – LAS VEGAS. Full day at leisure. (Meal Coupons)

Day 7: Thur, Oct 13 – LAS VEGAS – HONOLULU. Motorcoach transfer from Hotel to Airport. Depart Las Vegas via Hawaiian Airlines flt #7 at 9:15 am. Arrive Honolulu at 12:35 pm. Aloha and Welcome Home!

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