



## 2026 Match Week & SOAP<sup>®</sup> Schedule

The Match and SOAP are managed in the NRMP's Registration, Ranking, and Results<sup>®</sup> (R3<sup>®</sup>) system

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<b>MAR 16</b>	<b><u>9:30 a.m. ET</u></b>	School officials can access <i>Unmatched Applicants</i> report in R3 system (embargoed until 10:00 a.m. ET).
	<b><u>10:00 a.m. ET</u></b>	<b>Supplemental Offer and Acceptance Program<sup>®</sup> (SOAP) begins</b>  Applicants learn if they matched (by courtesy email and R3 system). SOAP-eligible unmatched and partially matched applicants can access the <i>List of Unfilled Programs</i> in the NRMP's R3 system under the SOAP tab, which will appear at the start of SOAP. NRMP is the authoritative source for applicant SOAP eligibility. The <i>List of Unfilled Programs</i> will show only programs for which the applicant is eligible based on their matched status. Each application service will display all the unfilled programs using that service for SOAP. Applicants are responsible for ensuring they apply <b>only</b> to positions for which they are eligible, as shown on the SOAP <i>List of Unfilled Programs</i> in the NRMP's R3 system.  Programs learn if they filled (by courtesy email and R3 system).  Medical schools receive <i>List of Unfilled Programs</i> (by courtesy email and R3 system).
	<b><u>11:00 a.m. ET</u></b>	SOAP applicants can start preparing applications in the application service or process required by the program. The application service required by the program will be listed on the SOAP <i>List of Unfilled Programs</i> . <b><u>Applicants and their representatives CANNOT communicate with a program until contacted by that program.</u></b>
<b>MAR 17</b>	<b><u>8:00 a.m. ET</u></b>	Programs begin reviewing SOAP applications via their designated application service. Programs may contact applicants upon receipt of an application and begin interviewing.  <b>SOAP-<i>ineligible</i> applicants can apply to and contact non-SOAP-/non-Match-participating programs.</b>
	<b><u>11:30 a.m. ET</u></b>	Programs may begin creating SOAP preference lists in the R3 system (applicants do not submit a preference list for SOAP).
<b>MAR 18</b>		Programs continue reviewing applications, conducting interviews, and creating/certifying SOAP preference lists in the R3 system.
<b>MAR 19</b>	<b><u>8:00 a.m. ET</u></b>	<b>Medical school confidential Match results reports and Match notification letters available in R3 system.</b>

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### SOAP Round 1

- 8:55 a.m. ET Deadline to certify program preference list for Round 1 offers.
- 9:00 a.m. ET Applicants receive Round 1 offers by logging in to R3 system.  
SOAP-*Ineligible* applicants may begin accepting offers from non-SOAP-/non- Match-participating programs.
- Medical schools can view the *SOAP Schools Report* (updated in real time) to track students/graduates.
- 11:00 a.m. ET Applicant deadline to accept/reject Round 1 offers.  
*List of Unfilled Programs* updated in R3 system.

### SOAP Round 2

- 11:55 a.m. ET Deadline to modify and re-certify program preference list for Round 2 offers.
- 12:00 p.m. ET Applicants receive Round 2 offers.
- 2:00 p.m. ET Applicant deadline to accept/reject Round 2 offers.  
*List of Unfilled Programs* updated in R3 system.
- Program *Confidential Roster of Matched Applicants* available (by courtesy email and R3 system).

### SOAP Round 3

- 2:55 p.m. ET Deadline to modify and re-certify program preference list for Round 3 offers.
- 3:00 p.m. ET Applicants receive Round 3 offers.
- 5:00 p.m. ET Applicant deadline to accept/reject Round 3 offers.  
*List of Unfilled Programs* updated in R3 system.

### SOAP Round 4

- 5:55 p.m. ET Deadline to modify and re-certify program preference list for Round 4 offers.
- 6:00 p.m. ET Applicants receive Round 4 offers.
- 8:00 p.m. ET Applicant deadline to accept/reject Round 4 offers.
- 8:30 p.m. ET Programs update their number of remaining unfilled positions on the *List of Unfilled Programs*.

### 9:00 p.m. ET SOAP ends

*List of Unfilled Programs*, updated to include unfilled programs not participating in SOAP, is available from R3 system top menu bar to all unmatched and partially matched applicants. Applicants can begin contacting all remaining unfilled programs. Programs can update the *List of Unfilled Programs* as positions are filled.

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**10:00 a.m. ET**

Confidential *Advance Data Tables* reports available to medical schools, programs, and institutions.

**12:00 p.m. ET**

**Match Day!**

Applicant Match results available (by email and R3 system).

Medical school Match Day ceremonies.

*Advance Data Tables* available at [www.nrmp.org](http://www.nrmp.org).

*Program Match Results by Ranked Applicant and SOAP Programs Preferred Applicants* available.

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**11:59 p.m. ET**

*List of Unfilled Programs* no longer available in the R3 system.