Appalachian State University women's basketball will be making its second-consecutive postseason appearance and playing in its first Women's National Invitation Tournament since 1987 as the Mountaineers will take on Southeastern Conference foe South Carolina in the opening round of the WNIT.

ASU will battle the Gamecocks, Wednesday March 16 at USC's Colonial Life Arena, with game time set to be announced by Tuesday afternoon.

The Black and Gold posted yet another banner season under head coach Darcie Vincent, as the Apps captured their first regular season Southern Conference title since the 1995-96 season and advanced to the SoCon Tournament championship game for the first time since 1999, before falling just short to Samford.

No strangers to postseason action, ASU captured the inaugural Women's Basketball Invitational crown in 2010, as the squad defeated Charleston Southern, Fairfield, College of Charleston and Memphis.

South Carolina closed out its 2010-11 regular season with a 17-14 overall record and an even 8-8 mark in SEC play. The Gamecocks 8-8 record was good enough for the team to finish fifth in the regular season standings. USC defeated Ole Miss in the opening round of the SEC Tournament, before dropping a 66-34 decision to Georgia in the quarterfinal round.

The matchup between the Apps and Gamecocks marks the 15th in the series between the two teams with South Carolina holding the 10-4 all-time series lead. The two squads have never met in postseason action.

The last time the two teams played each other was back during the 2003-04 season when the Black and Gold suffered an 82-66 loss. One of ASU's wins in the series has come on South Carolina's home floor and that was back during the 1987-88 campaign, when ASU picked up a 68-66 victory.

If Appalachian would win, the Mountaineers would face the winner of the Charlotte/Liberty game which is also being played on March 16.

Wednesday night's game will tip-off at 7 pm, and our coverage begins 6:30 pm on AM 1450, WATA.