

## Will They Stay, Or Will They Go?

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Like Hamlet, "To be, or not to be. That's the question. The answer, well right now, nobody knows. On Friday, the Colonial Athletic Association, which will lose member schools Old Dominion (Conference USA), Virginia Commonwealth (Atlantic 10) and Georgia State (which will join the Football Bowl Subdivision in April) after the 2012-13 season, made a formal invitation to Davidson, College of Charleston and Appalachian State---yes, ASU, to become league members. The CAA is eagerly looking for new members, and what better place to look, but at one of its biggest rivals---the Southern Conference. The CAA has not been shy about approaching the Southern Conference and its member schools. The CAA initially extended an invitation to Davidson and the College of Charleston to join the league back on May 17. Furman and Elon joined the conversation a short while later. In turn, the Southern Conference is giving its member schools contacted by the CAA until July 4 to make a decision either way. Stay tuned, the drama just keeps growing....and in an era, where teams are jumping from conference to conference, it's become a normal day of life in college athletics. And look at it this way, if nothing happens, it makes for good conversation and gossip.