

John Calipari's 'Cal Cast' podcast features conversation with rival Rick Pitino

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NEW YORK – In a new episode of the "Cal Cast" podcast, host John Calipari, University of Kentucky men's basketball head coach, talks with rival head coach Rick Pitino.

"Cal Cast" is a weekly show featuring conversations between Calipari and top personalities from sports, business and entertainment.

Pitino is the head coach for men's basketball at the University of Louisville, and, like Calipari, is an inductee in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. His impressive coaching career includes two NCAA national championships and seven appearances in the Final Four. Pitino is one of only two coaches in history (Calipari is the other) who has taken three different schools to the NCAA Men's Basketball Division I Final Four.

In the episode, Pitino talks about his perceived rivalry with Calipari, how he got his start as a coach, the greatest mentor in his life and his view on responsibility and accountability as a head coach.

"My conversation with Rick was great," said Calipari. "Everyone is shocked that we sat down and had this conversation. Even my wife couldn't believe it!"

The episode is available now via <u>iTunes</u>, Stitcher, SoundCloud, Google Play and other podcast platforms. New episodes of "Cal Cast," which is produced in partnership with Midroll, are available each Thursday.

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About John Calipari

John Calipari is the head coach of men's basketball at the University of Kentucky. He led the Kentucky Wildcats to the 2012 national championship, and the team has been to a total of six NCAA Final Four appearances in his career, including four in a five-year period. He was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 2015. Calipari is a New York Times Bestselling author and recently released his latest book, "Success is the Only Option."

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