

# ***NATIONAL TENPINS COACHES ASSOCIATION***

*“NCAA bowling – there’s nothing like it!”*

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## **IT’S UNANIMOUS, FDU IS NO. 1 IN NTCA MARCH POLL**

NASHVILLE, TN -- **Fairleigh Dickinson University** of Teaneck, NJ, winner of the 2010 NCAA national championship, was ranked by the membership of the National Tenpins Coaches Association as the top ranked team for the second consecutive poll and third time this season. The NTCA conducts monthly polls during the regular NCAA bowling season, ranking the Top-20 teams. This poll was the fourth of five polls scheduled for the 2010-11 season, and 27 members participated.

**FDU** is the third team to be unanimously ranked No. 1 by the NTCA, which started conducting national ranking polls in January of 2004. The **University of Nebraska** of Lincoln, NE received the honor twice in back-to-back polls at the end of the 2005-06 season. **Vanderbilt University** of Nashville, TN was honored in the first poll of the 2008-09 season.

This season the **FDU Knights** (86-17, 0.835) have been on a tear since the beginning of the Spring semester. During the last evaluation period, **FDU** won 15 of 17 matches, including the title match of the 2011 Eastern College Athletic Conference Invitational in Elmwood Park, NJ. The **Knights** also clinched the regular season title of the Northeast Conference by winning eight of nine matches during the final conference meet in Howell, NJ. It was **FDU’s** fifth team title of the season.

The remainder of the Top-10 includes all of the same teams from the last poll. Holding onto second and third place were the **University of Maryland Eastern Shore** of Princess Anne, MD and the **University of Central Missouri** of Warrensburg, MO, respectively. Since the last poll, the **UMES Hawks** (91-28, 0.765) went 18-3, won the USBC Sectional championship in Euless, TX last weekend, the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference regular season title in Millsboro, DE the weekend before that, and finished second in the 19-team Morgan State Invitational in Perry Hall, MD. The **UCM Jennies** (57-21, 0.731) went 10-3 and finished second at the 12-team Holiday Collegiate Classic in Bessemer, AL in their only competition since the last poll.

The teams ranked in the next two spots traded places. Moving up to fourth place was **Vanderbilt University**. The **Commodores** (71-34, 0.676) went 21-4, won their second tournament of the season in Bessemer, AL, and finished third in Perry Hall, MD. In fifth place was the **University of Nebraska**. Despite winning the tournament championship in Perry Hall, the **Huskers** (52-17, 0.754) slipped a spot after an uncharacteristic eighth place finish in Bessemer.

Moving up a rung to sixth places was **New Jersey City University** of Jersey City, NJ (83-33, 0.716). Moving up to seventh was **Kutztown University** of Kutztown, PA (83-28, 0.748). Sliding down a couple of places to eighth was **Arkansas State University** of Jonesboro, AR (51-21, 0.708). **Sam Houston State University** of Huntsville, AL (59-29, 0.671) climbed to ninth and **Sacred Heart University** of Fairfield, CT (64-30, 0.681) fell to tenth.

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<b>Rank</b>	<b>Institution, City, State</b>	<b>Season Record W - L</b>	<b>1st Place Votes</b>	<b>Adjusted Point Standings</b>	<b>Previously Ranked</b>
1.	Fairleigh Dickinson University, <i>Teaneck, NJ</i>	86 – 17	27	800	1
2.	Univ. of Maryland Eastern Shore, <i>Princess Anne, MD</i>	91 – 28		705	2
3.	University of Central Missouri, <i>Warrensburg, MO</i>	57 – 21		669	3
4.	Vanderbilt University, <i>Nashville, TN</i>	71 – 34		613	5
5.	University of Nebraska, <i>Lincoln, NE</i>	52 – 17		543	4
6.	New Jersey City University, <i>Jersey City, NJ</i>	83 – 33		485	7
7.	Kutztown University, <i>Kutztown, PA</i>	83 – 28		471	8
8.	Arkansas State University, <i>Jonesboro, AR</i>	51 – 21		417	6
9.	Sam Houston State University, <i>Huntsville, TX</i>	59 – 29		407	10
10.	Sacred Heart University, <i>Fairfield, CT</i>	64 – 30		405	9
11.	Valparaiso University, <i>Valparaiso, IN</i>	48 – 37		235	12
12.	Adelphi University, <i>Garden City, NY</i>	73 – 46		224	13
13.	Stephen F. Austin University, <i>Nacogdoches, TX</i>	47 – 34		199	14
14.	Delaware State University, <i>Dover, DE</i>	59 – 45		177	16
15.	St. Francis College, <i>Brooklyn Heights, NY</i>	65 – 46		148	15
16.	Alabama A&M University, <i>Huntsville, AL</i>	53 – 26		140	11
17.	Norfolk State University, <i>Norfolk, VA</i>	62 – 46		102	17
18.	University of Wisconsin, <i>Whitewater, WI</i>	22 – 20		74	18
19.	Minnesota State University, <i>Mankato, MN</i>	26 – 34		33	--
20.	Bowie State University, <i>Bowie, MD</i>	76 – 30		22	--

### **Also receiving points:**

St. Peter’s College, *Jersey City, NJ*; Fayetteville State University, *Fayetteville, NC*; Florida A&M University, *Tallahassee, FL*; Long Island University, *Brooklyn, NY*; Prairie View A&M University, *Prairie View, TX*.

### **Point system:**

NTCA voters rank the top 20 teams on their ballot. Each position has a designated point value, ranging from 32 points for first place and one point for twentieth place. To be ranked teams need to equal or surpass the minimum vote criteria, which is one vote for every eight ballots submitted. In this poll, three votes were necessary. The actual ranking position is determined by using the adjusted point standings, which lists in priority order the total points a school has accumulated after the highest and lowest votes are dropped.

The specific point values are: **1st place = 32 points, 2nd = 29, 3rd = 27, 4th = 25, 5th = 23, 6th = 21, 7th = 19, 8th = 17, 9th = 15, 10th = 13, 11th = 11, 12th = 9, 13th = 8, 14th = 7, 15th = 6, 16th = 5, 17th = 4, 18th = 3, 19th = 2, 20th = 1.**

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