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2012-13 NTCA MARCH NATIONAL POLL

NASHVILLE, TN -- The Nebraska Cornhuskers are the No. 1 rated team in the March poll of the National Ten Pin Coaches Association. The jump to first comes after a dominating performance at the Ozark Invitational and winning three of their last four tournaments.

The Huskers received 14 of the 23 first place votes cast. This allowed them to edge ahead of top spot contender of 3 months, Central Missouri. The Jennies received five first place votes. Third-place Maryland-Eastern Shore was listed first on six ballots, finishing the season strong winning the MEAC Northern Division.

Voters seem to have their top eight teams locked in, as the fourth through eight place poll results have remained constant.

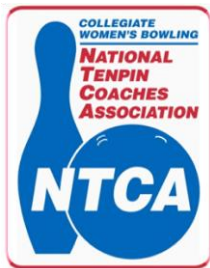
Arkansas State and Vanderbilt were fourth and fifth followed by Wisconsin-Whitewater. Sam Houston State and Fairleigh Dickinson come in the poll in seventh and eighth respectively.

Stephen F. Austin debuted in the Top 10 for the first time this year, appearing at No. 9. They have replaced Adelphi, which fell to 14th. The St. Francis University (Pa) Red Flash held their No. 10 rank.

Norfolk State made the biggest move in the second 10, jumping from 14th place in February to 11th place currently. Following this, the remaining teams in the second 10 have only made minor shifts in placing.

Eighteen of the Top 20 will be in action this weekend at the Columbia 300 Music City Classic in Nashville.

The next NTCA poll will come in early April



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Rank	Institution, City, State	Season Record W - L	1st Place Votes	Adjusted Point Standings	Previously Ranked
1.	University of Nebraska, <i>Lincoln, NE</i>	61-15	14	698	3
2.	University of Central Missouri, <i>Warrensburg, MO</i>	86-20	5	657	1
3.	Univ. of Maryland Eastern Shore, <i>Princess Anne, MD</i>	89-19	6	646	2
4.	Arkansas State University, <i>Jonesboro, AR</i>	74-26		595	3
5.	Vanderbilt University, <i>Nashville, TN</i>	75-35		523	5
6.	University of Wisconsin Whitewater, <i>Whitewater, WI</i>	58-28		455	6
7.	Sam Houston State University, <i>Huntsville, TX</i>	86-32		417	8
8.	Fairleigh Dickinson University, <i>Teaneck, NJ</i>	63-29		411	7
9.	Stephen F. Austin, <i>Nacogdoches, TX</i>	57-34		308	11
10.	Saint Francis University, <i>Loretto, PA</i>	60-27		293	12
11.	Norfolk State University, <i>Norfolk, VA</i>	50-29		244	14
12.	Sacred Heart University, <i>Fairfield, CT</i>	56-38		221	13
13.	Kutztown University, <i>Reading, PA</i>	73-39		209	10
14.	Adelphi University, <i>Garden City, NY</i>	65-32		195	9
15.	Long Island University, <i>Brooklyn, NY</i>	55-44		116	16
16.	Valparaiso University, <i>Valparaiso, IN</i>	54-59		110	15
17.	New Jersey City University, <i>Jersey City, NJ</i>	52-39		100	17
18t.	Saint Francis College, <i>Brooklyn Heights, NY</i>	57-63		47	18
18t.	Delaware State University, <i>Dover, DE</i>	40-41		47	20
20.	Bethune-Cookman University, <i>Daytona Beach, FL</i>	53-48		20	19

Also receiving points:

Monmouth University, *West Long Branch, NJ*; Alabama State University, *Montgomery, AL*;
North Carolina A&T University, *Greensboro, NC*

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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