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Maryland-Eastern Shore Tops Final NTCA Poll

NASHVILLE---Defending NCAA champion Maryland-Eastern Shore tops the final regular season National Ten Pin Coaches Association poll, the first time this season it has held the top position.

The Hawks (*111-20; 724 points*) won the Columbia 300 Music City Invitational and the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference championship during March to push past Nebraska (*69-22; 694 points*), which fell into second place in the voting after a fourth place finish at the 29-team Music City.

Central Missouri (*97-23; 689 points*), which had led this poll for several months in the middle of the season after winning four events, ended in third place, comfortably ahead of Arkansas State (*86-28; 604 points*) and Vanderbilt (*85-38; 550 points*), which maintained their fourth and fifth places.

Sam Houston State (*97-36; 478 points*) and Wisconsin-Whitewater (*66-34; 468 points*) traded places for sixth and seventh place and Fairleigh Dickinson (*72-37; 408 points*) stayed in the eighth spot. The top eight rankings mirror the recent NCAA announcement for this week's national championship in Canton, Mich.

Stephen F. Austin (*66-39; 330 points*) kept the No. 9 position but Adelphi (*79-37; 308 points*) leaped from 14th after winning the Northeast Conference Tournament to complete the poll's Top 10.

The second 10 bears a strong resemblance to March's poll with only Alabama A&M the only newcomer, finishing in a tie for 20th place with Bethune-Cookman.

The last NTCA Poll will come out a week following the NCAA Championships



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Rank	Institution, City, State	Season Record W - L	1st Place Votes	Adjusted Point Standings	Previously Ranked
1.	Univ. of Maryland Eastern Shore, <i>Princess Anne, MD</i>	111-20	15	724	3
2.	University of Nebraska, <i>Lincoln, NE</i>	69-22	5	694	1
3.	University of Central Missouri, <i>Warrensburg, MO</i>	97-23	6	689	2
4.	Arkansas State University, <i>Jonesboro, AR</i>	86-28		604	3
5.	Vanderbilt University, <i>Nashville, TN</i>	85-38		550	5
6.	Sam Houston State University, <i>Huntsville, TX</i>	97-36		478	7
7.	University of Wisconsin Whitewater, <i>Whitewater, WI</i>	66-34		468	6
8.	Fairleigh Dickinson University, <i>Teaneck, NJ</i>	72-37		408	8
9.	Stephen F. Austin, <i>Nacogdoches, TX</i>	66-39		330	19
10.	Adelphi University, <i>Garden City, NY</i>	79-37		308	14
11.	Saint Francis University, <i>Loretto, PA</i>	67-35		256	10
12.	Kutztown University, <i>Reading PA</i>	72-40		201	13
13.	Sacred Heart University, <i>Fairfield, CT</i>	62-46		190	12
14.	Norfolk State University, <i>Norfolk, VA</i>	61-33		182	11
15.	Valparaiso Univeristy, <i>Valparaiso, IN</i>	60-67		124	15
16.	New Jersey City University, <i>Jersey City, NJ</i>	62-47		119	17
17.	LIU Brooklyn, <i>Brooklyn, NY</i>	53-43		105	16
18.	Saint Francis College, <i>Brooklyn Heights, NY</i>	69-69		61	18t
19.	Delaware State University, <i>Dover, DE</i>	58-58		27	18t
20t.	Bethune-Cookman University, <i>Daytona Beach, FL</i>	61-64		14	20
20t.	Alabama A&M University, <i>Huntsville, AL</i>	45-41		14	NR

Also receiving points:

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