The National Tenpin Coaches Association Announces the 2013-2014 Pre-Season Poll

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<u>Nebraska No. 1 in Pre-Season Poll</u>
NASHVILLE—Defending national champion Nebraska tops the 2013-14 pre-season poll conducted by the National Ten Pin Coaches Association.

The Cornhuskers received 19 of the 26 first place votes to tally 744 poll points, well ahead of second place Vanderbilt, who was last year's national runner-up. The Commodores received two first-place votes and had 671 points.

Central Missouri, which was No. 1 much of last season, came in third and received three first-place ballots while Arkansas State was fourth after receiving the other two first-place votes. Maryland-Eastern Shore was fifth.

Rounding out the Top 10 were Sam Houston State, Fairleigh Dickinson, Wisconsin-Whitewater, Stephen F. Austin and Adelphi. The NTCA poll ranked 20 programs

2013-2014 NTCA PRE-SEASON POLL

Rank	Institution, City, State	Season Record W - L	1st Place Votes	Adjusted Point Standing	Previously Ranked
1.	University of Nebraska, *Lincoln, NE*	0-0	19	744	
2.	Vanderbilt University, *Nashville, TN*	0-0	2	671	
3.	University of Central Missouri, *Warrensburg, MO*	0-0	3	616	
4.	Arkansas State University, *Jonesboro, AR*	0-0	2	597	
5.	University of Maryland Eastern Shore, *Princess Anne, MD*	0-0		594	
6.	Sam Houston State University, *Huntsville, TX*	0-0		478	
7.	Fairleigh Dickinson University, *Teaneck, NJ*	0-0		458	
8.	University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, WI	0-0		430	
9.	Stephen F. Austin, *Nacogdoches, TX*	0-0		362	
10.	St. Francis University, *Loretto, PA*	0-0		245	
11.	Adelphi University, *Garden City, NY*	0-0		244	
12.	Kutztown University, Kutztown, PA	0-0		233	
13.	Sacred Heart University, *Fairfield, CT*	0-0		220	
14.	Valparaiso University, *Valparaiso, IN*	0-0		161	
15.	Norfolk State University, *Norfolk, VA*	0-0		147	
16.	LIU Brooklyn, Brooklyn, NY	0-0		111	
17.	Saint Francis Brooklyn University, *Brooklyn Hieghts, NY*	0-0		48	
18.	New Jersey City University, *Jersey City, NJ*	0-0		45	
19.	Prairie View A&M University, *Prairie View, TX*	0-0		43	
20.	Bethune Cookman University, *Daytona Beach, FL*	0-0		39	

Also receiving points:

Monmouth University, *West Long Branch, NJ;* Delaware State University, *Dover, DE*; McKendree University, *St. Louis, MO*; North Carolina A&T, *Greensboro, NC*; Alabama A&M University, *Huntsville, AL* Alabama State University, *Montgomery, AL;* Bowie State University, *Bowie, MD*

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. Teams are ranked using the adjusted total point standings, after the highest and lowest votes are dropped. The specific point values follow:

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.