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Defending national champion Nebraska tops the pre-season poll conducted by the National Ten Pin Coaches Association, the official poll of NCAA Bowling.

The Cornhuskers earned 17 of the poll's 25 first-place votes to easily out-distance second place Arkansas State, who tallied five first-place votes. Stephen F. Austin, last year's national runner-up, came in third with a pair of first-place votes, just ahead of Fairleigh Dickinson, who got the remaining first place vote. Vanderbilt was fifth to round out the Top 5.

Sam Houston State, Wisconsin-Whitewater, Central Missouri, McKendree and North Carolina A\&T round out the Top 10. This is Mckendree's highest ranking in their short NCAA program history.

The National Ten Pin Coaches Association is comprised of head coaches at NCAA member institutions. The poll was conducted in late September, and released on the first day of practice for NCAA teams, October 1. This is the first poll the National Tenpin Coaches Association has ranked 25 schools which will continue at the beginning of the month in December, February, March, April and a final poll after the NCAA championship.

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|  |  | Season <br> Record W-L | 1st Place Votes | Adjusted Point Standing | Previously Ranked |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | University of Nebraska, Lincoln, $N E$ | 0-0 | 17 | 941 | 1 |
| 2. | Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR | 0-0 | 5 | 865 | 4 |
| 3. | Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX | 0-0 | 2 | 844 | 2 |
| 4. | Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, NJ | 0-0 | 1 | 827 | 3 |
| 5. | Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN | 0-0 | 0-0 | 757 | 3827 |
| 6. | Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX | 0-0 |  | 719 | 5 |
| 7. | University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, WI | 0-0 |  | 655 | 6 |
| 8. | University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, MO | 0-0 |  | 587 | 8 |
| 9. | McKendree University, Lebanon, IL | 0-0 |  | 577 | 11 |
| 10. | North Carolina A\&T, Greensboro, NC $^{\text {a }}$ | 0-0 |  | 543 | 9 |
| 11. | University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Princess Anne, MD | 0-0 |  | 539 | 10 |
| 12. | St. Francis University, Loretto, PA | 0-0 |  | 417 | 12 |
| 13. | Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT | 0-0 |  | 391 | 13 |
| 14. | LIU Brooklyn, Brooklyn, NY | 0-0 |  | 363 | 14 |
| 15. | Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN | 0-0 |  | 258 | 16 |
| 16. | Saint Francis Brooklyn College, Brooklyn Hieghts, NY | 0-0 |  | 247 | 15 |
| 17. | Delaware State University, Dover, DE | 0-0 |  | 201 | 17 |
| 18. | Kutztown University, Kutztown, PA | 0-0 |  | 182 | 19 |
| 19. | Tulane University, New Orleans, LA | 0-0 |  | 151 | NR |
| 20. | Norfolk State University, Norfolk, VA | 0-0 |  | 136 | 18 |
| 21. | Prairie View A\&M University, Prairie View, TX | 0-0 |  | 90 | NR |
| 22. | Adelphi University, Garden City, NY | 0-0 |  | 78 | NR |
| 23. | Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ | 0-0 |  | 69 | NR |
| 24. | Bowie State University, Bowie, MD | 0-0 |  | 36 | NR |
| 25. | Alabama State University, Montgomery, $A L$ | 0-0 |  | 26 | NR |

## Also receiving points:

Franklin Pierce University, Rindge, NH; Jackson State University, Jackson, MS; Felician College, Lodi, NJ; Cheyney University, Cheyney, PA; Bethune Cookman University, Daytona Beach, FL; Texas Southern University, Houston, TX; Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, NC; Virginia State University, Petersburg, VA; Virginia Union University, Richmond, VA; Alabama A\&M University, Huntsville, AL

## 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 $=42$ points, $2 n d=39$, 3 rd $=37$, 4 th $=35,5$ th $=33,6$ th $=31,7$ th $=29,8$ th $=27,9$ th $=25$, 10th $=23$, 11th $=21$, $12 t h=19,13 t h=17,14 t h=15,15 t h=13,16 t h=11,17 t h=9,18 t h=8,19 t h=7,20 t h=6,21^{\text {st }}=5,22^{\text {nd }}=4,23^{\text {rd }}=3,24^{\text {th }}=2,25^{\text {th }}=1$.

